

CITY OF HORSESHOE BAY
CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

January 11, 2011

The City Council of the City of Horseshoe Bay held a Public Meeting at City Hall, January 11, 2011, beginning at 3:00 p.m. in accordance with duly posted notice of said meeting with the following members present:

Robert W. Lambert, Mayor
Claudia Haydon, Mayor Pro Tem
Cynthia Clinesmith, Councilwoman
Phillip Lee, Councilman
Fred Owen, Councilman
Jeff Robinson, Councilman

The posted agenda for this meeting is made a part of these minutes by attachment and the minutes are herewith recorded in the order the agenda items were considered, with the agenda subject and item number shown preceding the applicable paragraph.

1. Call to Order and Establish a Quorum: Mayor Bob Lambert called the Public Meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. with a quorum present. Councilwoman Clinesmith was not present at the time the meeting was called to order.
2. Invocation: Reverend Pete Christy Senior Pastor of the Church at Horseshoe Bay gave the invocation.
3. Pledges to the Flags: Mayor Lambert led the pledges of allegiance to the United States flag and the Texas flag. He welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked that anyone who would like to make comments please sign the sheet on the podium.
4. Public Comments (those speaking are asked to limit their comments to three minutes): Drew Crosby with the Horseshoe Bay Business Alliance said January 26, 2011 will be the first Community Coffee with City leaders this year. Mr. Crosby added they have also set April 14th as the date for this year's Spring Fling.
5. Items to be removed from the Consent Agenda: Mayor Lambert said he would like the Council to consider Item 6b. as a separate item.

6b. Resolution to Designate The Llano News as the City's Official Newspaper:

Mayor Lambert stated the City has historically used The Llano News as the City's Official newspaper. In addition, they also require that all notices required by law also be published in The Horseshoe Bay Beacon. The Beacon does not meet all of the requirements necessary to be named the Official Newspaper. There has been a request by the President of The Highlander newspaper that they also be considered for designation as the official newspaper.

Mayor Lambert recused himself from the discussion stating that although his wife is not an employee of the Horseshoe Bay Beacon she does write feature articles for them. Councilwoman Haydon made the motion to take no action on this item at this time to allow time for the bid process and to place it on next month's agenda for consideration. The motion was seconded by Councilman Owen. The motion passed unanimously (4-0).

6. Consent Agenda Items:

- a. Minutes of the December 7, 2010 Public Workshop and the December 14, 2010 Public Meeting
- c. General Fund Budget Amendment for a Line Item Transfer of \$200,000 from the Capital Outlay for the Police Department Building Project to the Contingency Line Item

Councilman Lee made the motion to approve the remainder of the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilman Robinson. The motion passed unanimously (4-0).

7. Monthly Statistical Departmental Data Reports:

- a. City Manager; Administration; Community Services; Development Services; Fire Dept.; and Police Dept.

City Manager Stan Farmer said that four *Children at Play* signs had been installed on Gazelle Street as requested by the Council at the December Council meeting. The deer trapping is complete per the permit for 200. Mr. Farmer said had met with the architects, contractor, HSB Police Chief Bill Lane and Police Lt. Jay Bauman for the routine construction meeting regarding the Police Building. Construction is on time and the building should be complete in June. The letters sent out allowing the City to remove some of the dead trees along 2147 expire this week.

8. Lot Clearing in Horseshoe Bay South: City Manager said fire safety is the main concern for clearing. The staff and contractors have designated an area of 400 lots and this is within the budget. Councilman Owen made the motion to proceed with lot clearing in the Horseshoe Bay South area. The motion was seconded by Councilman Robinson. The motion passed unanimously (4-0).

9. Park Advisory Committee: Mayor Lambert said during the 2009 budget process the Council allocated \$50,000 for improvements to Martin Park. He has been working with City Manager Stan Farmer and they thought it would be a good idea to form a Park Advisory Committee to offer recommendations to the Council for these improvements now and in the long term. Councilman Lee asked City Attorney Rex Baker about liability on the park. Mr. Baker said if the equipment is installed properly and well maintained there could be no liability on the part of the City. Mayor Lambert asked that the request for volunteers for the Committee be included in the newspaper articles and that anyone interested in serving submit a brief resume to City Secretary Teresa Moore no later than February 7th at 5:00 p.m. Mayor Lambert said he believed this committee could meet several times in the next six months or so and the make their recommendations to the Council. This item would be on the February agenda for further consideration.

Councilwoman Clinesmith arrived at 3:23 p.m.

10. City Council Chamber Expansion: Mayor Lambert said this item was first discussed several meeting ago. City Manager Stan Farmer said he had met with architect Walter Barrineau and he had drawn limited plans to add 10 feet on the south end of the chamber. The chamber is approximately 27 feet wide. This would add approximately 30 additional seats and would not require additional HVAC. Mr. Farmer said rough cost estimates were from \$28,000 to \$49,000. The Council discussed the option of adding 20 feet. The cost to draw a set of complete plans necessary to go out for bids is \$6,200. Councilwoman Haydon made the motion to request the architect draw complete plans for adding 20 additional feet to the Council chambers. The motion was seconded by Councilman Lee. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

11. The City Council, meeting as the Board of Adjustment, will Conduct a Public Hearing and Possible Action Regarding:

- a. Request for a 6½ Foot Variance in the 25 Foot Front Yard Setback Requirement to Allow Construction of a Golf Cart/Storage Addition on Lot No. 17015 (111 Nimrod)

Mayor Lambert convened a public hearing at 3:36 p.m. He asked if there were any comments. There were none, and he adjourned the public hearing. Development Services Manager Eric Winter said this applicant came to the Council in February for a variance request to add a two-car addition to the existing garage. Later it was determined that the existing garage was already in the front yard setback. The applicant has now changed the variance request to only add a golf cart addition to the existing garage. However, a second variance is necessary for the existing garage. Council is being asked to approve both variances. Councilwoman Haydon made the motion to approve the two variances. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Clinesmith. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

12. Public Hearing and Consideration to Determine Whether the Following Structures Should Have an Order for Repair Under Article 3.04 Substandard Buildings of the City Code Section 3.04.006:

- a. 1303 Prospect, Lot 20027 of Horseshoe Bay Proper
- b. 2401 Saddle Gun, Lot K15054 of Horseshoe Bay South

Mayor Lambert convened a public hearing at 3:40 p.m. He asked if there were any comments. There were none, and he adjourned the public hearing. Eric Broussard, the owner of the property at 2401 Saddle Gun addressed the Council to request additional time to complete this project. The Council agreed allow additional time and requested a status report from staff at the May Council meeting. Development Services Manager Eric Winter explained the owner of the property 1303 Prospect has submitted a letter requesting 90 days to complete the necessary repairs to his property. The Council requested a status report on this property from staff at the March Council meeting. No action was taken regarding the Orders of Repair.

13. Proposed Street Improvement Plan and Funding: Mayor Lambert said he felt the overall opinion of the Plan is positive. There is a Streets Workshop scheduled for January 17th in order to discuss how to implement the Plan if it is approved. There will likely be a vote at the February 15th Council meeting to consider implementing the Plan. Councilwoman

