



City Council Minutes April 14, 2020

The City Council of the City of Fruitvale, Texas, conducted the meeting scheduled for April 14, 2020, 6:30 p.m., via video/telephone conference. Present: Vicki Ferguson, Susan Murre, Jami Tillery, Tamara Jackson, Brandon Russell, Cindy Lambert

Mayor Ferguson called the meeting to order at 6:45pm.

Brandon offered the invocation.

The minutes from the March meeting were presented. Cindy made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Brandon seconded. All in favor - motion carried.

The financials from March were presented. Brandon made a motion to accept the financials as presented. Tamara seconded. All in favor – motion carried.

The Resolution (0320.2020) for postponement of the May 2, 2020 General Election to November 2020 was presented. Cindy made a motion to adopt the Resolution. Tamara seconded. All in favor – motion carried. Susan will notify Kimberly and Bryan.

The Resolution (0414.2020) for City of Fruitvale Hazard Mitigation Plan, in conjunction with the plan in place with Van Zandt County, was presented. The will allow Fruitvale to be able to participate in claims for future pre and post disaster federal funds. Cindy made a motion to adopt the Resolution. Susan seconded. All in favor – motion carried.

The Proclamation was presented declaring May as Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month. Tamara made a motion to accept the proclamation. Brandon seconded. All in favor - motion carried.

The Extension of the Disaster Declaration was presented. This extension is based upon the extension put into effect on March 13, 2020 by Governor Abbott. This extension will be in effect until the Governor lifts such. Brandon made a motion to accept the extension. Cindy seconded. All in favor – motion carried.

Vicki discussed donating the remaining building material, i.e. Sheet rock, etc. to the Fire Department. This would help them in the rebuilding of their office. Cindy made a motion to donate the material to the Fire Department. Susan seconded. All in favor – motion carried.

Brandon asked that we double check with the Fire Department to ensure that the roof repair is holding up and not leaking. Susan texted Chris during the meeting to ask. Chris said that it was not leaking when he checked during the last bit of rain. Susan told him we wanted to monitor it the next few rains to make sure. He agreed that that was a good idea.

Tamara asked that the council consider hiring an attorney to decide whether the city has any claim or not to the Donated property. It might even be something that TML could advise on. Susan will check with TML, as well as check around for attorneys who handle real estate.

Brandon asked that the council get a signed copy of the Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Proclamation, as well as the Extension of Disaster Declaration, in their email.

Cindy inquired about the property that Nancy Woods has for sale along Highway 80. Tamara said that it was 5 acres and she was asking \$75,000.

Susan asked that if anyone had suggested changes to the proposed ordinances regarding trash build up at residences and minimum housing standards to send them to her and she will compile the changes before the next meeting. She will send the suggested samples out to the council in email.

Brandon made a motion to adjourn. Tamara seconded. All in favor – motion carried.

_____ Vicki Ferguson, Mayor