

**MINUTES OF
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2007 — 6:00 P.M.
209 S. WASHINGTON
KAUFMAN, TEXAS 75142**

CITY COUNCILMEMBERS

MAYOR	PAULA BACON
MAYOR PRO-TEM	LONNIE BOUNDS
COUNCILMEMBER	GIL ALTOM JR.
COUNCILMEMBER	FLOYD CHOYCE
COUNCILMEMBER	JEFF COUNCIL
COUNCILMEMBER	WILLIAM FORTNER
COUNCILMEMBER	BARRY RATCLIFFE

INVOCATION: Chief of Police James M. Smith

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: Mayor Bacon called the Meeting to order at 6:09 p.m. Councilmembers present were Paula Bacon, Lonnie Bounds, Floyd Choyce, Jeff Council and Barry Ratcliffe. Councilmember Fortner and Councilmember Altom were absent. Mayor Bacon declared a quorum present. Also present were City Attorney David Dodd, City Manager Curtis Snow, City Secretary Jo Ann Talbot, Director of Public Works Richard Underwood, Director of Development Terry Capehart and Chief of Police James M. Smith.

CITIZENS COMMENTS (5 MINUTES) Citizens may address the City Council on any subject but must first complete a Request to Speak Form. Comments are limited to five (5) minutes, but no more than five (5) minutes per individual, and are not transferable. Citizen's comments not to exceed a total of 15 minutes.

Ms. Arbella Eldridge, 109 Coleman Street, Kaufman reported that she lived at this address for 38 years, now retired. Beer trucks drive continuously up and down Coleman Street. A sign is posted prohibiting large trucks through Coleman Street, but they ignore the signs. Ms. Eldridge has reported this to the Police Department numerous of times and sometimes she gets a good response and other it's not so good. She asked for the Council to investigate this matter.

Mayor Bacon commented that City Staff would address Ms. Eldridge's concerns.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS #1 THROUGH #5

“All matters listed under the Consent Agenda, are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered separately. For a citizen to request removal of an item, a speaker card must be filled out and submitted to the City Secretary.”

1. Consider approval of the Minutes of the January 22, 2007 Regular City Council Meeting.
2. Consider approval of the Minutes of the February 5, 2007 City Council Work Session Meeting.
3. Consider approval of an engagement letter with Witherspoon, Yeldell and Wilson to conduct the Financial Audit for Fiscal Year 2006-2007.
4. Consider approval of Resolution R-03-07 of the City Council of the City of Kaufman, Texas authorizing the City Manager to execute an Agreement with Humane Society of Cedar Creek Lake, Inc. for Public Animal Shelter Services.
5. Consider the acceptance of the Kaufman Economic Development Corporation Fiscal Year 2005-2006 financial report.

Councilmember Council moved and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Bounds to approve the Consent Agenda Items 1 through 5. Mayor Bacon called for a vote with all voting AYE, the motion carried. Councilmember Fortner and Councilmember Altom were absent.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

PLANNING AND ZONING ITEMS

6. Conduct a Public Hearing on the new Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance O-02-07 and Consider First Reading of the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance O-02-07.
 - a. Conduct Public Hearing – Zoning Ordinance O-02-07

Mayor Bacon declared the Public Hearing open at 6:15 p.m. There being no one to speak, Mayor Bacon declared the Public Hearing closed at 6:16 p.m.
 - b. Consider approval of first reading Zoning Ordinance O-02-07:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KAUFMAN, TEXAS, REPEALING AND REPLACING ORDINANCE NO. O-14-99, THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE, ADOPTED ON THE 22ND DAY OF MARCH, 1999, TOGETHER WITH ALL AMENDMENTS THERETO IN ITS ENTIRETY, AND ADOPTING ORDINANCE NO. O-02-07, THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KAUFMAN, TEXAS, AS APPROVED AND ADOPTED ON THE 19 TH DAY OF MARCH, 2007, TOGETHER WITH ALL AMENDMENTS THERETO; ESTABLISHING AND PROVIDING ZONING REGULATIONS; CREATING USE DISTRICTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL; REGULATING WITHIN SUCH DISTRICTS THE HEIGHT OF BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES, THE SIZE OF YARDS, COURTS AND OPEN SPACES, AND THE HEIGHT, BULK AND USE OF BUILDINGS AND LAND FOR COMMERCE, INDUSTRY, RESIDENCE AND OTHER PURPOSES; PROVIDING FOR SPECIFIC USE PERMITS (SUP); REPEALING THE FOLLOWING ABANDONED OR DISCONTINUED SUP ORDINANCES: O-08-99, O-10-00, O-24-00 AND O-09-04; SPECIFYING MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR OFF-STREET PARKING OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND OFF-STREET LOADING AREAS; PROVIDING MINIMUM REQUIRED FLOOR AREAS FOR DWELLING UNITS AND THE TYPE OF EXTERIOR CONSTRUCTION WITHIN CERTAIN ZONING DISTRICTS; REGULATING THE DENSITY OF DWELLINGS AND OTHER STRUCTURES AND THE PERCENTAGE OF LOT THAT MAY BE OCCUPIED BY STRUCTURES; ADOPTING PERFORMANCE STANDARDS FOR INDUSTRY; ESTABLISHING THE BASIS FOR CREATING A BUILDING SITE; PROVIDING FOR SITE PLAN APPROVAL; PROVIDING FENCE AND WALL REGULATIONS; PROVIDING SPECIAL ACCESS STANDARDS; ADOPTING A ZONING DISTRICT MAP AND MAKING IT A PART OF THIS ORDINANCE, TOGETHER WITH ALL SYMBOLS, MARKINGS AND TABLES APPEARING ON SAID MAP AND WITHIN THE ORDINANCE; CREATING A PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION AND DEFINING ITS POWERS AND DUTIES; CREATING A BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT AND DEFINING ITS POWERS AND DUTIES; CREATING A BUILDINGS AND STANDARDS COMMISSION AND DEFINING ITS POWERS AND DUTIES; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY FOR VIOLATION; PROVIDING FOR NON-CONFORMING USES AND A METHOD OF DISCONTINUANCE THEREOF; DEFINING CERTAIN TERMS AS USED WITHIN THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR A CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY AND COMPLIANCE; AUTHORIZING

PUBLICATION OF THE DESCRIPTIVE CAPTION AND PENALTY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00) FOR EACH AND EVERY OFFENSE; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; AND PRESERVING RIGHTS IN PENDING LITIGATION REGARDING VIOLATIONS UNDER THE EXISTING ORDINANCE.

After a brief discussion Councilmember Choyce made a motion and seconded by Councilmember Council to approve the first reading of Ordinance O-02-07 Kaufman Zoning Ordinance. Mayor Bacon called for a vote with all voting AYE, the motion carried. Councilmember Fortner and Councilmember Altom were absent.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

7. Consider Approval Of An Appropriation Of Funds For Emergency Repairs On A Philadelphia Mixer At The Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Director of Public Works Richard Underwood informed the Council that the Wastewater Treatment Plant has a total of four (4) Philadelphia mixers that provide air to the facilities four main treatment basins through a mixing action. All of these mixers have been rebuilt in the past with the latest being rebuilt last season. On one of the first units rebuilt, Staff began recognizing a vibration in the unit and hearing a noise within it. A pump repair company was contacted and they stated that the bearings were worn and the unit needed to be shut down and repaired. Also, the shaft was warped and had to be repaired.

Currently the plant is operating normally. However, the city needs this unit back in service prior to May when the ammonia permitted levels are reduced. During the colder months, the ammonia parameters are 5mg/l and during the summer months it reduces to 3mg/l. This is the same problem we experienced when we received the ammonia violation a few years back.

Staff currently has one cost estimate in the amount of \$17,500 to make these repairs. Staff will acquire 2 additional cost estimates prior to approval of the work. Staff is requesting a total of \$25,000 to be appropriated from Water/Wastewater reserve funds to make these repairs and cover any unknowns that may be found after the unit is dismantled.

Staff recommended that Council appropriate \$25,000 from W/WW reserve funds to make emergency repairs on the WWT Plant Philadelphia Mixer.

Mayor Pro-Tem Bounds moved and seconded by Councilmember Ratcliffe to approve an appropriation of funds for emergency repairs on a Philadelphia Mixer at the Wastewater Treatment Plant in the amount of

\$25,000.00. Mayor Bacon called for a vote with all voting AYE, the motion carried. Councilmember Fortner and Councilmember Altom were absent.

8. Consider Approval Of Resolution R-04-07 Of The City Council Of The City Of Kaufman, Texas To Become A Cooperative Member Of The Local Government Purchasing Cooperative.

Director of Public Works Richard Underwood informed the Council that this Resolution would authorize the City to become a member of the Local Government Purchasing Cooperative. It is a local government purchasing program. Like HGAC, they have pre-bid all items and through the broad participation of vendors offer the lowest cost to its members. This program is widely used by schools and is also offered to local governments and non-profit organizations.

No costs are required to execute this Resolution. As with HGAC any fees by the agency is collected at the time of purchase by the vendor.

Staff recommended that Council approve Resolution R-04-07 to become a cooperative member with the Local Government Purchasing Cooperative.

Councilmember Choyce moved and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Bounds to approve Resolution R-04-07 Of The City Council Of The City Of Kaufman, Texas To Become A Cooperative Member Of The Local Government Purchasing Cooperative. Mayor Bacon called for a vote with all voting AYE, the motion carried. Councilmember Fortner and Councilmember Altom were absent.

9. Consider Approval And Authorize the City Manager to Execute An Interlocal Participation Agreement With The Local Government Purchasing Cooperative.

Director of Public Works Richard Underwood informed the Council that after approval the City Manager would execute the Interlocal Participation Agreement with the Local Government Purchasing Cooperative. Like HGAC, they have pre-bid all items and through the broad participation of vendors offer the lowest cost to its members. This program is widely used by schools and is also offered to local governments and non-profit organizations.

No costs are required to enter into this agreement. As with HGAC any fees by the agency is collected at the time of purchase by the vendor.

Staff recommended that Council approve and authorize the City Manager to execute an Interlocal Participation Agreement with the Local Government Purchasing Cooperative.

Councilmember Council moved and seconded by Councilmember Ratcliffe to approve and authorize the City Manager to execute an Interlocal Participation Agreement with the Local Government Purchasing Cooperative. Mayor Bacon called for a vote with all voting AYE, the motion carried. Councilmember Fortner and Councilmember Altom were absent.

10. Consider Approval and Authorize The Purchase Of One (1) New Tractor and Flex-Winged Mower For The Parks Department Through The Local Government Purchasing Cooperative Contingent (Buy Board) Upon Execution Of All Documents.

Director of Public Works Richard Underwood informed the Council that City Staff just presented a resolution to the Council to become a member of the Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (Buy Board). This program offers members the opportunity to purchase goods and services from pre-bid contracts. Using these services through Buy Board will meet the City's competitive bidding requirements.

Staff reviewed the Buy Board website and located Four Brothers Outdoor Power in Royse City, Texas to purchase one tractor and flex winged mower. Four Brothers Outdoor Power is the contracted vendor for this type of equipment. Four Brothers was then contacted for a cost submittal meeting our specifications. All specifications requested were within the approved options as listed by the contract.

Four Brothers Outdoor Power in Royse City, Texas submitted a total purchase price of \$32,910. A total of \$38,500 was allocated in FY' 2006-2007 in the Park budget for the purchase of 1 new tractor and flex-winged mower.

Staff recommended that Council approve the purchase of a new tractor and flex-winged mower from the Buy Board vendor Four Brothers in Royse City, Texas for the total purchase price of \$32,910 contingent upon Buy Boards execution of all documents.

Councilmember Ratcliffe moved and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Bounds to approve and authorize the purchase of One (1) New Tractor and Flex-Winged Mower for the Parks Department through the Local Government Purchasing Cooperative Contingent (Buy Board) upon execution of all documents in the amount of \$32,910.00. Mayor Bacon called for a vote with all voting AYE, the motion carried. Councilmember Fortner and Councilmember Altom were absent.

11. Consider Approval and Authorize The Purchase Of One (1) New 2008 Ford Dump Truck For The Street Department Through The Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (Buy Board) Contingent Upon Execution Of All Documents.

Director of Public Works Richard Underwood informed the Council that the City Council just approved a resolution to become a member of the Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (Buy Board). This program offers members the opportunity to purchase goods and services from pre-bid contracts. Using these services through Buy Board will meet the City's competitive bidding requirements.

Staff reviewed the Buy Board website and located Philpott Motors LTD in Port Neches, Texas to purchase one 2008 Ford Dump Truck. Philpott Motor is the contracted vendor for this type of vehicle/equipment. Philpott Motors was then contacted for a cost submittal meeting our specifications. All specifications requested were within the approved options as listed by the contract.

Philpott Motors LTD in Port Neches, Texas submitted a total purchase price of \$48,249. A total of \$50,000 was allocated in FY' 2006-2007 in the Street budget for the purchase of one (1) new 2008 Ford Dump Truck.

Staff recommended that Council approve the purchase of a new Ford dump truck from the Buy Board vendor Philpott Motors LTD in Port Neches, Texas for the total purchase price of \$48,249 contingent upon Buy Boards execution of all documents.

Mayor Pro-Tem Bounds moved and seconded by Councilmember Choyce to approve and authorize the purchase of One (1) New 2008 Ford Dump Truck for the Street Department through the Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (Buy Board) contingent upon execution of all documents in the amount of \$48,249.00. Mayor Bacon called for a vote with all voting AYE, the motion carried. Councilmember Fortner and Councilmember Altom were absent.

12. Consider Approval And Authorize the City Manager to Execute A Final Quantity Change Order For The 2006 Street Rehabilitation Program.

Director of Public Works Richard Underwood informed the Council that after approval the City Manager would execute a final quantity change order for the 2006 Street Rehabilitation Program. This is our annual street rehabilitation program that included street overlays and some base repairs. During the course of this project some streets required the widths to be widened, which required an increased amount of asphalt to be used.

Therefore, a final quantity change order is required to complete this contract.

This change order will increase the overall contract for JRJ Paving, LP in the amount of \$8,666.33. This will increase the original contract amount from \$336,344 to the final contract amount \$345,010.36. Adequate funds are available within the current Fiscal Year 2006-2007 budget under street maintenance.

Staff recommended approval and authorize the City Manager to execute the final quantity change order in the amount of \$8,666.33 to JRJ Paving, LP.

Councilmember Council moved and seconded by Councilmember Choyce to approve and authorize the City Manager to execute the final quantity change order in the amount of \$8,666.33 to JRJ Paving, LP. Mayor Bacon called for a vote with all voting AYE, the motion carried. Councilmember Fortner and Councilmember Altom were absent.

13. Consider Approval of Resolution R-05-07 of the City Council of the City of Kaufman, Texas authorizing the City Manager to execute a Joint Election Contract for Election Services with Kaufman County Elections Department.

City Secretary Jo Ann Talbot informed the Council that upon approval of Resolution R-05-07 the City Manager would execute a contract with the Kaufman County Elections Department to hold a joint election for City of Kaufman and the Kaufman Independent School District. The contract specifies the County and City's responsibilities.

Last year the County held the City's election for two main reasons. First was the new federal law requiring the use of accessible electronic voting systems. Counties were provided grant funds to purchase the required equipment. Second, Kaufman County held a bond election at the same time as the city and school election. Therefore, the new machines were not available for the City to lease. The joint contract worked well for the school and city.

This year KISD and the City are proposing a joint election to be held and conducted by Kaufman County. The County has trained Staff for the new electronic voting systems. Early voting and Election Day will be at the Kaufman County Annex, 100 N. Washington Street. This will benefit the City and KISD citizens to vote at one location during early voting. The move to the County should be an easy transition for the citizens to vote because they voted there last year and this will encourage greater voter participation by maintaining consistency of voting locations.

Dick Murphy, County Election Officer has estimated a cost of \$3,300 for the City's portion to hold the election. The programming of the new electronic voting systems alone is \$1,500.00. The City Secretary's Fiscal Year Budget allows for the \$3,300.00 for the General Election.

Councilmember Choyce moved and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Bounds to approve Resolution R-05-07 of the City Council of the City of Kaufman, Texas authorizing the City Manager to execute a Joint Election Contract for Election Services with Kaufman County Elections Department. Mayor Bacon called for a vote with all voting AYE, the motion carried. Councilmember Fortner and Councilmember Altom were absent.

14. Consider Approval of Resolution R-06-07 of the City Council of the City of Kaufman, Texas calling the annual City Election set for May 12, 2007.

City Secretary Jo Ann Talbot informed the Council that Resolution R-06-07 calls the City's annual Municipal General Election. The resolution sets May 12, 2007 election day to elect one (1) Mayor and three (3) Councilmembers. It also provides a notice to be published, sets the dates of early voting, as well as appointing the early voting clerk.

Councilmember Council moved and seconded by Councilmember Ratcliffe to approve Resolution R-06-07 of the City Council of the City of Kaufman, Texas calling the annual City Election set for May 12, 2007. The Mayor called for a vote with all voting AYE, the motion carried. Councilmember Fortner and Councilmember Altom were absent.

15. Consider Approval of the Notice of Election to be issued by the Mayor, in accordance with the Texas Election Code, Section 3.004 and calling for a Municipal General Election to be held on Saturday, May 12, 2007 for the purpose of electing One (1) Mayor and Three (3) Councilmembers.

Councilmember Choyce moved and seconded by Ratcliffe to approve the Notice of Election to be issued by the Mayor, in accordance with the Texas Election Code, Section 3.004 and calling for a Municipal General Election to be held on Saturday, May 12, 2007 for the purpose of electing One (1) Mayor and Three (3) Councilmembers. Mayor Bacon called for a vote with all voting AYE, the motion carried. Councilmember Fortner and Councilmember Altom were absent.

16. Consider Approval and Authorize the City Manager to enter into a Financial Services Agreement with the Kaufman Economic Development Corporation.

City Manager Curtis Snow informed the Council that the Financial Service Agreement is a new agreement between the City and Kaufman Economic

Development Corporation. It provides for financial services, such as, accounts payable, recordkeeping, payroll, audit preparation, administration services, etc.

The financial arrangement that the City had with KEDC was included in the agreement between KEDC and the Chamber. When KEDC and the Chamber revised their agreement the City was excluded. Therefore, this financial agreement would provide for the services as outlined in the agreement between KEDC and the City of Kaufman.

The agreement provides for the KEDC to pay the City of Kaufman \$225.00 monthly for the services. Previously KEDC paid the City \$200.00 per month for services.

Staff recommended approval. The KEDC Board approved the agreement on Monday, February 12, 2007.

Councilmember Ratcliffe moved and seconded by Councilmember Council to approve and authorize the City Manager to enter into a Financial Services Agreement with the Kaufman Economic Development Corporation. Mayor Bacon called for a vote with all voting AYE, the motion carried. Councilmember Fortner and Councilmember Altom were absent.

17. Consider Approval of Resolution R-07-07 of the City of Kaufman, Texas, opposing H.B. 651; supporting repeal of Gas Reliability Infrastructure Program (GRIP) Statute; and joining cities for reasonable gas rates.

City Manager Curtis Snow gave an overview of the reasons why the Council should support Resolution R-07-07. After discussion Councilmember Choyce moved and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Bounds to approve Resolution R-07-07 of the City of Kaufman, Texas, opposing H.B. 651; supporting repeal of Gas Reliability Infrastructure Program (GRIP) Statute; and joining cities for reasonable gas rates. Mayor Bacon called for a vote with all voting AYE, the motion carried. Councilmember Fortner and Councilmember Altom were absent.

18. Consider Approval and Authorize the City Manager to Execute an Agreement with Buxton to perform retail market analysis and other services for an amount not to exceed \$60,000, a shared cost with Kaufman Economic Development Corporation over a three-year period.

City Manager Curtis Snow informed the Council that the City and Kaufman Economic Development Corporation (KEDC) reviewed proposals from three different firms to perform a "retail leakage" analysis of the Kaufman area. After reviewing all three proposals it was found Buxton was the firm that would best suit the needs of Kaufman at this time. Their approach is

to purchase databases that identify where Kaufmanites are making their purchases and what kinds of services and goods they are purchasing. This was a strong aspect to have per the City Manager and the KEDC Executive Director who recommends this firm.

The City Council has already approved the appropriation of \$35,000 for this project and the KEDC has approved another \$30,000. This contract would call for \$30,000 of City funds and \$30,000 of KEDC funds.

The project would enable the KEDC to have specific data, in a format recognized nationally by retail site location professionals that will influence the decisions made by national retail chains when looking for new markets. Without this information, Kaufman will find it very difficult to show retailers there is a viable market in Kaufman.

The end result of this effort is to attract more retail to Kaufman in a time frame that will bring a reasonable return on the investment made toward this contract. If Kaufman can attract one new retail business by the use of this information in three years, the City and KEDC will experience, through sales tax revenues, sufficient revenue to pay for this contract. KEDC recommends approving this project.

Half of this contract will be paid for in three fiscal years by KEDC. The City will pay for the remainder in a similar fashion.

Staff recommended the Council authorize the City Manager to execute this contract.

After discussion Councilmember Choyce moved and Councilmember Ratcliffe seconded the motion to approve and authorize the City Manager to Execute an Agreement with Buxton to perform retail market analysis and other services for an amount not to exceed \$60,000, a shared cost with Kaufman Economic Development Corporation to be paid for in three fiscal years. Mayor Bacon called for a vote with all voting AYE, the motion carried. Councilmember Fortner and Councilmember Altom were absent.

APPOINTMENTS

19. Consider Appointment of three (3) Members to the Keep Kaufman Beautiful Board for a two-year term through March 2009 and one (1) unexpired term through March 2008.

Councilmember Council moved and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Bounds to reappoint Shana Holder, Mary Rene Cline, and Janice Lindsey to the Keep Kaufman Beautiful Board for a further two (2) year term through

2009. Mayor Bacon called for a vote with all voting AYE, the motion carried. Councilmember Fortner and Councilmember Altom were absent.

One vacancy still exists.

20. Consider the Appointment of Four (4) Park and Recreation Board members for a two year term through 2009 and One (1) unexpired term through March 2008.

After discussion Mayor Pro-Tem Bounds moved to appoint Lisa Miles and Scott Andrews to the Park and Recreation Board for a two year term through 2009. Mayor Bacon called for a vote with all voting AYE, the motion carried. Councilmember Fortner and Councilmember Altom were absent.

21. Consider nominations for a Farmers Market Committee.

City Manager Curtis Snow informed the Council that Carolyn Long had expressed an interest regarding the Farmers Market Project. She had several names that may be interested to serve on the committee. Staff needs to get back in touch with Ms. Long. After discussion this agenda was tabled.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM CITY MANAGER.

City Manager Curtis Snow reminded the City Council of the Kaufman County Day in Austin for March 4th and 5th.

The City received a TXU settlement check for \$11,291.00.

The sales tax revenue is up for the first of the year by \$55,000.00.

REQUEST/COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL.

Mayor Pro-Tem Bounds inquired about the building on the square at the corner of Mulberry and Washington Street. City Manager Curtis Snow reported that the last update was that the building walls had been stabilized although the roof was non-existing. Mr. Snow commented that he was not sure if the City could demand the building to be condemned if a structural engineer declares the structure safe. He reported that he would discuss it with the Development of Services to send it to the Building Standards Commission. If the building comes down then you have a whole on the square. After some discussion the Council asked for Staff to place this issue on the Agenda next month.

Mayor Pro-Tem Bounds inquired about the burned building on the square known as the Feed Store Restaurant. City Manager Curtis Snow reported that

the city has been in contact with the property owner and had no response for the clean up. The property owner reports to the City he is waiting for the insurance money before he cleans the property. The Building Standards Commission will start a process to demolish the burned structure. If the city removes the burned building then a lien would be placed on the property.

Mayor Pro-Tem Bounds inquired about the nursery (green house) on East Mulberry Street. He asked if the green house building would be removed. City Manager Curtis Snow reported that he would follow up on Mayor Pro-Tem Bounds inquiry.

Mayor Pro-Tem Bounds asked about the status regarding the refurbishment of the water towers. City Manager Curtis Snow reported the specification had not been returned from the Engineers.

ADJOURNMENT.

Councilmember Council moved and seconded by Councilmember Choyce to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 p.m. Mayor Bacon called for a vote with all voting AYE, the motion carried. Councilmember Fortner and Councilmember Altom were absent.

PAULA BACON
MAYOR

ATTEST:

JO ANN TALBOT
CITY SECRETARY