

City of Fairview

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

January 20, 2005

Ken Brison, Mayor
 Eddie Arney, Vice-Mayor
 Wayne Hall, Commissioner
 Stuart L. Johnson, Commissioner
 Darrell Mangrum, Commissioner
 Alan W. Deck, City Manager
 Larry Cantrell, City Attorney
 Kathleen Daugherty, Recorder

Present: Brison, Arney, Hall, Johnson, Mangrum

Others Present: Deck, Cantrell

Absent:

1. Mayor Brison called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

- A. Commissioner Mangrum led the prayer and pledge to the flag.

2. Approval of the Agenda –

- A. Add Change in Committee Member under Old Business.
- B. Remove item 7 (2) under Old Business.
- C. Add under New Business – Park and Recreation Board.

Johnson made a motion to approve the agenda with the additions. Mangrum seconded the motion. All were in favor.

3. Citizen Comments –

- A. Gerry Stark a member of Friends of Bowie Nature Park thanked Commissioner Hall and the Park Staff for meeting with the Tree Commission last Friday and urged the Board to accept their recommendations which will be presented later in the meeting.

4. Awards and Recognitions -

- A. Vice-Mayor Arney recognized Sgt. J.R. Holt and Corporal Phil Jarosz of the Fairview Police Department for being awarded officers of the year for Williamson County.

5. Public Announcements – None

6. Approval of the Minutes –

- A. Presented for approval were the minutes of the Public Hearing held on January 6, 2005: Mangrum made a motion to approve the minutes. Johnson seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- B. Presented for approval were the minutes of the Board of Commissioners Meeting held on January 6, 2005. Mangrum made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Johnson seconded the motion. All were in favor.

- C. Presented for approval were the minutes of the Beer Board Meeting held on January 6, 2005. Mangrum made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Johnson seconded the motion. All were in favor.

7. Old Business –

A. Appointments to Board and/or Committees –

- (1) Tree Commission – Mayor Brison reported that there is still one vacant seat on the Tree Commissioner and recommended April Streisel for that position. Johnson made a motion to appoint April Streisel to the Tree Commission. Arney seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- (2) Mayor Brison stated that they do not need to make any appoints to the Board of Adjustments and Appeals at this time.
- (3) Vice-Mayor Arney asked the Board to take him off of the Board of Zoning Appeals and appoint Stuart Johnson. Arney then made a motion to appoint Johnson to the Board of Zoning Appeals. Mangrum seconded the motion. All were in favor.

- B. Bids on city property – Deck reported that they did not have any bids on the old city hall. He did receive a bid on the lot in front of the new city hall from the Arthritis Trust of America submitted by Mr. Perry Chapdelaine in the amount of \$150,000. Hall made a motion to accept the bid. Mangrum seconded the motion. Mangrum asked Cantrell if they can add additional contingencies to the contract once they have discussed them in a legal meeting. Cantrell stated that they could. Hall and Mangrum then rescinded their motions. Hall made a motion to accept the bid with contingencies being resolved. Mangrum seconded the motion. *For:* Hall, Mangrum, Arney, Brison *Abstain:* Johnson.

Deck also reported that Mark Miller has some concerns that the old city hall property being on the market will affect his lease. He plans to spend some money on remodeling the building. Deck also reminded the Board that if they take it off the market they cannot put the projected revenue from sale of the property in the budget. It was decided to address this with Miller at the next Board Meeting.

- C. Board Approval of CDBG – Deck stated that in order to apply for the \$500,000 grant money for the sewer system they need to adopt three resolutions: Resolution #02-05 in which the Board authorizes the Mayor to submit the application and the city agrees to match the money; Resolution #03-05 in which the City agrees to use Community Development Partners, LLC to complete the application on a no-cost basis; and Resolution 04-05 in which the City agrees to use Smith Seckman & Reid for Engineer Services for the project. Mangrum made a motion to adopt the three resolutions. Arney seconded the motion. All were in favor.

8. New Business -

- A. Bids on Group Life Insurance – Deck stated that he recommended that they reject all bids received and keep the life insurance we already have. He could not come up with a combined package for the life insurance and the accidental death policy for the police officers. At the present time we have a separate policy in the amount of \$100,000 for the police officers. Deck asked the Board to add the firefighters to the policy or omit the package. Arney stated that the policy should cover the firefighters also and made a motion to reject all bids and keep the life insurance policy we have

and add the firefighters to the accidental death policy along with the police officers. Hall seconded the motion. All were in favor.

- B. Park and Recreation Board – Hall presented a list of recommendations from the meeting with Tree Commission and the Park Staff on Friday, January 14th. (see attached) Hall went over the recommendations and stated that they felt there is a need for a permanent board to set recreation policy and priorities for the Nature Park and it should consist of seven members one of which should be a member of the Board of Commissioners. Hall stated that some of the members of the Board feel that a park board should consist of the Mayor and one other member of the Board. Brison stated that he would like to see a recommendation for a member from each of the organizations listed to serve on a park board. Arney stated that he felt they should be residents of the City. Johnson advised that he intended during Commissioners Comments to ask the city attorney to prepare an ordinance stating that all members of Boards and Committees must be residents of the City. Hall advised that the information he presented was for information only and was not asking for a vote on anything tonight. He did ask the city attorney to check on a conservation easement for the Nature Park.

9. City Manager Items for Discussion and/or Action –

- A. Fire Dept. Budget – Deck stated that when he hired Fire Chief Mike Cooper he told him to work on the ISO rating and the number of volunteers. Deck presented charts showing how the volunteer membership has increased, the hours volunteers donate, and the cost of training these volunteers so that they will know what to do when they get to a fire. (see attached) Deck asked the Board to allow him to purchase the equipment needed for these new volunteers. Deck also stated that he would like to hire a training officer which will probably be the last paid firefighter for a number of years. This person will also respond to daytime fire calls. This person can also hold training classes for firefighters in the surrounding area and charge them a fee. Deck stated that he will have the full proposal ready for the first meeting in February. Deck also reminded the Board that although they have annexed along Hwy. 100 from county line to county line if a resident is more than five miles from a fire station they are still considered a Class 9. In the future the City will need a new fire station and he asked the Board to keep in mind that the old Triangle School property would be an ideal location.
Arney recognized the volunteer firefighters that were present in the audience and stated that they need to help the police auxiliary with their equipment also. Deck stated that he agreed with helping the police auxiliary with their equipment.

10. Communications from the Mayor and Commissioners –

- A. Johnson stated that he felt all members of Committees and Boards should be residents of the City and registered voters. He asked Cantrell to prepare an ordinance to be considered at the next meeting.
- B. Mangrum stated that he would like to see them have a legal meeting concerning the sale of the commercial lot. It was decided to have the legal meeting on January 27th at 5:30 p.m.

- C. Arney commended Chief Cooper for increasing the number of volunteers. He also advised that both the boys and girls basketball teams from the Middle School made the State Playoffs.
- D. Mayor Brison stated that the plaque has finally been delivered to Mary Elizabeth Smith and she appreciated it very much.

11. The meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Kathleen Daugherty, CMC
City Recorder