The City of Liberty
City Council

Special Called Meeting

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Thursday, March 24, 2011 | **6:00 PM** | **City Council Chambers**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting was called to order on March 24, 2011 at the City Council Chambers, 1829 Sam Houston, Liberty,TX at 6:03 PM by Mayor Carl Pickett.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Carl Pickett	Mayor	Present	
Dennis Beasley	Councilperson	Present	
Diane Huddleston	Councilperson	Present	
Mike McCarty	Mayor Pro-Tem	Present	
Al Simonson	Councilperson	Absent	
Louie Potetz	Councilperson	Absent	
Frank Jordan	Councilperson	Present	

II. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF GUESTS AND VISITORS / PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Pickett welcomed guests and visitors, opening the floor for public comment to those individuals wishing to address the Council. There were no comments from the audience.

Mayor Pickett reported that: 1) the 26th Annual Liberty Jubilee would be held this Friday and Saturday, March 25th & 26th, and 2) welcomed council member elect, Ms. Libby Simonson, who was in the audience.

III. REGULAR AGENDA

A. Executive Session

Meeting Concerning Municipally Owned Utility. Gov. Code §551.086
Consultation With Attorney. Gov. Code §551.071

1. Deliberation with Sam Rayburn Municipal Power Agency representatives regarding electric contract for wholesale power.

Personnel Matters. Gov. Code §551.074
Consultation With Attorney. Gov. Code §551.071

2. Deliberation regarding the employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of an employee - Police Dept.

At 6:05 p.m., Mayor Pickett closed the open meeting and opened the Executive Session as authorized above.

At 8:37 p.m., Mayor Pickett closed the Executive Session and reconvened the open meeting.

B. Regular Session

1. Council Action 2011-37

Consider Action on the Items as Discussed in the Executive Session.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Motion was made that Council ratify the employee complaint resolution as recommended by the City Manager.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Frank Jordan, Councilperson
SECONDER:	Dennis Beasley, Councilperson
AYES:	Pickett, Beasley, Huddleston, McCarty, Jordan
ABSENT:	Al Simonson, Louie Potetz

2. Resolution 2011-4

Consider a Resolution with the Texas Department of Transporation, Aviation Division, for Cost Sharing of an Update of the Airport Layout Plan.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Mayor Pickett read the caption of the Resolution into the record as follows:

"A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIBERTY, TEXAS AUTHORIZING COST SHARING WITH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR UPDATING THE AIRPORT LAYOUT PLAN, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS RELATIVE TO THE PLAN."

City Manager Gary Broz reported that the City's 1997 Airport Layout Plan is outdated. This document is used to plan future infrastructure and facilities development that may require State financial assistance. Mr. Broz stated that the City is requesting assistance from TXDOT to update the plan, and the project cost is approximately $60,000. The City will be responsible for 10% of the cost, approximately $6,000.

Motion was made to approve the Resolution and authorize the City Manager to execute all documents relative to the plan.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Mike McCarty, Mayor Pro-Tem
SECONDER:	Dennis Beasley, Councilperson
AYES:	Pickett, Beasley, Huddleston, McCarty, Jordan
ABSENT:	Al Simonson, Louie Potetz

3. Resolution 2011-5

Consider a Resolution with the Texas Department of Transportation, Aviation Division, for Cost Sharing of Airport Hangar Development.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Mayor Pickett read the caption of the Resolution into the record as follows:

"A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIBERTY, TEXAS AUTHORIZING COST SHARING WITH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS RELATIVE TO THESE IMPROVEMENTS."

City Manager Gary Broz reported that the Liberty Community Development Corporation had allocated monies for dirt work associated with the construction of a 10-T hangar facility at the Liberty Municipal Airport, to be constructed with FEMA funds. Mr. Broz stated that in speaking with the Texas Department of Transportation, TXDOT has agreed to participate in cost sharing for this project, providing the dirt work for a project cost of $550,000, with the City responsible for 10% of the project cost, approximately $55,000. Along with the LCDC allocated funds, the City will now be able to construct two 10-T hangars at the Airport.

Motion was made to approve the Resolution and authorize the City Manager to execute all documents relative to these improvements.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Dennis Beasley, Councilperson
SECONDER:	Frank Jordan, Councilperson
AYES:	Pickett, Beasley, Huddleston, McCarty, Jordan
ABSENT:	Al Simonson, Louie Potetz

4. Council Action 2011-38

Consider an Appointment to the Community Development Advisory Board.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Councilperson Jordan reported that appointments to the Community Development Advisory Board had been made earlier in the year, however, one of the members is now unable to serve. Councilperson Jordan recommended the appointment of Mr. Howard Brister.

Motion was made to approve the appointment of Howard Brister to the Community Development Advisory Board.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Frank Jordan, Councilperson
SECONDER:	Mike McCarty, Mayor Pro-Tem
AYES:	Pickett, Beasley, Huddleston, McCarty, Jordan
ABSENT:	Al Simonson, Louie Potetz

5. Council Action 2011-39

Consider Award of Bid for Various Mowing Proposals.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

City Manager Gary Broz reported that the City had received five proposals for mowing various City properties. After discussion and review of the tabulation sheet, Mr. Broz recommended that Flying "N" be allowed to mow the City properties for a trial period of six months.

Motion was made to authorized the City Manager to engage Flying "N" for a specific amount per location, per mowing, not to exceed a total of $30,000.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Frank Jordan, Councilperson
SECONDER:	Diane Huddleston, Councilperson
AYES:	Pickett, Beasley, Huddleston, McCarty, Jordan
ABSENT:	Al Simonson, Louie Potetz

6. Council Action 2011-40

Consider Appointments to the 2011 Charter Review Commission.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Motion was made to appoint the following 2009 Charter Review Commission members to the 2011 Charter Review Commission:

Frank Jordan, Jamie Carter, Victor Barranco, Marsha LaFour, and Clarence Martin.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Frank Jordan, Councilperson
SECONDER:	Dennis Beasley, Councilperson
AYES:	Pickett, Beasley, Huddleston, McCarty, Jordan
ABSENT:	Al Simonson, Louie Potetz

IV. PRESENTATIONS / REPORTS

A. Information Item (ID # 1982)

Financial Report - February, 2011

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

A financial report was not presented at this meeting.

V. COUNCIL MEAL

Council shared an evening meal.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion To: Adjourn

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Dennis Beasley, Councilperson
SECONDER:	Diane Huddleston, Councilperson
AYES:	Pickett, Beasley, Huddleston, McCarty, Jordan
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Carl Pickett, Mayor

ATTEST:

Dianne Tidwell, City Secretary