

Minutes
Called Meeting of Pittsburg City Council
7:00 P. M., March 24, 2008
City Hall, 200 Rusk Street

Councilmembers Present:

Mayor	Shawn Kennington
Mayor Pro-Tem	D.C. Moore
	Fred Cook
	Sue Sharp
	Barbara Ford

Councilmembers Absent: Kendal Burns

City Staff Present:

City Manager	Jim Blanchard
City Secretary	Margaret Jackson
City Attorney	Mike Setty
Chief Building Official	Wayne Hadderton
Street Supervisor	J.D. McElhaney
Police Chief	Martin Pessink

Pittsburg Gazette	Susan Taft
Mt. Pleasant Daily Tribune	Ashley Tompkins

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kennington called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and welcomed all present.

2. INVOCATION

Mayor Kennington gave the invocation.

3. PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVAL

- 3.1 Public Hearing and considered for approval \$70,000 to Northeast Texas Community College toward purchase of downtown building located at 114 Jefferson Street (Our Place).

Councilmember Cook made a motion to approve EDC action of \$70,000 towards the College to be paid out of EDC. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sharp and carried unanimously.

- 3.2 Public Hearing and considered for approval \$2,569.90 plus closing costs, title search, etc., to purchase downtown building located at 146 Quitman Street (Modern Barber Shop).

Councilmember Sharp made a motion to approve EDC action of estimated \$1,220 for closing costs and between \$30,000 and \$40,000 to bring the building up to code. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cook and carried unanimously.

- 3.3 Public Hearing and considered for approval a Resolution Declaring a Violation of the City Code of Ordinance Chapter 3 Article 3.1100 exists on the following:

Ma Madison LTD
322 Franklin Street
East half of Lot 25 Blk 46

Councilmember Sharp made a motion to table until May meeting unless Charles Taylor (owner) can convince Wayne Hadderton it will cost less than fifty percent to bring building back to code. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Moore and carried unanimously.

4. CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS

- 4.1 Discussed and considered for approval an Interlocal Agreement for lease of space by and between the City of Pittsburg and the Texas Forest Service.

Councilmember Moore made a motion to approve a three-year lease. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cook and carried unanimously.

- 4.2 Considered for approval an agreement with Traylor & Associates for grant management services for the 2008 Texas Community Development Block Grant Program.

Councilmember Sharp made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cook and carried unanimously.

- 4.3 Considered for approval an agreement for Infrastructure Project, Texas Capital Fund #727202 between East Texas Medical Center and the City of Pittsburg.

Councilmember Moore made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sharp and carried unanimously.

5. ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

- 5.1 Considered for approval on second reading an Ordinance amending prior Ordinances concerning the City of Pittsburg providing water, wastewater tap fees and other fees.

Councilmember Sharp made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Moore and carried unanimously.

- 5.2 Considered for approval a Resolution requesting East Texas Medical Center to contract with UnitedHealthcare options PPO to allow network access through TML Intergovernmental Employee Benefits Pool.

Councilmember Moore made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Ford and carried unanimously.

6. CITY IN GENERAL

- 6.1 Discussed and considered for approval to provide Roy Green water service and annexation.

Councilmember Cook made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Moore and carried unanimously.

- 6.2 Discussed and considered for approval a request from the County of Camp to partner with the City of Pittsburg for wastewater disposal for Broach Park.

Councilmember Moore made a motion to table. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Ford and carried unanimously.

- 6.3 Discussed and considered for approval guidelines for drafting an Ordinance on Load Zone Rentals.

Councilmember Moore made a motion instructing staff to draft an Ordinance on Load Zone Rentals. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cook and carried unanimously.

- 6.4 Discussed and considered for approval a request from Vernon Holcomb for Habitat for Humanity for a lot on the south corner of West and Stamps Streets to be donated to build a house.

Councilmember Sharp made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cook and carried unanimously.

- 6.5 Discussed and considered for approval a request from Vernon Holcomb for Habitat for Humanity for a lot on the corner of Dukes Chapel Road and Second Street, (523 Second Street) to be donated to build a house.

Councilmember Sharp made a motion to approve both properties being conveyed to Habitat for Humanity with no funds being paid to the City and authorizing the Mayor to execute the deeds along with the other entities. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cook and carried unanimously.

- 6.6 Discussed and considered for approval a request from Clark Jesmore (The Carson House) and Peter Jessop (The Pecan House) for \$1,000 from Hotel/Motel tax for a TV Commercial highlighting Pittsburg, Texas and the Bed and Breakfasts.

Councilmember Cook made a motion to approve \$3,240. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Ford and carried unanimously.

- 6.7 Report from Lanny Buck with KSA Engineers on final repairs needed to be made on Fulton Street and Kent Drive.

Lanny stated South Texas, Dickson, and Elm Streets were completed for less than the original bid and in less than the allotted construction time. East Fulton Street was completed at the original bid and took longer to complete due to weather and contractor. West Fulton and Terry Streets had some additional costs and had a 90-day completion time, but the estimate is now at 248 days.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

7.1 Regular Meeting of February 11, 2008.

7.2 Called Meeting of February 15, 2008.

Councilmember Cook made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Moore and carried unanimously.

8. ADJOURN

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:30 P.M.

Shawn Kennington, Mayor

Margaret Jackson, City Secretary