



MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
April 4, 2017 - 7:00 P.M.

The City Council of the City of Forest Hill met on the above date at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Gerald Joubert presiding. The following Council Members and officials were present. Mayor Pro Tem Ozell Birks, Cameron Wafer, Carlie Jones, Michielle Benson, Clara Faulkner, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Malinda Miller, City Manager Sheyi I. Ipaye, City Secretary Othel Murphree, and City Attorney Warren Spencer.

Opening Agenda:

A. Call to Order

With a quorum present Mayor Joubert called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

B. Invocation

Mayor Pro Tem Birks delivered the invocation.

C. Pledge of Allegiance to Flags

Pledges to the United States and Texas flags were recited.

D. Presentations/Recognitions:

Mayor Joubert recognized the following individuals and made presentations to Mr. Goldsby and Mr. Sims. He also presented the Citizens on Patrol with the keys to a vehicle for their use while on patrol.

Recognition of Mr. Raymond Goldsby
Presentation of Vehicle to the Citizens on Patrol
Recognition of School Resource Officer "SRO"
Recognition of T. A. Sims, FWISD Board of Education Trustee – District 4
Proclamation - Mayor and County Recognition Day for National Service

Pearl Jones, Chairman of the Parks, Recreation and Clean City Commission, briefed the Council of the following upcoming events:

- Spring and Fall City-wide Clean-up
- Family Fun Day
- Volunteer for a Day – Park Beautification
- Yard of the Month Program
- MLK Parade

E. Citizens Presentation: At this time, any person with business before the City Council not scheduled on the agenda may speak to the City Council, provided that a "Speaker's Request Form" has been completed and a summary of item(s) for

attendance.

After Mr. Saunders gave his report the following citizens expressed grave concerns about the possibility of their property flooding if the city allowed any new construction in the area to continue:

- Veleria Jo Cowsen, 3225 Yorktown Drive
 - James Winfrey, 3213 Yorktown Drive
 - Robert Overton, 3233 Yorktown Drive
- Report regarding Forest Hill Seventh Day Adventist Church 6th Annual Parade.

The City Manager, Sheyi Ipaye, reported that the Forest Hill Seventh Day Adventist Church would have their 6th annual parade "Catch the Vision" April 23, 2017 at 3:00 p.m.

- Report regarding Council Meeting Conduct Rules.

The City Manager, Sheyi Ipaye, reported that at the City Council Retreat (November 2016) the Council had come to an understanding that if a Council Member wanted something on a City Council agenda they were to provide the item and any related documents to the Mayor or City Manager on Friday two weeks before the meeting, so any research that may be needed can be finished before the packets are distributed. He went on to state that if there were multiple items requested more time may be needed to prepare the items for discussion and/or consideration by the Council.

J. RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION - Pursuant to Section 551.071, Texas Government Code, the Council reserves the right to convene in Executive Session(s) from time to time as deemed necessary during this meeting for any posted agenda item, to receive advice from its attorney as permitted by law.

- a. Pursuant to Section 551.071. Consultation with City Attorney to receive information regarding Michelle Benson v. City of Forest Hill.
- b. Pursuant to Section 551.071. Consultation with City Attorney to receive information regarding Stephanie Boardingham v. City of Forest Hill.

Mayor Joubert stated the Council would not be convening into an Executive Session because the City Attorney had no new information for the Council on either lawsuit.

K. Reconvene into Regular Session.

L. Take any action necessary pursuant to executive session.

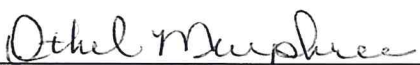
M. Meeting: The next Council Meeting will be May 16, 2017

N. Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, Mayor Joubert adjourned the meeting at 8:19 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:


Othel Murphree, City Secretary


Lyndia Thomas, Mayor