

**MINUTES  
AZLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
March 20, 2018**

STATE OF TEXAS           §  
COUNTIES OF           §  
PARKER AND TARRANT   §  
CITY OF AZLE           §

The City Council of the City of Azle, Texas convened into Regular Session at 6:15 P.M. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 613 Southeast Parkway, Azle, Texas, on the 20th day of March 2018 with the following members present:

Alan Brundrett	Mayor
Bill Jones	Mayor Pro-tem
William Chambers	Council Members
David McClure	
Christopher Simpson	
Rouel Rothenberger	

Absent: Lee Barrett

Also present was:

Tom Muir	City Manager
Lawrence Bryant	Assistant City Manager
Susie Hiles	Assistant to the City Manager
Yael Forgey	City Secretary
Cara White	City Attorney
Rick Pippins	Police Chief
Bill Russell	Police Lieutenant – Support Services
Kevin Rogers	Police Lieutenant – Patrol Division
Jimmy Duval	Storm Water Manager/Streets Superintendent
Kyle Culwell	Parks Superintendent

The following items were considered in accordance with the official agenda posted on the 16th day of March 2018.

**REGULAR SESSION**

6:15 P.M.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Brundrett called the regular session to order at 6:20 P.M.

**INVOCATION**

Chris Brown - Youth Pastor First Baptist Church - Azle gave the invocation.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Brundrett led the Pledge of Allegiance

**PRESENTATION**

**1. Proclamations proclaiming the Week of April 8-14, 2018 as:**

- National Library Week
- National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week

Mayor Brundrett read and presented Proclamations to Dispatch and Library employees, thanking them for their service to the city and the surrounding community.

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**2. Presentation of the Azle PD Officer Badge and administer the Oath of Office to Peace Officers  
Thomas Gilbert, Robin York and Joe White**

Mayor Brundrett recognized Lt. Russell and Lt. Rogers who gave a brief biography of the newly hired peace officers.

**Officer Robin York** - grew up in Canton, Ohio, moved to Texas when she was 19. She worked for the Irving Police Department for 34 years. Officer York is married to Tim York for 21 years and has 2 children and 3 grandkids. Her husband Tim pinned the badge on her.

**Officer Thomas Gilbert** – was born in Chicago, moved to Texas and graduated for Haltom High School. He started his career as a firefighter, EMT and Jailer before becoming a Police Officer at the Tarrant County College District. His wife Lynette Stilwell and his daughter Isabella pinned the badge on him.

**Officer Joe White** – was born and raised in North Richland Hills, Texas. He joined the Air Force in 1978 and served for 4 years and was honorably discharged in 1982. He started his law enforcement career in 1984 and worked at the Tarrant County Sheriff's Department. Officer White retired in 2015 after 30 years of service. He has been married to Roxann for 29 years and they have 14 children and 6 grandchildren. His sister-in-law Dana Dowdle pinned his badge.

Mayor Brundrett swore-in Peace Officers York, Gilbert and White in a ceremonial tribute noting that they had been officially sworn in and have been serving the City of Azle since their hire-in date.

**3. Board Presentation – Crime Control and Prevention District**

Mayor Brundrett recognized Chief Pippins who gave an in-depth review of the Board's activities noting the current 2017-2018 budget approved by the Board and Council, funds Azle Police Department and Azle Fire Marshal's equipment, programs and personnel at \$532,809 and \$45,881, respectively. CCPD funds also support the Lena Pope Home program, the Alliance for Children, Azle Lake Run, Relay for Life, Project Graduation, Shattered Dreams, National Night Out, Neighborhood Watch, Citizen's Police Academy, Police Explorer Post, Music/Movie in the Park, Police Officer's Memorial and more.

**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION**

**Jeffry Parker – 824 Lake Crest** – requested the council consider traffic control devices on High Crest as drivers are now speeding down this street since stop signs were removed.

**Thomas Brace – 300 N. Broadway**- addressed the council on the deer nuisance issue in the city and suggested an ordinance be passed prohibiting feeding the deer.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**4. Consider any action on approving the Minutes of the March 6, 2018 Regular Council meeting.**

**5. Consider any action on accepting the resignation of Carol Presnell from the Library Board Place 4.**

Councilmember Rothenberger moved to approve Consent Agenda Items 4 and 5 as presented. Mayor Pro-tem Jones seconded the motion.

The vote is as follows:

Ayes: Brundrett, Chambers, McClure, Jones, Simpson and Rothenberger

Nays:

Abstentions:

Mayor Brundrett declared the motion carried unanimously 6:0:0

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**ACTION ITEM**

**6. Consider any action regarding matching a \$5,000 donation for park improvements.**

In December 2017, Tom Brace and family donated \$5000 to the City to fund some improvements in Central Park and they're requesting the city match this amount. The initial improvements include a bench, two trees, tetherball and a bridge over a drainage channel. The additional \$5,000 will fund three (3) picnic grills adjacent to the recently installed tables near the Skateboard Park and cost to convert the shuffleboard court into a pickle ball court. The total cost for the additional items is \$5150.

Mayor pro-tem Jones moved to approve the expenditure of \$5150 to match the Brace Family's donation for park improvements. Councilmember Rothenberger seconded the motion.

The vote is as follows:

Ayes: Brundrett, Chambers, McClure, Jones, Simpson and Rothenberger

Nays:

Abstentions:

Mayor Brundrett declared the motion carried unanimously 6:0:0

**7. Consider any action regarding Ordinance No. 2018-05 amending the Stormwater Ordinance.**

Mayor Brundrett recognized Storm Water Manager Jimmy Duvall who explained the reason for this amendment is to keep our storm water permit in compliance with state requirements.

Mayor pro-tem Jones moved to approve Ordinance No. 2018-05 as presented. Councilmember McClure seconded the motion.

The vote is as follows:

Ayes: Brundrett, McClure, Jones, Simpson and Rothenberger

Nays: Chambers

Abstentions:

Mayor Brundrett declared the motion carried 5:1:0

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**8. Discuss proposed Special Events Ordinance.**

Mayor Brundrett recognized Chief Pippins who gave the Council a brief review on the proposed ordinance noting the main purpose of this ordinance is to have a written process/permit for special events in the City.

**Marie Kisner - 6935 Allyn Drive** – addressed the council on her concern regarding the proposed ordinance, pointing out that for small events it will be very hard to comply with all the restrictions requested in the proposed ordinance.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Brundrett convened into Executive Session at 7:57 p.m.

The Council will convene into executive session pursuant to the Texas Government Code as authorized by:

**SECTION 551.074 PERSONNEL MATTERS**

Deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of City Manager.

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Mayor Brundrett reconvened to open meeting at 9:23 p.m. No action was taken

**MAYOR/COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST**

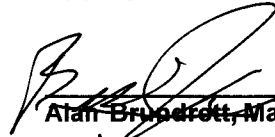
04/6-7/18 Servolution Good Neighbors Blitz  
03/24/2018 Animal Shelter Adoption Event at Russell Feed, 1312 NW Parkway, Azle

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Brundrett adjourned the meeting at 9:23 PM.

**PRESENTED AND APPROVED this the 17th day of April 2018.**

**APPROVED:**

  
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Alan Brundrett, Mayor pro tem  
Bill Jones

**ATTEST:**

  
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Yael Forgey, City Secretary.