

CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

April 12, 2011

9:00 A.M.

The City Commission of the City of Sweetwater, Texas met in regular session on April 12, 2011 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

RICKY CASTRO, Commissioner

LARRY MAY, Commissioner

EDWARD BROWN, City Manger

PETE SHERIDAN, City Attorney

CAROLYN LAWRENCE, City Secretary

Staff members present: Public Works Director Ray Adames, Emergency Services Director Grant Madden, Chief of Police Jim Kelley, Utilities Director Eddy Campbell.

1. Mayor Wortham called the meeting to order.
2. Larry May gave the invocation.
3. Mayor Wortham led the pledge of allegiance.
4. Motion was made by Commissioner May, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem McKenzie to approve minutes for the meeting held on March 8, 2011. The motion carried unanimously.
5. Action Items:
 - A. Motion was made by Commissioner Peek, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem McKenzie to adopt an ordinance cancelling the May 14, 2011 general election and declaring each unopposed candidate elected to office: Gregory Wortham Mayor, Larry May Commissioner Precinct 1 and Ricky Castro Commissioner Precinct 3. The next Commission Meeting date was changed from May 10, 2011 to May 17, 2011 in order to swear in officials after the May 14, 2011 election date. The motion carried unanimously.

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- B. Mayor Wortham proclaimed Sunday April 17, 2011 "A Day of Prayer for Rain."

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- C. Mayor Wortham proclaimed April 2011 as "Child Abuse Prevention Month."

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- D. Motion was made by Commissioner Peek, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem McKenzie to approve renewal of the Lake Sweetwater Bait Shop concession lease with Vivian Williams. The motion carried unanimously.

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- E. Motion was made by Commissioner May, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem McKenzie to approve the quarterly investment report for the quarter ended March 31, 2011. The motion carried unanimously.

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- F. Motion was made by Commissioner Peek, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem McKenzie to enter into Executive Session pursuant to the provision of 551.071 of the Texas Government Code to consult with City Attorney regarding pending or threatened litigation and 551.072 to deliberate regarding purchase and/or lease of real property. The motion carried unanimously.
- G. Commissioner Peek made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem McKenzie to enter into Regular Session. The motion carried unanimously.
- H. No action was necessary from the Executive Session.
- I. City Commissioner considered taking action with regard to expired lake lot leases at Lake Sweetwater and Oak Creek Lake. No action was taken at this time.

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6. City Manager's Report.
 - A. Sales tax collections declined in March, were back up in April and are up 10% or \$125,737.95 over the prior year.
 - B. Schedule a budget workshop on 2011-2012 Budget for May 12, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. at the Water Treatment Plant on Hillsdale Road.
 - C. I have been in discussion with David Guinn, PHD Baylor Law Professor regarding the possible redistricting as a result of the 2010 Census. Dr. Guinn's firm prepared the City's redistricting plan as a result of 2000 Census.
 - D. Our property tax collections are 83% of assessed as compared to 82% in the prior year.
7. Public Input.

None.
8. Commissioner Peek made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Castro to adjourn. There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Gregory Wortham, Mayor

ATTEST:

Carolyn Lawrence, City Secretary

Persons signing register: Becca Frierson, Rhonda Stratton, Dora Scott, Robbie Barlow, Jacque McCoy, Brenda Alexander, Peggy Parrott, Teresa Zarate, Jimmy Apel, Bill Reilly, David & Jan Hall, Hollis Ellis, Tommy Parker, Marla Muncy.