MINUTES CITY OF TEAGUE

BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR CALLED MEETING MARCH 15, 2021 6:00 P.M.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCE QUORUM IS PRESENT: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Mayor James Monks and a Quorum was announced.
- 2. INVOCATION: Alderman Mathison
- 3. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: Mayor Monks
- 4. ROLL CALL: <u>Present: Present</u>: James Monks, Mayor, Jerry Ballew, Mayor Pro Tempore / Alderman Place I, Rhonda Jones, Alderman Place II, Marilyn Michaud, Alderman Place III, Chris Nickleberry, Alderman Place IV, and Ryan Mathison, Alderman Place V Absent: None
- 5. VISITORS/CITIZENS COMMENTS: None

6. CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. Approve Minutes from the January 19, 2021 Meeting of the Board of Aldermen
- b. Approve the Accounts Payable and Payroll Check Registers for the months of January and February 2021
- c. Accept the Financial Statement for January and February 2021
- d. Accept the Teague Police Department's 2020 Racial Profile Report Alderman Jones made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items 6 A., B., C. and D., seconded by Alderman Michaud. Motion carried 5-0.

7. PUBLIC HEARING:

a. Conduct a Public Hearing for the purpose of receiving citizens input regards to declaring the below vehicles a public nuisance:

Public Hearing opened at 6:05 P.M.

Citizens James Stephens, address 421 Spruce Street, spoke regarding the following three vehicles and his comments are noted below each related item.

- 1993 White Ford Passenger Car TX LP-SPH848: VIN# 2FACP74W9PX146561, located 421 Ash Street Teague, TX
 - Mr. Stephens commented that his son recently in about the last 3 or so weeks purchased this vehicle and has not had the chance to do the paperwork to update the ownership. He requested additional time to allow for his son to get the appropriate documentation completed.
- 2003 Gray Ford Pickup TX LP- AS82373: VIN# 1FTSW31S93EB76514, located 421 Ash Street Teague, TX
 - Mr. Stephens commented that he has the vehicle completely covered with a tarp in his front yard and the registration has been expired for about 3 or 4 years.
- 1999 White Dodge Van TX LP- DNS8539: VIN# 1B4GP44L8XB876798, located 421 Ash Street Teague, TX
 - Mr. Stephens commented that he has the vehicle completely covered with a taro in his back yard and the registration has been expired for several years.
- 1987 Red & White Dodge Pickup TX LP- SH4525: VIN# 1B7FN14M6HS475392, located 105 Clio Street Teague, TX

No comments received for this item.

The Mayor announced the following would not be discussed due to the violations were resolved prior to the meeting:

- 1997 White Chevrolet Pickup TX LP-1MJ777: VIN# 1GBHC34R1VF053318, located at 521 Clio Street Teague, Texas
- 1998 Black Dodge Pickup TX LP- BM24670: VIN# 3B7HC12Y0WM222773, located 701 Spruce Street Teague, Texas

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- 2000 White Chevrolet Pickup TX LP- BJ90493: VIN# 1GBJC34J6YF443766, located 421
 Ash Street Teague, TX
- 1984 Brown Chevrolet Pickup TX LP- AS82326: VIN# 2GCDC14H7E1126575, located 320 N. 8th Avenue Teague, TX
- 1984 Gray Chevrolet Passenger Car TX LP- HNM22S: VIN# 1G1AZ37H1ER226065, located 320 N.8th Avenue Teague, TX
- 1981White Chevrolet Pickup TX LP- 1DC439: VIN# 1GCEK14H2BF320717, located 521 Spruce Street, Teague TX

Public Hearing closed at 6:13 P.M.

8. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. Discussion and possible action on entering a finding regarding the public nuisance status of the 1997 White Chevrolet Pickup TX LP-1MJ777: VIN# 1GBHC34R1VF053318, located at 521 Clio Street Teague, Texas and approving Resolution 2021-03-15.

 Alderman Ballew moved to take no action on Agenda Items 8 A., B., D., H., I., and J., seconded by Alderman Nickleberry. Motion carried 5-0.
- b. Discussion and possible action on entering a finding regarding the public nuisance status of the 1998 Black Dodge Pickup TX LP- BM24670: VIN# 3B7HC12Y0WM222773, located 701 Spruce Street Teague, Texas and approving Resolution 2021-03-15-A. Alderman Ballew moved to take no action on Agenda Items 8 A., B., D., H., I., and J., seconded by Alderman Nickleberry. Motion carried 5-0.
- c. Discussion and possible action on entering a finding regarding the public nuisance status of the 1993 White Ford Passenger Car TX LP-SPH848: VIN# 2FACP74W9PX146561, located 421 Ash Street Teague, TX and approving Resolution 2021-03-15-B. Chief Philpott presented pictures and documentations related to this violation.
 - Alderman Mathison made a motion to approve Agenda Item C., seconded by Alderman Jones. Motion carried 5-0.
- d. Discussion and possible action on entering a finding regarding the public nuisance status of the 2000 White Chevrolet Pickup TX LP- BJ90493: VIN# 1GBJC34J6YF443766, located 421 Ash Street Teague, TX and approving Resolution 2021-03-15-I.

 Alderman Ballew moved to take no action on Agenda Items 8 A., B., D., H., I., and J., seconded by Alderman Nickleberry. Motion carried 5-0.
- e. Discussion and possible action on entering a finding regarding the public nuisance status of the 2003 Gray Ford Pickup TX LP- AS82373: VIN# 1FTSW31S93EB76514, located 421 Ash Street Teague, TX and approving Resolution 2021-03-15-C. Chief Philpott presented pictures and documentations related to this violation.
 - Alderman Ballew moved to approve Agenda Item 8 E., seconded by Alderman Jones. Motion carried 5-0.
- f. Discussion and possible action on entering a finding regarding the public nuisance status of the 1999 White Dodge Van TX LP- DNS8539: VIN# 1B4GP44L8XB876798, located 421 Ash Street Teague, TX and approving Resolution 2021-03-15-D. Chief Philpott presented pictures and documentations related to this violation.
 - Alderman Jones moved to approve Agenda Item 8 F., seconded by Alderman Nickleberry. Motion carried 5-0.
- g. Discussion and possible action on entering a finding regarding the public nuisance status of the 1987 Red & White Dodge Pickup TX LP- SH4525: VIN# 1B7FN14M6HS475392, located 105 Clio Street Teague, TX and approving Resolution 2021-03-15-E. Chief Philpott presented pictures and documentations related to this violation.

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- Alderman Nickleberry made a motion to approve Agenda Item 8 G., seconded by Alderman Jones. Motion carried 5-0.
- h. Discussion and possible action on entering a finding regarding the public nuisance status of the 1984 Brown Chevrolet Pickup TX LP- AS82326: VIN# 2GCDC14H7E1126575, located 320 N. 8th Avenue Teague, TX and approving Resolution 2021-03-15-F. Alderman Ballew moved to take no action on Agenda Items 8 A., B., D., H., I., and J., seconded by Alderman Nickleberry. Motion carried 5-0.
- i. Discussion and possible action on entering a finding regarding the public nuisance status of the 1984 Gray Chevrolet Passenger Car TX LP- HNM22S: VIN# 1G1AZ37H1ER226065, located 320 N.8th Avenue Teague, TX and approving Resolution 2021-03-15-G. Alderman Ballew moved to take no action on Agenda Items 8 A., B., D., H., I., and J., seconded by Alderman Nickleberry. Motion carried 5-0.
- j. Discussion and possible action on entering a finding regarding the public nuisance status of the 1981 White Chevrolet Pickup TX LP- 1DC439: VIN# 1GCEK14H2BF320717, located 521 Spruce Street, Teague TX and approving Resolution 2021-03-15-H.

 Alderman Ballew moved to take no action on Agenda Items 8 A., B., D., H., I., and J., seconded by Alderman Nickleberry. Motion carried 5-0.
- k. Discussion and possible action on approving a Benefits Consulting and Brokerage Service proposal; authorize contracting with the approved company; and authorize the City Administrator to coordinate with the approved company to seek benefit proposals for upcoming budget years.

 Alderman Mathison made a motion to approve Agenda Item 8 K. as presented, seconded by Alderman Ballew. Motion carried 4-1. (Alderman Jones voting Nay)
- 1. Discussion and possible action on approving additional paid time off to the employees that worked during the recent winter storm.

 Alderman Mathison made a motion to approve awarding employees who worked the winter storm 80 plus hours 3 additional Paid Time Off Days, employees who worked 40-79 hours 2 additional Paid Time Off Days and those who worked less than 40 or undocumented 1 additional Paid Time Off Day, seconded by Alderman Nickleberry. Motion carried 5-0.
- m. Discussion and possible action on approving write off request for uncollectable utility bills for deceased customers.

 Alderman Nickleberry made a motion to approve Agenda Item M, seconded by Alderman Jones.

 Motion carried 5-0.
- n. Receive, discuss, and take action on the Teague Economic Development Corporation's status of hiring a director.
 - EDC President Stephanie Burns explained that the EDC has posted the job opportunity on TML's website but has not received any applications.
 - Alderman Ballew moved to take no action on Agenda Item 8 N., seconded by Alderman Jones. Motion carried 5-0.
- o. Discussion and possible action on the status of the bridge on Mimosa Lane.

 City Administrator Bell and Public Works Director explained the need for the City to address the state of the bridge on Mimosa Lane and that it was addressed in the 2019 Capital Improvement Plan. They also explained that residents in the direct area contacted the City and are requesting that the bridge be closed to vehicles and converted to a walk over type bridge.
 - *The Board of Aldermen reviewed the different type of options and cost.*
 - Alderman Nickleberry made a motion to take no action at this time but to present this in the upcoming budget planning, seconded by Alderman Ballew. Motion carried 5-0.

At 7:30 P.M. Open Session convened into Executive Session

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- 9. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** In accordance with Texas Government Code, Section 551.001, et seq., the Board of Aldermen will recess into Executive Session (closed meeting) to discuss the following:
 - a. § 551.072: Conduct an executive session as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.072 to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property: Old City Hall
 - b. § 551.087: Deliberation regarding economic development negotiations re: Teague Economic Development Corporation's Old City Hall.

At 7:40 P.M. Executive Session convened into Open Session

10. **RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION** - In accordance with Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, the City Council will reconvene into Regular Session to consider action, if any, on matters discussed in Executive Session.

Alderman Ballew moved to take no action on Agenda Item 9 A. and B., seconded by Alderman Jones. Motion carried 5-0.

- 11. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:
 - Administration Theresa Bell, City Administrator
 - Courts Theresa Bell, City Administrator
 - Public Works Jacob Cowling, Public Works Director
 - Police Department DeWayne Philpott, Chief of Police
 - Library Diane Willis, Librarian
 - EDC

Aldermen reviewed the reports.

- 12. ANNOUNCEMENTS: Alderman Ballew thanked all of the staff for their efforts during the recent winter storm.
- 13. **ADJOURN:** *Mayor Monks adjourned the meeting at 7:42 P.M.*

The meeting adjourned.

The City of Teague,

Theresa Bell, City Secretary / Administrator

James Monks, Mayor