

City of Wallis
Regular City Council Meeting
Wednesday, November 15, 2023

This is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular City Council meeting for the City of Wallis, Texas held on Wednesday, November 25, 2023 at 6:00pm.

1. Call to Order

Mayor Little called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Councilmember Joell Prado

3. Roll Call and Certification of Quorum

A quorum was present. Present were Councilmember James King, Councilmember Belinda Halfin, Councilmember Debroha Boren, Council Joell Prado and Mayor Little. Councilmember Clark Main Jr. was absent at roll call, arrived at 9:00pm.

4. Public Hearing – 6407 Commerce Street, Wallis, TX 77485, consider comments from the public On property at 6407 Commerce Street, property has substandard building and numerous nuisance violations, recommendation to repair building to minimum building standards.

b. Closed Public Hearing at 6:11pm.

c. Consider and take action on property located at 6407 Commerce

Motion made by Councilmember Belinda Halfin, second by Councilmember Debroha Boren to move forward with filing order to regulate and abate public nuisances caused by substandard buildings within the City of Wallis, 6407 Commerce, Wallis, TX 77485. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Hearing- 6538 Railroad Street, Wallis, TX 77485, consider comments from the public on property at 6538 Railroad Street, property has substandard building and numerous nuisance violations.

b. Closed Public Hearing at 6:40pm.

c. Consider and take action on property located at 6538 Railroad Street.

Motion made by Belinda Halfin, second by Councilmember James King to give a thirty (30) day extension to Micheal Lagas. He is to report to Council at December meeting with report from Structural engineer on substandard building and have property free of debris. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Communication from the public

None

6. Consent Agenda

Motion made by Councilmember James King, second by Councilmember Belinda Halfin to approve minutes from October 18, 2023 minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

7. Action on Department Reports, if necessary.

- a. Public Works monthly report – No action
- b. Police Department monthly/Admin Report – No action
- c. Municipal Court monthly report – No action
- d. Code Enforcement monthly report – No action

8. Financial Review

Motion made by Councilmember James King, second by Councilmember Belinda Halfin to approve Financial report and payment of bills. Motion passed unanimously.

9. Action on Follow up items, if necessary.

- a. Letters to Landowner on easements for MIT-Grant – letters were mailed out October 24th, seven green cards returned to city & one land owner returned sign form.
- b. Ordinances – Work in progress
- c. Webpage – Bill Murphy has volunteered to work on getting ordinances organized and on website
- d. Subdivision Ordinance workshop meeting- possible date of Wednesday, November 29th
- e. Issue with Grants – No action
- f. Wastewater Permit – Dr. Clay is currently working on permit; Councilmember King will meet with Dr. Clay next week for updates.
- g. Chamber, Police and Chlorine Storage Door – Royce, Public works Director is working on getting quotes.
- h. Work orders- outstanding, submitted, closed – Mayor ask to include in public works monthly report.
- i. MIT-Grant – no update
- j. Annexation of High School – Suggestion that Mayor or Councilmember attend a school board meeting to talk to school board members.
- k. Replacement of City of Wallis sign on Commerce – suggested to get quotes to replace sign, Councilmember Belinda Halfin stated that she would look into getting donations.
- l. Chamber of Commerce updates – Christmas parade will be Saturday, December 16, 2023.

10. New Business

- a. Agenda Request – Paul Manley request for land replat approval – Tabled
- b. Presentation from Seidel Schroeder on 2021 audit – Heather Delso and Michele Kwiatkowski from Seidel Schroeder gave a presentation of the draft copy of the 2021 city audit/single audit. Final audit should be ready first week of December 2023. No action.
- c. Resolution No. 2023-09 – Approving and Authorizing the City Administrator to enter into a memorandum of understanding with TXDOT to install automated license plate readers (ALPR) on TXDOT plies or TXDOT right-of-way in Wallis. Motion made by Councilmember Belinda Halfin,

second by Councilmember Joell Prado to approve Resolution No. 2023-09. Motion passed unanimously.

d. Railroad Street Water Main Extension (Townhome Project) – Tabled

e. Boarding House Permit – Permit was submitted on 11/15/2023

f. EDC Updates – Grant Bids on hold for Downtown project due to single audit. Currently looking at 8th street for food trucks. No action

g. Public Works Maintenance Worker – Tabled

h. Executive Closed Session – Sec. 551.087 Deliberation regarding economic negotiations. Council went into closed session at 8:41pm.

i. Reconvene from Closed Session at 9:14pm. Motion made by Councilmember James King, By Councilmember Belinda Halfin to accept the letter of intent for Heritage Estates Subdivision. Motion passed with four (4) yes votes. Councilmember Clark Main Jr. abstained from voting.

J. Future Agenda Items

1. Use of unused right of way for parking lot
2. 911 issues

11. Adjourn Meeting

Meeting was adjourned at 9:19pm.



Preston Little, Mayor



Sheila Moseley, City Secretary

ATTEST:

