

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
July 28, 2011 8:30 a.m.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL

The City Council of the City of Abilene, Texas, met in Regular Session on July 28th, at 8:30 a.m. in the Council Chambers at 555 Walnut Street. Mayor Archibald was present and presiding with Councilmen Shane Price, Joe Spano, Anthony Williams, Robert O Briley, Stormy Higgins and Councilwoman Miller. Also present were City Manager Larry Gilley, City Attorney Dan Santee, City Secretary Danette Dunlap, and various members of the City staff.

Councilman Williams gave the invocation.

Mayor Archibald introduced Dixon Whisenhunt. Dixon attends Thomas Elementary School and is the son of Mindy Patterson, Director of Finance. Dixon led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flags of the United States of America and the State of Texas.

Mayor Archibald recognized the loss of Rocco one of our Abilene Police Drug Dogs.

DISPOSITION OF MINUTES

5.0 Mayor Archibald stated Council has been given the minutes from the July 14th regular meeting there being no deletions, no additions, and no corrections, Councilman Higgins made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Councilman Price seconded the motion, motion carried.

AYES: Councilmen Price, Spano, Williams, Briley, Higgins Councilwoman Miller, and Mayor Archibald

NAYS: None

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilman Price and citizen Steve Savage requested to pull item 6.1. Councilman Briley made the motion to approve 6.2 and 6.3. Councilman Spano seconded the motion, motion carried.

AYES: Councilmen Price, Spano, Williams, Briley, Higgins Councilwoman Miller, and Mayor Archibald

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Councilman Williams for item 6.2

Resolution:

6.1 **Oral Resolution** authorizing the City Manager to enter into a marketing agreement with Utility Service Partners Private Label, Inc., d/b/a Service Line Warranties of America (SLWA). *Item pulled.*

Ordinance:

6.2 Ordinance – (First reading) **Z-2011-15** a request from Minda Street Church of Christ to rezone property from RS-6 (Single Family Residential) to NR (Neighborhood Retail) zoning located at 855 Minda St.; and setting a public hearing for August 11, 2011.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 23, SUBPART B, "LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE," OF THE ABILENE MUNICIPAL CODE, BY CHANGING THE ZONING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES AFFECTING CERTAIN PROPERTIES; CALLING A PUBLIC HEARING; PROVIDING A PENALTY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Bid Award:

6.3 Bid Award: Buy Board purchase of Rubber Tired Skid Steer Loader. The City Council approved the purchase of a replacement rubber tired skid steer loader for use by the Street Maintenance Service Division of Public Works, purchased from Warren Caterpillar, Abilene, TX through the Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (Buy Board) in the total amount not to exceed \$76,074.43.

ITEM PULLED FROM CONSENT

6.1 Oral Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a marketing agreement with Utility Service Partners Private Label, Inc., d/b/a Service Line Warranties of America (SLWA). *Item pulled.*

Councilman Price would like to see the 12%, which the city could receive by entering into an agreement, go back to the citizens that opt-in with the insurance company. Staff agrees with the 12% going back to the citizens.

Council heard from the following:

- Steve Savage – voiced his concerns
- Steve Longmire – Plumber – voiced his concerns
- Brian Davis, BDA Consulting Group – advised council that this is GAP insurance, the Company is bonded and Certified to do business in the State of Texas

Councilman Briley would like more information on the company before council makes a decision.

Councilman Briley made the motion to TABLE this item until staff can gather more information on the Company. Councilman Spano seconded the motion, motion carried.

AYES: Councilmen Price, Spano, Williams, Briley, Higgins Councilwoman Miller, and Mayor Archibald

NAYS: None

REGULAR AGENDA

No Items for Regular

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Archibald recessed the Council into Executive Session 9:11 a.m. pursuant to Sections 551.071, 551.074, 551.072 and 551.087 of the Open Meetings Act, to seek the advice of the City Attorney with respect to pending and contemplated litigation, to consider the appointment and evaluation of public officers, to consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property, and to discuss contemplated business prospects and or economic development matters.

The Council reconvened from Executive Session at 9:50 a.m. and reported no votes or action was taken in Executive Session in regards to 551.072 Real Property.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Danette Dunlap, TRMC
City Secretary

Norm Archibald
Mayor