

CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

May 8, 2012

9:00 A.M.

The City Commission of the City of Sweetwater, Texas met in regular session on May 8, 2012 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, Commissioner
JEROD PEEK, Commissioner
LARRY MAY, Commissioner

EDWARD BROWN, City Manager
PETE SHERIDAN, City Attorney
CAROLYN LAWRENCE, City Secretary

Absent: **RICKY CASTRO**, Mayor Pro-Tem

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

1. Mayor Wortham called the meeting to order.
2. Earl Stewart, Minister of First Presbyterian Church gave the invocation.
3. Mayor Wortham led the pledge of allegiance.
4. Motion was made by Commissioner Peek, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie to approve minutes for the meetings held on April 10, 2012 and April 17, 2012. The motion carried unanimously.
5. Action Items:
 - A. City Commission opened construction bids for the 2011 Texas Community Development Block Grant Program (TCDBG) sewer improvement project. The bids were held by the City of Sweetwater for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the qualifications prior to the contract award. After the review by Enprotec/Hibbs & Todd, Inc., the contract will be awarded at the City's budget retreat on May 10, 2012.
 - B. Motion was made by Commissioner May, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie to approve a Resolution appointing Mayors Pro-Tem for the City of Sweetwater and prescribing the terms thereof. The motion carried unanimously.

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- C. Motion was made by Commissioner Peek, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie to approve a Resolution of the City of Sweetwater denying Atmos Energy Corp., Mid-Tex Division's ("Atmos Mid-Tex") requested rate change; requiring the Company to reimburse the City's reasonable ratemaking expenses; finding that the meeting at which this Resolution is passed is open to the public as required by law; requiring notice of this Resolution to the Company and ACSC's legal counsel. The motion carried unanimously.

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- D. Motion was made by Commissioner McKenzie, seconded by Commissioner Peek to authorize staff to advertise for bids on vehicle for Police Chief. The motion carried unanimously.
- E. Motion was made by Commissioner May, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie to adopt a Resolution authorizing continued participation with the Atmos Cities Steering Committee; and authorizing the payment of five cents per capita to the Atmos Cities Steering Committee to fund regulatory and related activities related to Atmos Energy Corporation. The motion carried unanimously.

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- F. Motion was made by Commissioner Peek, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie to enter into Executive Session Pursuant to the provisions 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. The motion carried unanimously.

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- G. Motion was made by Commissioner Peek, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie to enter into regular session. The motion carried unanimously.
 - H. Motion was made by Commissioner May, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie to ratify various oil and gas leases negotiated and executed on behalf of the City. Motion carried unanimously.
6. City Manager's Report.
- A. Commission Budget Workshop to be held on May 10, 2012 at 8:00 a.m. at the Water Treatment Plant training room.
 - B. Discuss Conflict of Disclosure Statements of Local Government Officers, review and file with City Secretary, if necessary.
 - C. The oath of office for Commissioners Jim McKenzie, Precinct 2 and Dr. Jerod Peek, Precinct 4 will be administered during the June City Commission meeting. Officials cannot be sworn in until after the election date which is May 12.
 - D. SNAP building update.
7. Public Input.
- None.
8. Commissioner McKenzie made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Peek to adjourn. There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:35 a.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Gregory Wortham, Mayor

ATTEST:

Carolyn Lawrence, City Secretary