

CITY OF FAIRVIEW

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 20, 2020

John Blade, Mayor
Debby Rainey, Vice Mayor
Derek K. Burks, Commissioner
Rod Dawson, Commissioner
Scott Lucas, Commissioner
Scott Collins, City Manager
Tim Potter, City Attorney
Brandy Johnson, City Recorder

Present: Blade, Burks, Dawson, Lucas, Rainey
Others Present: Johnson, Potter, Daugherty, Humphreys, Paisley

1. Roll Call – by Johnson

	Present	Absent
Commissioner Burks	x	___
Commissioner Dawson	x	___
Commissioner Lucas	x	___
Vice Mayor Rainey	x	___
Mayor Blade	x	___

2. Call to Order by Mayor Blade at 7:00 p.m.

3. Prayer and Pledge led by Mayor Blade

4. Approval of the Agenda and Executive Session Announcements - requested additions of item 11B, Multi-Year Material Contract with Pyro Shows for the Independence Day Celebration and Item 11C, add for discussion, Meeting Minutes and Packets (by Commissioner Burks)

Motion: Rainey- approve as amended

Second: Lucas

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Commissioner Burks	x	___	___	___
Commissioner Dawson	x	___	___	___
Commissioner Lucas	x	___	___	___
Vice Mayor Rainey	x	___	___	___
Mayor Blade	x	___	___	___

5. Public Hearing – N/A

6. Citizen Comments - NONE

7. Announcements, Awards, Recognitions – N/A

8. Staff Comments and Reports

A. City Manager Report

- An RFP for financing has been submitted for Item 11A on the agenda tonight. This does not require a vote tonight but for your information will be posted to the website and a hard copy of the proposal will be delivered to all four local banks. The deadline for response is March 4 and this will be up for consideration on the March 5 agenda.
- We have been working for at least the last three and a half years, as it relates to operations and finance, almost exclusively reactionary. There has not been a lot of opportunity to do much planning because we have been reacting to what happened in the past. The coming year budget will be our first year to actually utilize the budget as a planning tool as opposed to a recovery tool.
- Finance reports – Our software doesn't lend itself to clear financial reporting as it was developed as an accounting standard and the revenues appear as negative numbers while the expenditures appear as positive numbers so it appears backward for the standard citizen. We believe we have found a work-around so that we can begin producing easy to read financial reports. Collins shares both a revenue and expenditures report indicating examples of what is shown on our system prepared reports and the seemingly backward nature for someone not in the financial world.
- Collins expresses his thanks to the Fairview community as it relates to the middle school basketball teams, who did exceptionally well this season, girls record of 15-6 and boys at 29-2, with the boys appearing for the state championship. Both teams had an outstanding year and more important than their records is the sportsmanship shown not only by the teams but also by the Fairview community. Fairview really showed up and the state championship was a heated contest. The principal of the opposing school approached Collins to thank him for the behavior of our fans.

B. City Attorney Report – none

9. Consent Agenda (Any Item May Be Removed for Individual Consideration)

A. Minutes from the February 6, 2020, Board of Commissioners Meeting

Motion: Lucas

Second: Burks

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Commissioner Burks	x	___	___	___
Commissioner Dawson	x	___	___	___
Commissioner Lucas	x	___	___	___
Vice Mayor Rainey	x	___	___	___
Mayor Blade	x	___	___	___

10. Old Business – N/A

11. New Business

A. Financing Documents for Purchase of Property Located at 7062 City Center Way – City Manager Collins notes the contract has been executed on the property next door, \$50,000 in earnest money has been delivered and we are in the process of advertising for financing with all local banks. Attorney Tim Potter has arranged the closing. There will be 90 days remaining on the lease when we close in April and if the tenants remain we will have them sign a hold harmless agreement with the city. We had the property inspected and there is nothing harmful but there were some issues identified. We anticipate the tenants moving out by April 15. We will follow up next meeting with the financing proposals. No action taken.

B. Approval of Multi-Year Material Contract with Pyro Shows for Independence Day Celebration

Motion: Lucas

Second: Dawson

YES NO ABSTAIN RECUSE

Commissioner Burks	x	___	___	___
Commissioner Dawson	x	___	___	___
Commissioner Lucas	x	___	___	___
Vice Mayor Rainey	x	___	___	___
Mayor Blade	x	___	___	___

- C. Discussion on Minutes and Agendas Posting (addition to agenda by Commissioner Burks) – Commissioner Burks commented on the new website and it being easier to navigate. Burks notes that minutes are behind in getting posted to the site noting the last ones for the Planning Commission are from 2017 and 2018 for the BOC stressing we need to have these posted. He's not sure if we need an ordinance or a resolution in order for them to be posted within a specific time frame of their approval and would ask the attorney to draw something up. We need them posted in case you can't be present at a meeting, can't access YouTube if we are having issues with the sound system. Also, not everything in the BOC members packet gets posted to the website packet and he just assumed all was being posted. The citizens need to see everything and it is important that they have it unless there is a legal reason for them not to. City Manager Collins notes the website is not the new site we are working on but a revision of the old site. Collins offered that the amended budget not being included in the packet was on him as he had some last-minute adjustments to make.

12. Communications from the Mayor and Commissioners

- A. Commissioner Burks notes it is good to see Scott back. Social media has some good uses but also some bad, too and often the bad is worse in small communities. Personally, Burks tries to avoid social media but often finds it troubling the things people say on there that they wouldn't say to your face. He asks the community why they think the BOC does what they do. It's not for money as he actually loses money from his real job by the time required of him as a board member. Half the people will be upset at any decision that is made and it takes a lot of time away from his family. Burks asks the citizens to think of the time and effort it takes to be a BOC member. You have to have thick skin and everyone here works really hard, cares about the community as we all live here, too. We don't all have to agree but please recognize that this board, as well as the Planning Commission, are trying to help and do the best we can to better our community.
- B. Commissioner Lucas - none
- C. Commissioner Dawson welcomes back Scott Collins and states it hit home that we are now working on a budget we can use for planning rather than be reactionary. This is important to him and his family and to the citizens as we are whole and stable and you had a lot to do with that as well as the employees of this great city, so thank you.
- D. Vice Mayor Rainey welcomed City Manager Collins back.
- E. Mayor Blade also welcomed back Mr. Collins.

13. **Adjournment** –Commissioner Burks made a motion for adjournment and meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Brandy Johnson
City Recorder