

## **CITY COMMISSION MINUTES**

**April 8, 2014**

**9:00 A.M.**

The City Commission of the City of Sweetwater, Texas met in regular session on April 8, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. in the City Commission Room at City Hall, 200 E. Fourth Street with the following members present:

**GREG WORTHAM**, Mayor  
**JIM MCKENZIE**, Mayor Pro-Tem  
**JEROD PEEK**, Commissioner  
**LARRY MAY**, Commissioner

**RICKY CASTRO**, Commissioner  
**EDWARD BROWN**, City Manager  
**PETE SHERIDAN**, City Attorney  
**PATTY TORRES**, City Secretary

Staff members present: Public Works Director Russell Jones, Emergency Services Director Grant Madden, Chief of Police Brian Frieda, Utilities Director Eddy Campbell, and City Services Director Kirk Harris.

1. Mayor Wortham called the meeting to order.
2. Lillian Neal, representing Emmanuel Fellowship Church gave the invocation.
3. Mayor Wortham led the pledge of allegiance.
4. Motion was made by Commissioner Peek, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem McKenzie to approve minutes for the meeting held on March 11, 2014. The motion carried unanimously.
5. Action Items:
  - A. Mayor Wortham proclaimed April as National Safe Digging Month in Sweetwater.

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- B. Mayor Greg Wortham proclaimed Sunday, April 13, 2014 as "A Day of Prayer for Rain".

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- C. City Commission opened and considered one bid that was received on City-owned lots located at 112 and 114 Tom Green Street. The bid was received from Phillippe Lee-Gabriel in the amount of \$1120. Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem McKenzie, seconded by Commissioner Peek to accept the bid. Motion carried unanimously.
- D. Motion was made by Commissioner Peek, seconded by Commissioner Castro to appoint Robert Pieper to the County-City Library Board to fill the expired term of Richard Fergeson which ended December 31, 2013. New term began January 1, 2014 and expires December 31, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.
- E. Motion was made by Commissioner May, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem McKenzie to approve the investment report for the quarter ended March 31, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

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- F. Motion was made by Commissioner May, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem McKenzie to appoint Olga Balderas and Kevin Shipp as judge and alternate judge for the May 10, 2014 election. Motion carried unanimously.
- G. Motion was made by Commissioner Peek, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem McKenzie to purchase a 5 yard Ford F-750 dump truck through the HGAC purchasing cooperative for \$68,795. Motion carried unanimously.
- H. Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem McKenzie, seconded by Commissioner Peek to consider first reading of an ordinance establishing classifications and number of positions for the fire and police departments pursuant to Chapter 143 of the Texas Local Government Code; providing a severability clause; finding and determining that the meetings at which the ordinance is passed are open to the public as required by law; and providing for an effective date. Motion carried unanimously.
- I. City Commission set a meeting date of May 20, 2014 to canvass votes of the May 10, 2014 election for precincts 2 and 4.
- J. Motion was made by Commissioner Peek, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem McKenzie to approve a Resolution for adoption of the amended City of Sweetwater Water Conservation and Drought Contingency Plan.

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CONTRACT BOOK XIII PAGES 30-32.**

6. City Manager's Report.
  - A. Schedule a budget workshop on 2014-2015 Budget for May 27, 2014 at the Water Treatment Plant on Hillsdale Road, time to be determined.
  - B. eHT (Hibbs and Todd) engineers have completed inspections of the City-owned dams located at Lake Sweetwater, Lake Trammell and Oak Creek Lake.
  - C. A table top exercise relating to the City's Dam Emergency Action Plans was conducted March 25, 2014. Representatives from eHT, City Management, Nolan County, Coke County, National Weather Service, Texas Emergency Management and TCEQ were in attendance.
  - D. SNAP is sponsoring the Taste of Sweetwater to be held April 14, 2014 from 5:30-7:30 p.m.
  - E. Early voting begins April 28 through May 6 at City Hall and the election will be Saturday, May 10, 2014 at Sweetwater Middle School.
7. Public Input.

None.
8. Mayor Pro-Tem McKenzie made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Peek to adjourn. There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:20 a.m. The motion carried unanimously.

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Gregory Wortham, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Patty Torres, City Secretary

Persons signing register: Phillippe Gabriel, Mike Schweikhard, Brad Payne.