

Minutes

Francis City Council Meeting Thursday, October 10, 2013 Francis City Community Center 7:00 p.m.

Attending: Mayor R. Lee Snelgrove, Councilmember's Baldwin, Crittenden, Forman, Melendez, City Engineer Scott Kettle, City Attorney Kraig Powell, City Planner Rae Prescott and City Recorder Suzanne Gillett

Others Attending: Bill Leavitt, Susan Cann, Julie Keyes, Heather Fox, Porter Fox, Charles Gillett, Quinn Gillett and Maddie Gillett

1. Welcome & Introductions—The Mayor welcomed all in attendance.

2. Special Presentation—The Mayor turned the time over to Councilmember Baldwin. Councilmember Baldwin presented belt buckles to Porter Fox and Quinn Gillett for the exceptional Eagle Projects that they both did for the City, they both went above and beyond.

The Mayor said that they estimated that about 1000 hours were put in the Eagle Projects done by both young men. The City Council wanted them to know that they did a great job! The City has received a lot of positive comments on the appearance of the arena & grounds.

3. Public Comments—The Mayor asked if there were any public comments, there were none.

4. Public Hearings—None

5. Discussion, Updates and Approval on Potential Action Items

Bill Leavitt asked the Council if they could discuss the mobile building that is up in Wolf Creek Ranches that is for sale. He would like the City to purchase it for their City Offices.

The Mayor told Bill that they could discuss it, but that no action could be taken.

The Mayor informed Council and all in attendance that he had spoken with Bill Leavitt and Rusty Webster and that there was a mobile building up in Wolf Creek Ranches that they were trying to sell and they feel that it would make a nice City Office. The Mayor explained that he and Councilmember Crittenden had been up to look at the building. He also explained to the Council and those in attendance how the building looked on the inside and outside.

Councilmember Crittenden said that yes, the outside needed work, but the inside was incredible and he does not feel that they could purchase anything in that price range.

Bill Leavitt said that the price of around \$70,000 would include the set up and everything.

The Mayor felt that you could have Council meetings in the building, and if you had a big meeting then they could move to the recreation center. He informed the Council that he has spoken with Planning Chair Julie Keyes about the project, he has also spoken with Planning Inspector Eric Averett and he suggested setting it on a permanent foundation.

Bill Leavitt informed Council that it had a new membrane on the roof, and the Mayor said the snow load up in Wolf Creek Ranches is higher than here in Francis.

City Engineer Kettle suggested putting the building in a location where you could still build something permanent at a later date. There was some discussion on what could be done.

Councilmember Melendez feels that we need it, the town is growing so fast. He feels that this is a need not a want. They need to do something.

Charles Gillett informed the Council that there is a building pretty much identical to the one up Wolf Creek out by Stock Builders that looks nice on the outside and maybe they should look at it for some ideas.

Susan Cann said “she felt that if you do a public hearing there will be too much contention and nothing will move forward”. The Council needs to make a decision on what should be done.

Attorney Powell informed Council that they would not need to have a public hearing unless they had to do a budget amendment.

Julie Keyes feels that the current City building is just not going to last, the Council needs to do something. If the City has the money she feels that it would be crazy not to take advantage of it.

Councilmember Crittenden feels that as long as they are not borrowing money, they should go for it.

Council decided to go into a brief executive session to discuss the purchase of real property. City Recorder Gillett took a brief set of minutes.

Councilmember Crittenden made motion to adjourn executive session and Councilmember Melendez seconded the motion. The Mayor and Councilmember’s Baldwin, Crittenden, Forman and Melendez all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Councilmember Melendez made a motion to give permission to the Mayor to negotiate a price with Rusty and that the Council will hold another Council Meeting this month to discuss the negotiated price, and to decide if they want to move forward or not. Councilmember Baldwin seconded. The Mayor, Councilmember’s Baldwin, Crittenden, Forman and Melendez all voted in favor. The motion passed.

The Mayor said he would meet with Rusty Webster and Bill Leavitt tomorrow at 9:30 am.

A. Fee & Rate Schedule Discussion—The Mayor stated that they wanted the Planning Commission to review the rates, but they had just done that. Attorney Powell understood that they wanted more clarification on, was allowing overnight camping. The Mayor explained that they had a request to have a

campout retreat, if the City was willing to do that, how much would that cost? He asked Julie Keyes if the Planning Commission could discuss that or if that was something they want to stay away from, and if they did think it would work what would the rates be. Julie said that the Planning Commission would review.

The Mayor informed Council that the City put in for the Rap Tax Grant and another grant, so the City could move forward with the Master Plan and plant some more trees.

B. Review and passage of Election Resolution—The mayor informed all in attendance that the City has gone past the deadlines for everything and that they can cancel the elections because there is only one person running for each seat. The Mayor read the resolution.

Attorney Powell stated that it was like they were being elected.

Councilmember Melendez made a motion to approve Resolution 2013-08 to cancel elections. Councilmember Forman seconded the motion. The Mayor, Councilmember's Baldwin, Crittenden, Forman, and Melendez all voted in favor. Motion passed.

C. Update on Sewer Project—Engineer Kettle informed all in attendance that they have been working with the state and they have some issues. Someone has been after the state to not allow the project to happen. He wants to make sure that the State and Francis City are on the same page. They have a meeting scheduled for Wednesday of next week. They are moving forward with that. The state has changed the lining to clay on pond four. Councilmember Forman wanted to know why, he was told it is cheaper and it allows infiltration.

After talking with the state they have a game plan on how to proceed. Before they were not looking at nutrient levels, but now they are.

The Mayor explained that the County wanted the State to come and be a part of the meeting with Eastern Summit County. The big thing is that they need to know what they are going to do with the discharge.

The Mayor stated that Attorney Powell will be at that meeting also. Engineer Kettle reviewed again everything that is going on with the state.

D. Federal Employees Concerns—The Mayor would like the Councilmembers to keep their eyes open in the community to see if there are any government employees who may need help in some way. The Mayor would just like to be sensitive to their conditions.

E. (F). Rodeo Contract—The Mayor turned the time over to Councilmember Forman. Councilmember Forman explained that he and the Mayor had met with the Mascara's and gone over everything. Councilmember Forman was very impressed with how the Mascara's ran things. So, they discussed what their options were for the next few years. He informed the Council that Mascara's gave them three different proposals, and he reviewed them with the Council. They did discuss having a two day rodeo and what the pros and the cons would be. Mascara's feel that we should keep things the way they are for the next couple of years.

The Mayor said that he would need to raise the total cost \$400 for a contract of three years. Currently this is there only rodeo on this weekend.

Councilmember Forman feels the increase is not too huge to swallow and it's a good idea to lock into the three years with an option to cancel should the need arise. Maybe they just do it for three years.

Attorney Powell wanted to know about the insurance. RMPRA is sanctioned, Monday would not be. They need to have insurance. He feels that it's better to have the extra coverage. There was some discussion.

Councilmember Forman made a motion subject to the changes discussed and then do a resolution. Councilmember Crittenden seconded the motion. Mayor Snelgrove, Councilmember's Baldwin, Crittenden, Forman and Melendez all voted in favor. Motion passed.

G. Change in Planning Commission numbers---The Mayor apologized to Julie for not talking with her. Mayor Snelgrove informed her that they are releasing Bryan Betourney from the Planning Commission, so there would be six members and that they should either release one more or add one more. There was some discussion about whether to release one more or keep one as an alternate.

Councilmember Melendez made a motion to change the number of members on the Planning Commission to five instead of seven and have one alternate. Bryan Betourney will be released and they will keep John Barclay as an alternate. Councilmember Crittenden seconded the motion. Mayor Snelgrove, Councilmember's Baldwin, Crittenden, Forman and Melendez all voted in favor. Motion passed.

6. Council Business

A. Council Reports—Update on Frontier Days Celebration—Brief discussion.

B. Mayor Reports--None

C. Financial & Upcoming Events—None

D. Report & Approval of Bills Paid—The Mayor reviewed all of the bills and the operational budget.

Councilmember Baldwin made a motion to approve the check register. Councilmember Melendez seconded the motion. Mayor Snelgrove, Councilmember's Baldwin, Crittenden, Forman and Melendez all voted in favor. Motion passed.

E. Approval of Minutes from September 12, 2013—***Councilmember Melendez made a motion to approve the minutes of September 12, 2013. Councilmember Baldwin seconded the motion. Mayor Snelgrove, Councilmember's Baldwin, Crittenden, Forman, and Melendez all voted in favor. Motion passed.***

Councilmember Crittenden made a motion to go into executive session to discuss pending or reasonably Imminent Litigation and Acquisitions of Real Property. Councilmember Melendez seconded. Mayor Snelgrove, Councilmember's Baldwin, Crittenden, Forman and Melendez all voted in favor. Motion passed.

7. Closed Executive Session to Discuss Pending or Reasonably Imminent Litigation and Acquisitions of Real Property. Office Building

Councilmember Crittenden made a motion to go back to regular session and go home. Councilmember Melendez seconded the motion. Mayor Snelgrove, Councilmember's Baldwin, Crittenden, Forman and Melendez all voted in favor. Motion passed.

8. Meeting adjourned

Minutes accepted as to form this _____ of November 2013.

Mayor R. Lee Snelgrove

City Recorder Suzanne Gillett