

## **SPECIAL CALLED MEETING**

**January 24<sup>th</sup> 2017, 5:30 p.m.**

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

The City Council of the City of Abilene, Texas, met in a Special Called Workshop Meeting. Mayor Pro-tem Anthony Williams was present and presiding with Councilmen Jay Hardaway, Steve Savage, and Bruce Kreitler. Absent were Councilmen Kyle McAlister, Shane Price and Mayor Archibald. Also present were City Manager Robert Hanna, City Attorney Stanley Smith, City Secretary Danette Dunlap, and various other members of staff.

Councilman Savage gave the invocation.

Mayor Pro-tem Williams led the pledge to the United States Flag and the Texas Flag.

**Item 3.1:** Discussion and possible action regarding City of Abilene Boards and Commissions was presented by City Secretary Danette Dunlap

Council and Staff discussion included: 1) 35 Boards and Commissions; 2) 3 boards are not active Red Light Camera, Youth Advisory Council and Community Access Task Force; 3) 2 Boards the council has representatives on – West Central Texas Municipal Water District and Betty Hardwick MH/MR; 4) 3 Boards could stand on their own – Abilene/Taylor Co Child Advocacy Board, Civic Abilene, Inc and Friends of Safety City; and 5) 5 Boards that could possibly be sunset – Mayor's Council on Physical Fitness, Municipal Golf Board, Red Light Camera, Youth Advisory Council and Community Access Task Force

**Item 3.2:** Discussion and possible action regarding Fallen Public Servant Monument was presented by Assistant City Manager James Childers

Council and Staff discussion included: 1) committee was put together from the City Manager's office, Police Department, Fire Department and Community Services; 2) categories of remembrance a) Died while in Active Service and b) Died in the line of duty; 3) different memorial options; 4) considered cost, maintenance and flexibility; and 5) staff recommends both Public Safety and Non-Public Safety City employees be recognized

The following citizens spoke in regards to the Monument:

- Ann Marie Holder – for memorial
- Chad Mitchell – for memorial
- Justin Gregory – with Taylor County spoke on what Taylor County was working on for a monument
- Chaplin Donna Kleman – with Taylor County spoke on monuments

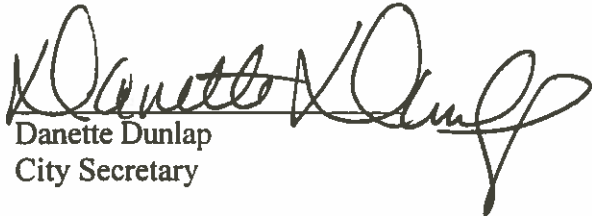
Mayor Pro-tem Williams opened the public comment period and council heard from the following citizen:

- Genesis Gonzalez – spoke on behalf of the Gonzalez family in favor of a monument


The public comment period was closed.

Council and Staff discussion included: 1) a possible committee for review of council's rules and procedures.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.



Danette Dunlap  
City Secretary



Anthony Williams  
Mayor Pro-tem