



The City of Liberty
City Council
Special Called Meeting
~ Minutes ~

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Dianne Tidwell
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Tuesday, May 16, 2017

6:00 PM

City Council Chambers

I. CALL TO ORDER

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Carl Pickett	Mayor	Present	
Diane Huddleston	Mayor Pro Tem	Present	
Dennis Beasley	Councilperson	Present	
Louie Potetz	Councilperson	Present	6:01 PM
Libby Simonson	Councilperson	Present	
David Arnold	Councilperson	Present	
Paul Glazener	Councilperson	Present	
Gary Broz	City Manager	Present	
Dianne Tidwell	City Secretary	Present	
Brandon Davis	City Attorney	Present	

II. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF GUESTS AND VISITORS / PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment is reserved for members of the public who would like to address the City Council regarding agenda and non-agenda items. Please be aware that, under Texas Law, the Council may not deliberate or take any action during Citizen's comments for items not on the agenda. In some situations, City Staff may be able to respond to the public comment with a factual statement or clarification. The City Council may have the item placed on a future agenda for action or refer the item to Management and Staff for study or conclusion.

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.

City Manager Gary Broz briefly reported on current activities and issues, also asking that Police Chief Tom Claunch report on recent vehicle burglaries in the City, which were a result of citizens leaving their vehicles unlocked.

III. REGULAR AGENDA

A. Regular Session

1. Council Action 2017-38

Discussion with City of Ames representatives on the progress of their sewer projects, and take any action deemed necessary.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

City of Ames Mayor John White and Mayor Pro Tem David Papillion were present to address Council regarding Ames' wastewater projects to improve their wastewater system. Each City representative spoke to various projects to include:

- HR Green conducted smoke testing of sewer lines
- Identification of manholes in poor condition and their defects by Freese & Nichols
- Let bids for and contractor repaired manholes
- City has applied for \$350,000 grant to assist with project to rehabilitate and adjust manholes, extension of 6" sanitary sewer force main, etc.
- City has purchased television equipment for use in locating areas of high inflow and infiltration.

Lengthy discussion ensued and Mayor White and Mr. Papillion stated that they would continue to work on getting their system in good working order. Mayor Pickett extended his appreciation for their efforts and Council's desire for continued success on the project and in bringing this to an advantageous conclusion for both parties.

RESULT: NO ACTION TAKEN

2. Council Action 2017-39

Discussion with City of Hardin representatives on the progress of their sewer projects, and take any action deemed necessary.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

This agenda item was passed on as representatives from the City of Hardin were not able to be present.

RESULT: NO ACTION TAKEN

B. Executive Session

Consultation with Attorney, Gov. Code §551.071

Contemplated/Pending Litigation - Wastewater Contracts

At 6:28 p.m., Mayor Pickett closed the open meeting and opened the Executive Session as authorized above.

C. Reconvene into Regular Session

At 7:23 p.m., Mayor Pickett closed the Executive Session and reconvened the open meeting.

1. Council Action 2017-40

Consider and take action, if any, on the items as discussed in the Executive Session.

RESULT: NO ACTION TAKEN

2. Council Action 2017-41

Discuss and take action to rescind the vote taken, on Tuesday, May 9, 2017 for appointments to the Liberty Community Development Corporation Board of Directors.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

City Secretary Dianne Tidwell reported that four appointments were made to the Liberty Community Development Corporation Board of Directors at the Council Meeting of May 9, 2017. Ms. Tidwell further explained that LCDC Board Member Mike McCarty's name had inadvertently been placed on the list of those whose term expired, resulting in one too many appointments. Ms. Tidwell stated that Mr. McCarty's term expires in 2018, therefore the vote taken at the May 9th meeting should be rescinded and a new vote taken for three appointments to the LCDC Board.

A motion was made to rescind the vote taken at the Council Meeting of May 9, 2017, for appointments to the Liberty Community Development Corporation Board of Directors.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Libby Simonson, Councilperson
SECONDER: Dennis Beasley, Councilperson
AYES: Pickett, Huddleston, Beasley, Potetz, Simonson, Arnold, Glazener

3. Council Action 2017-42

Consider appointments to the Liberty Community Development Corporation Board of Directors.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

A motion was made by Council Member Beasley, seconded by Council Member Huddleston to appoint Leslie Herndon, Mark Campbell and David Arnold to the Liberty Community Development Board of Directors. Discussion ensued, Council Member Arnold withdrew his name and recommended Walden David for appointment.

Council Member Beasley revised his motion to state that Council appoint Leslie Herndon, Mark Campbell and Walden David to the LCDC Board of Directors.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dennis Beasley, Councilperson
SECONDER:	David Arnold, Councilperson
AYES:	Pickett, Huddleston, Beasley, Potetz, Simonson, Arnold, Glazener

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion To: Adjourn

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

There being no further business before the Council, Mayor Pickett adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

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Carl Pickett, Mayor

ATTEST:

Dianne Tidwell, City Secretary