

**City of Temple
Monthly Council Meeting
October 1, 2018, 6:30 PM
Temple City Hall
Minutes**

Council Members Present: Terron Bivins, Richard Bracknell, Howard Walden, Tom Wallace

Call to Order

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

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

The Invocation and Pledge was led by Mayor Johnson

Approve the published agenda of this date's City Council Meeting, as presented

Public Comments:

Linda Ledbetter- had requested to speak at the meeting, but was not present.

Amy Camp- requested that the City waive the Saturday, October 6, rental fee at the Senior Center for a fund raiser for the Temple Branch Library, to be held by the Friends of the Library. The Council had no objections waiving the fee for this event. City Attorney Mike McRae explained that as long as the Council had no objections, they could approve this request without it being an agenda item.

Approval of Minutes:

September 4, 2018 Regular Meeting

There was a motion by Council Member Walden to approve, second by Council Member Bracknell. Vote 4-0.

September 18, 2018 Joint Meeting with City Council & Planning Commission

There was a motion by Council Member Bracknell to approve, second by Council Member Wallace. Vote 4-0.

New Business:

1. Presentation by Carroll County School Superintendent Scott Cowart.

Carroll County School Superintendent Scott Cowart thanked everyone for the opportunity to share what they are doing in Carroll County and specifically in Temple schools. Also present were Board Member Sandra Morris, Temple High School Principal Mr. Tim Gribbin and Assistant Principal Lisa Puckett. Two books were given to the council members: the Temple Cluster Schools annual report and the district annual report. He stated that as a district, this year we have gone over 15,000 students; that is up 137 students from last year. The Temple cluster is up to 2,717 which is an increase of 174 students over the past five years. For the past year, Carroll County has done something that has never been done before, the graduation rate was just over 90%; Temple High School was at a 92.1% rate; this is the third consecutive year Temple High has been over 90%. Our school district is in the top 18% in the state. Temple Cluster School Providence Elementary was only the second school in our district to earn STEM certification. Temple High School has been recognized as an AP challenge school. He also explained

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district wide highlights including: the College Career Academy, the Performing Arts Center and the emphasis placed on safety within the schools. The Mayor and Council Members expressed their appreciation of the partnership that that City has with the school system.

2. Conduct a public hearing on a request for a Variance on residential property in the Lakeshore subdivision, which is zoned Design Concept Development (DCD), for the purpose of relocating the property line between two adjacent lots located at 179 Waters Edge Parkway (Lot 180) and 185 Waters Edge Parkway (Lot 179) whose respective boundaries are set forth in a survey dated July 26, 2018, and revised as of September 18, 2018. Application by property owner Trademark Quality Homes, Inc. Mayor Johnson asked if anyone was present who would like to comment on the variance request. No one was present to speak for or against the request. The Mayor then closed out the public hearing.

3. Approve a request for a Variance on residential property in the Lakeshore subdivision, which is zoned Design Concept Development (DCD), for the purpose of relocating the property line between two adjacent lots located at 179 Waters Edge Parkway (Lot 180) and 185 Waters Edge Parkway (Lot 179) whose respective boundaries are set forth in a survey dated July 26, 2018, and revised as of September 18, 2018. Application by property owner Trademark Quality Homes, Inc. City Administrator Bill Osborne explained that the Temple Planning Commission recommends approving the request for a variance. There was a motion by Council Member Bracknell to approve the request for a variance, second by Council Member Walden. Vote 4-0.

4. Authorize the City of Temple Public Works Department to secure the services of the Carroll County Public Works Department to do prep work and then apply the final pavement topping on Iverson Place, which is the only street in the Tiffany Mills residential subdivision, with said project being funded by payments made by residential builders in this subdivision through the City's Roadway and Infrastructure Project Improvement Fee Ordinance and by revenues in the City's General Fund that will be reimbursed when additional funds are collected by the City as the remaining vacant lots are developed in the Tiffany Mills subdivision.

There was a motion by Council Member Bracknell to authorize the Public Works Department to secure the services of Carroll County to do the prep work and final pavement topping on Iverson Place, second by Council Member Wallace. Vote 4-0.

5. Adopt a resolution to apply the City of Temple Roadway and Infrastructure Project Improvement Fee to the Azalea Hills residential subdivision and to the Lakeside residential subdivision effective as of October 1, 2018, in accordance with the City's Roadway and Infrastructure Project Improvement Fee Ordinance.

City Administrator Bill Osborne explained at the work session, we had three subdivisions we were looking at and it was decided to focus on these two. Staff has had a conversation with the builder/developer of Azalea Hills. He suggested that we possibly have a Special Called meeting in a week so that this could further be researched and discussed. The resolution tonight mirrors the original resolution. Steve Oexmann of Wade Journey Homes was present at the meeting. He stated that he and Mr. Osborne have been working together to try to come up with a resolution that works for everyone. He said he understands the burden should not be placed on the tax payers and he thought that a week would not be enough time to do this. Council Member Bivins questioned if there was a reason why we are not doing this across the board for all subdivisions at the same time. Mr. Osborne explained that because of the economic downturn, some subdivisions were left with many vacant lots and unfinished roads and these are the two locations we are looking at at this time. There was a motion by Council

Member Bracknell to take this item off of the table for future consideration, second by Council Member Wallace. Vote 4-0.

6. Approve the joint resolution of Carroll County and the cities of Temple, Carrollton, Villa Rica, Bowdon, Bremen, Mount Zion, Whitesburg, and Roopville to adopt a new Service Delivery Strategy Agreement to reflect these governments' preferred arrangements for the provision of local services throughout the County and to authorize the Mayor to execute the Agreement and Service Delivery Strategy Update Certification on behalf of the City of Temple, with the effective date being upon the approval by all necessary parties.

City Administrator Bill Osborne explained that this was talked about at the committee meeting. A memo was received today by the county attorney that was given to all council members. There are a few minor changes but it does not affect the City of Temple at all. Mr. Osborne spoke to the City Attorney about this and they think we can move forward with this. There was a motion to approve the joint resolution by Council Member Bracknell, second by Council Member Walden. Vote 4-0.

7. Authorize the Mayor, City Administrator, City Attorney, and representatives of Raymond James & Associates, Inc., to communicate and negotiate with the Carroll County Water Authority regarding plans for the refunding bond transaction of the City of Temple's water bond debt.....Tom Owens

Tom Owens from Raymond James was present at the meeting to answer any questions. There were no questions. There was a motion to proceed by Council Member Bivins, second by Council Member Walden, vote 4-0.

8. Consider investing United Community Bank CD 7150 in the amount of \$77,564.51 in a new Certificate of Deposit account at Synovus Bank at the best rate of return for the time period decided by the Mayor and Council. These investment funds may be invested in their own account OR combined with Synovus Bank CD 6135, maturing in December 2018, for a total of \$329,322.04 at the best rate of return for the time period decided by the Mayor and Council.

Mayor Johnson explained that we are still waiting for additional information from Synovus, so we should entertain a motion to table this for the future, or possibly next week's special called meeting. There was a motion by Council Member Bivins to table items eight and nine until we hear back from Synovus, second by Council Member Walden. Vote 3-1, Council Member Bracknell abstained.

9. Consider investing Synovus Bank CD 3465 (Water Fund CD) in the amount of \$251,757.53 at Synovus Bank at the best rate of return for the time period decided by the Mayor and Council.

This item was tabled, along with item eight, during the presentation of agenda item number eight.

10. Adopt the City of Temple Fiscal Year 2019 Budget Calendar, as presented by Fiscal Services Consultant Cynthia Geyer.

There was a motion by Council Member Bracknell to adopt the Fiscal Year 2019 budget calendar, second by Council Member Walden. Vote 4-0.

11. Authorize the Mayor to sign an agreement with the CPA firm of Warren Averett for preparation of the City of Temple's 2018 Audit.

City Administrator Bill Osborne explained that at the last committee meeting he was directed to follow up with Warren Averett because the City was interested in using them again for another year of service. There are two terms of agreement, one for the traditional audit, and a second census audit which is

required by the State. The services are the same, but the cost has gone up a little bit as it has every year. The cost for the current census audit is \$5,800 and it will go up to \$6,000. For the regular audit we were quoted \$30,000 which is up a little bit from last year.

12. Authorize the City Public Works Director to solicit bids for installation of a new roof on the old Public Works Building, with the City obtaining alternate quotes for replacing the current style roof and for construction of a gabled roof.

There was a motion by Council Member Brackenell to authorize the Public Works Director to solicit bids for installation of a new roof on the old Public Works building, second by Council Member Bivins. Vote 4-0.

13. Announce that this year's City of Temple Fall Cleanup will be held on Saturday, October 20, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. at the corner of Johnson Street and Milner Street.

Public Works Director Dwayne Eberhart announced that the fall clean up will take place on Saturday October 20th. It has been advertised on the website and banners will go up around town. He encouraged citizens to attend and to invite their neighbors.

14. From among the three responding companies, select the company with whom the City of Temple will contract to provide equipment for the new playground in the City Park.

At the committees meeting last week information and quotes were given from three companies for the new playground. City Administrator Bill Osborne explained that there were questions about the warranty information, and that has now been provided to the council members. Recreation Department Director Joe Wilson recommended the company Play South who was the low bidder. A representative from Play South, Ray Graham, was present at the meeting. He addressed some concerns that came up at the committees meeting regarding ADA compliance of the equipment. He stated that the structure is ADA compliant, he also stated that only 5% of children in wheelchairs are able to play on structures due to issues such as upper body strength. He said there is an ADA compliant transfer station with this equipment and children can transfer from wheelchairs. Additional equipment could be added, such as an ADA compliant swing, at an additional cost. He explained that the City was awarded a grant, so we would basically be getting \$100,000 worth of equipment for half of the price. There was a motion by Council Member Bracknell to approve the playground purchase with Play South with the funding to come from 2008 SPLOST, second by Council Member Bivins. Vote 4-0.

15. Report on quotes obtained by the Recreation Department on fencing replacement and/or repairs, and consideration of possible action by the City Council.

Recreation Department Director Joe Wilson explained he currently has two quotes on the fencing, and should be receiving the third quote in the morning. City Administrator Bill Osborne explained if the City has a special called meeting next week, that this would be added to the agenda.

16. Consider approval of changes in the plans for the new press box facilities in the City Park as presented by River Bottom Farm, and consider whether to contract with said company to build the new press box based on a consideration of these changes in plans for said project.

City Administrator Bill Osborne explained that we have a revised bid from Dale Rinehart for the construction of the press box. He realized he made a mistake in his calculation. His original bid was \$28,750 with the revised bid being \$21,750, a decrease of \$7,000. Mrs. Bivins had asked for an additional breakdown of the bid which he provided. He is going to continue with treated wood as discussed. The price of \$28,750 includes a contingency of up to \$1,500 that would have to be approved by the City if it was needed. There was a motion by Council Member Bracknell to accept the revised bid

of \$21,750 by River Bottom Farms, second by Council Member Walden. Vote 3-1. Council Member Wallace opposed.

Executive Session

There was a motion by Council Member Bracknell to go into Executive Session regarding a personnel matter, second by Council Member Bivins. Vote 4-0.

The City Attorney Mike McRae asked if they would be voting on anything after the meeting. It was determined that they would not be. Executive Session began at 7:42PM.

At 7:58Pm, the council reconvened in the lobby. There was a motion by Council Member Bracknell to come out of Executive Session, second by Council Member Wallace. Vote 4-0.

Closing Comments

Howard Walden- wanted to say again what a great job the Special Events Committee did with Founders Day Festival.

Richard Bracknell- stated that he gave everyone information from the personnel committee for them to review.

Adjournment

There was a motion to adjourn by Council Member Bracknell, second by Council Member Walden. Vote 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:01 PM.

Mayor Johnson

City Clerk