

## **CITY COMMISSION MINUTES**

**October 11, 2011**

**9:00 A.M.**

The City Commission of the City of Sweetwater, Texas met in regular session on October 11, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. in the City Commission Room at City Hall, 200 E. Fourth Street with the following members present:

**GREGORY L. WORTHAM**, Mayor

**LARRY MAY**, Commissioner

**JEROD PEEK**, Mayor Pro-Tem

**JIM MCKENZIE**, Commissioner

**EDWARD BROWN**, City Manager

**CAROLYN LAWRENCE**, City Secretary

**PETER SHERIDAN**, City Attorney

Absent: **RICKY CASTRO**, Commissioner

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

1. Mayor Wortham called the meeting to order.
2. Commissioner May gave the invocation.
3. Mayor Wortham led the pledge of allegiance.
4. Motion was made by Commissioner McKenzie, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Peek to approve minutes for the meeting held on September 13, 2011. The motion carried unanimously.
5. Action Items:
  - A. Jacque McCoy, Director of the Sweetwater Chamber of Commerce introduced the 2011 Leadership Sweetwater participants.
  - B. Motion was made by Commissioner May, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie to approve the Quarterly Investment Report for the quarter ended September 30, 2011. The motion carried unanimously.

**COPY OF REPORT IN FULL IS LOCATED IN THE ORDINANCE AND CONTRACT BOOK XII PAGE 391.**

- C. Motion was made by Commissioner McKenzie, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Peek to amend the current agreement with USDA-APHIS wildlife services to allow aerial hunting as a method of control on City owned properties at the Municipal Golf Course, sewer farm, Lake Sweetwater and Oak Creek Lake. Recent feral hog damage and possible threat to human

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health and safety necessitate this amendment. The Commission reviewed a slide show demonstrating damage to the golf course by the hogs. The motion carried unanimously.

**COPY OF AGREEMENT IN FULL IS LOCATED IN THE ORDINANCE AND CONTRACT BOOK XII PAGE 392.**

- D. Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Peek seconded by Commissioner May to approve the second and final reading of an Ordinance Adopting a Revised Plan for the City's Commission Member Districts; Providing for Related Matters and an Effective Date. The motion carried unanimously.

**COPY OF ORDINANCE IN FULL IS LOCATED IN THE ORDINANCE AND CONTRACT BOOK XII PAGES 393-398.**

- E. Motion was made by Commissioner McKenzie, seconded by Commissioner May to approve a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to enter into an Agreement for Grant Management Services with A & J Howco Services, Inc. for the 2011 Tx CDBG Grant – Sewer Facility Improvements Project. This grant will be used to replace a sewer line on Neff Street. The motion carried unanimously.

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- F. Motion was made by Commissioner May, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Peek to approve a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to enter into an Agreement for Engineering Services with Enprotec/Hibbs & Todd, Inc. for the 2011 Tx CDBG Grant – Sewer Facility Improvements Project. The motion carried unanimously.

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- G. Motion was made by Commissioner May, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Peek to name Ben High as the nominee for the City of Sweetwater to serve on the Board of Directors of the Central Appraisal District of Nolan County for the term beginning January 1, 2012 and ending December 31, 2013 and to cast all City votes for Mr. High. The motion carried unanimously.

6. City Manager's Report.

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- A. The City of Sweetwater received the GFOA Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting FYE 2010. The Finance Department should be commended for attaining this award for the 27<sup>th</sup> year.
  - B. City Manager reported the City's property tax collection ratio for the past fiscal year was 96% on current taxes and 105% total.
  - C. September 2011 sales tax collections were up 115% or \$179,393.77 from 2010. Included in this amount is a single payment of \$132,941.72 (City's portion) from a taxpayer as well as \$6,519.35 audit recovery.
  - D. Eddy Campbell, Scott Hibbs (Enprotec, Hibbs & Todd), Jim Clements (Oncor) and City Manager met to discuss recent power outages and impact on Water Treatment Plant. Scott Hibbs will bring a report November 8, 2011.
7. Public Input.
- None.
8. Mayor Pro-Tem Peek made a motion seconded by Commissioner McKenzie to adjourn. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:20 a.m.

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Gregory L. Wortham, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Carolyn Lawrence, City Secretary

Persons signing register: Tom Parker, Jim Clements, Jacque McCoy, Tim Monday, Kevin Blackwell, Ken Holcomb, Dawna Fullwood, Joni Coons, David McDonald, Bri Burnett, Kirk Maberry, Matt Weaver, Carolyn Alexander, Jan Smith