

**City of Temple  
Monthly Council Meeting  
July 9, 2018, 6:30 PM  
Temple City Hall**

**Council Members Present:** Howard Walden, Tom Wallace, Terron Bivins, Todd Rothwell (present by phone call)

**Council Members Absent:** Richard Bracknell

**Call to Order:**The meeting was called to order at 6:30PM by Mayor Johnson.

**Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance:** The invocation and pledge allegiance was lead by Mayor Johnson.

**Approve the published agenda of this date's City Council Meeting, as presented:** The Mayor asked that one modification be made, to move the public comments to follow new business item number one, so that we could honor the citizens who were present for the resolution in item number one. There was a motion by Council Member Bivins to move public comments to follow new business item number one, second by Council Member Walden. Vote 4-0.

**Public Comments:** none

**Approval of Minutes:**

**June 4, 2018 Regular Meeting:**

There was a motion by Council Member Bivins to approve subject to these changes: Bracknell needs to be listed as not present at the meeting, in item number 7, it should read City Administrator, not attorney, and at the end of the meeting there was a public comment regarding a pothole that needs to be added, second by Council Member Walden. Vote 4-0.

**June 18, 2018 Special Called Meeting:**

There was a motion to approve by Council Member Walden, second by Council Member Bivins, vote 3-1, Council Member Rothwell abstained.

**New Business:**

**1. Adopt a resolution recognizing and honoring the Temple Hot Shots 16 and Under Girls Softball team on the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of it winning a World Championship and also announcing plans for the dedication of the new sign in the City Park commemorating this outstanding group of Temple players and coaches.**

Council Member Walden explained that the council has been working throughout the spring to recognize this ball team. An intern journalist and Mr. Ken Denney have been working on a story for the local paper. A new sign to recognize the team was installed at the ball fields a week ago. He wanted to recognize two people that are no longer with us: Coach Barry Lewis and former Mayor Harry Shadrix and he thanked Mr. Osborne for writing the resolution. Mayor Johnson read the resolution. There was a motion by Council Member Walden to adopt the resolution recognizing the Temple Hot Shots 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of winning a world championship, second by Council Member Bivins. Vote 4-0. Mayor

Johnson thanked Council Member Walden for his work on this project. He introduced Carol Lewis, widow of Coach Barry Lewis, CA Thomas, Vince Matthews and Meagan Matthews Shoemake.

**2. Approve the Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Temple and the Carroll County Board of Commissioners pertaining to the 2018 TSPLOST (Transportation Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax) referendum to be held November 6.**

There was a motion by Council Member Walden to approve, second by Council Member Wallace. Vote 3-1, Council Member Rothwell opposed.

**3. Approve a list of the types of transportation projects and certain specific transportation projects in the City of Temple which would be considered for implementation under the five-year TSPLOST (Transportation Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax) program, if the proposed TSPLOST referendum is approved by Carroll County voters on November 6, 2018.**

City Administrator Bill Osborne explained that Council Member Bracknell suggested to add to the list a city wide system of sidewalks that would connect residential subdivisions. Council Member Bivins suggested adding Old Bremen Road to the list. There was a motion by Council Member Walden to approve the updated list of transportation projects which would be considered for implementation under TSPLOST, second by Council Member Bivins. Vote 3-1. Council Member Rothwell opposed.

**4. Adopt a resolution selecting Chip's Lawn Care Service, Inc., to provide lawn maintenance services on five City of Temple properties for a three-year period starting August 1, 2018, with the price for the first year being \$26,476.00 and with the price for the other two years increasing only in accordance with a specified inflation rate.**

City Administrator Bill Osborne stated the only bid the City received by the deadline was for Chip's Lawn Care. There was a motion by Council Member Walden to adopt the resolution selecting Chip's Lawn Care Service to provide lawn maintenance services for a three year period, second by Council Member Wallace. Vote 4-0.

**5. Approve a 12-month extension of the City of Temple's agreement with Kendall Metering Systems and Solutions for certain services with the City's utility billing operations.**

City Administrator Bill Osborne explained that for the last few years Kendall has been providing technical assistance to the City and we need to continue their services until we get new meters. Kendall gave us a proposal for a second handheld for an additional \$7,500; and after talking to Public Works Director Dwayne Eberhart they determined it was a good idea to purchase this. This equipment will also give us the ability to do remote reading for at least an additional 200 meters. Financial Services Consultant Cynthia Geyer stated that they were able to find money from other lines to cover the expense of software support, the equipment, and license needed to continue service with Kendall. The two current handhelds will be turned in and we will receive a credit for them to go towards the two new handhelds. The revised cost is \$24,755. There was a motion by Council Member Wallace to approve the 12 month extension agreement with Kendall, with the funding coming from their budget, second by Council Member Walden. Vote 4-0.

**6. Report by the City Administrator concerning issuance of a Request for Proposals (RFP) to the six major manufacturers of water meters in the United States pertaining to the City of Temple's plan to purchase and install new water meters for residential and non-residential customers, in accordance with the City Council's action during its June 4 regular monthly meeting regarding issuance of an RFP.**

City Administrator Bill Osborne said he has been working on this and he talked with several vendors at GMA that manufacture meters. He met with Public Works Director Dwayne Eberhart and City Engineer

Howard Ray and they determined that we should send RFPs to the six major manufacturers of meters in the US. When asked when the RFPs would go out, Mr. Osborne stated that he hopes it will be within the next 30 days.

**7. Authorize the Mayor to sign a new 12-month intergovernmental agreement with Carroll County for the Sheriff's Office to continue to provide inmate crew services to the City of Temple.**

There was a motion by Council Member Walden to authorize the Mayor to sign the intergovernmental as long as it is the same and we are paying the same amount, second by Council Member Bivins.

Vote 4-0.

**8. Establish one additional full-time Police Patrol job slot in the Police Department and recruit to fill this new position, using funds already in the 2018 Police Department budget to provide compensation for this position during the remainder of the 2018 fiscal year.**

Chief Lee explained that they have a part time employee, Charles Thompson who has been with the City for just over three years and works 2-3 days a week. The City needs another full time officer, the position has been posted, and Mr. Thompson has applied. He explained they are trying to have 3 officers on shift and having another full time employee will help with this and reduce over time pay. Council Member Bivins questioned is it ok to change this employee from part time to full time since they will now receive benefits and it's a new position. City Attorney Rob Monroe said if the description was already posted there is nothing else you need to do.

City Administrator Bill Osborne stated that we do need to create an additional job slot using funds already in the budget. Osborne further explained that it is not on the agenda and usually when someone is hired they come to the meeting and are introduced and he said that could possibly happen at the next meeting. City Attorney Rob Monroe said they could establish the position and then if they choose to do so they can approve the hiring without having to bring him back. Walden stated that hiring is not on the agenda and Bivins asked if we were hiring him in at the same salary and Chief Lee confirmed that we are. Mayor Johnson asked since it is not on the agenda can they do this? City Attorney Rob Monroe said that they can move forward with this. Council Member Bivins made a motion to establish an additional full time patrol officer job slot, second by Council Member Walden. Vote 4-0. Mayor Johnson stated that Chief Lee's recommendation for this position is Charles Thompson. There was a motion by Council Member Bivins to approve Charles Thompson for the Temple Police Department full time patrol officer position as recommended by Chief Lee, second by Council Member Rothwell. Vote 4-0.

City Administrator Bill Osborne stated since we did not take action in the budget process we may have to amend the budget in some way, but at this time there are sufficient funds available.

**9. Approve an extension to the City of Temple's contract with Fiscal Services Consultant Cynthia Geyer, with the new ending date being October 31, 2018.**

There was a motion by Council Member Bivins to approve an extension of Cynthia Geyer's contract with the end date being October 31, 2018, second by Council Member Wallace. Vote 4-0.

**10. Approve re-advertising for the position of City of Temple Finance Director, with the advertisements being published during the first three weeks of August.**

Financial Consultant Cynthia Geyer stated that the ad is going to be run for two weeks, unless the council determines they want to run it for three weeks. There was a motion by Council Member Bivins that the ad be advertised for two weeks in August, second by Council Member Walden. Vote 4-0.

**11. Approve a \$2,500.00 budget for the 2018 Founder's Day event, with said funds being part of the Special Events line item (100-11100-57.9500) in the Governing Body General Fund budget.**

There was a motion by Council Member Bivins to approve the \$2,500 budget for Founder's Day, second by Council Member Walden. Vote 4-0.

**12. Discussion of amendments to the SPLOST 2015 budget, as well as the budget for capital purchases and projects that were presented during the City Council committee meetings on June 21, 2018.**

Financial Services Consultant Cynthia Geyer explained that we are continuing the discussion of updating and amending the 2018 budget and are working on a capital budget. We will have more discussion and will wait to vote at our next meeting.

**13. Approve the purchase for the Temple Police Department of two 2018 Ford Explorers from Allan Vigil Ford for \$28,819.00 each, being a total for the two vehicles of \$57,638.00; and approve the outfitting of these police vehicles with the Upfitter Police Package and camera system, with said purchases of the vehicles and the equipping being made with 2015 SPLOST dollars not to exceed \$85,000.00.**

There was a motion by Council Member Walden to approve the purchase of two Ford Explorers from Allan Vigil Ford not to exceed \$85,000 and being funded by SPLOST dollars, second by Council Member Bivins. Vote 4-0.

**14. Discussion of the General Fund Investment CD that is maturing on July 21, 2018, in the amount of \$42,782.40; decide what action to take.**

After a brief discussion, there was a motion by Council Member Bivins that we redo the CD at the 2.4% rate for 24 months at whatever bank is willing to offer it. If Bank of North Georgia does not want to match it, we will go to Bank of the Ozarks, second Council Member Walden. Vote 4-0.

**15. Consider certain actions to improve communications among the City of Temple government, coaches and recreation league officials, and citizens regarding various parks and recreation programs and activities, in accordance with the report presented at the June 21 City Council committee meetings.**

City Administrator Bill Osborne said we are taking the criticisms of the Rec Department to heart and we want to look at ways of improving communication. He would like to wait until the Rec Chairman, Council Member Bracknell is back in town. He would like to have meetings over the next few weeks to get a handle on some of these issues, and he will involve the Committee Chair and staff and he will report back.

**16. Report on the agenda of the Tuesday, July 17, meeting of the City of Temple Planning Commission.**

The Planning Commission will meet on July 17<sup>th</sup> and will have follow up with the Council on several items at the August 6<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**17. Report on plans for the Thursday, July 26, Public Visioning Meeting being held at the Senior Center as part of the continuing work by the City of Temple Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee.**

City Administrator Bill Osborne reported that the Public Visioning Meeting will take place from 6:30-8:00PM at the Temple Senior Center on July 26<sup>th</sup>. We want to get input from the citizens concerning the future for the City of Temple.

**18. Report by the City Administrator concerning a request made by a citizen during your regular monthly meeting on June 4 for payment of a repair bill on his vehicle; discussion and a decision by the City Council.**

City Administrator Bill Osborne explained that Mr. Parrish said that his vehicle was damaged by two potholes on Little Vine Rd, one being in the Temple city limits, the other in Haralson county. It occurred on April 7, 2018 and three months later he made the request for reimbursement for the repair. We talked with Haralson County and they stated he has not made any requests of them for reimbursement. After a brief discussion, no action was taken.

**19. Brief personnel report from the City Administrator.**

City Administrator Bill Osborne stated that one of our employees has had charges made against him. There will be a pre termination hearing in the morning conducted by he and Public Works Director Dwayne Eberhart. He will make a recommendation and a report to the council before the end of this week.

**Executive Session, if needed: n/a**

**Closing Comments:**

**Osborne-** we had a request from a church to have a street dance, if we have it, it should be where the previous one has been next to the library. The plan is to get back in touch with the church tomorrow and tell them it can't be on a state highway.

**Walden-** He is excited about having the Hotshots resolution being approved and honoring the team.

**Mayor-** The Temple Lady Tigers Softball camp will be July 12 & 13<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$20 per day which includes a tshirt. There is a fundraiser for THS softball: Family Fun Night with the movie Dispicable Me 3, July 13<sup>th</sup> at 8:15PM at THS.

**Adjournment:** There was a motion to adjourn by Council Member Walden, second by Council Member Bivins. Vote 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:05PM.

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Michael Johnson, Mayor

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City Clerk