

REGULAR SESSION

DECEMBER 8, 2008

The City Council of the City of Athens met in Regular Session on Monday, December 8, 2008, 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the City Hall Annex with the following members present, to-wit:

Randy Daniel, Mayor
Jerry Don Vaught
Carroll Maberry
Carol Barton

Pam Burton, City Administrator
Pam Watson, City Secretary
Jack Holland, City Attorney

others present: Glen Herriage, Gary Crecelius, Buddy Hill, John McQueary, Haven Cox, David Hopkins, Elaine Coffman, Lauren Ricks and other interested citizens;

with the following member absent: Elaine Jenkins;

constituting a quorum at which time the following proceedings were enacted, to-wit:

The invocation was given by Mayor Daniel.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No action was taken.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER AUTHORIZING APPLICATION WITH TEXAS
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AVIATION DIVISION FOR ROUTINE
AIRPORT MAINTENANCE PROGRAM GRANT

Gary Crecelius, Director of Planning & Development explained that this application is for a 50/50 matching grant that will be used to install a security gate and cameras at the entrance to Athens Municipal Airport at an approximate cost of \$30,000, with the City's portion being \$15,000. After discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Maberry, seconded by Councilmember Vaught to authorize an application with Texas Department of Transportation Aviation Division for RAMP Grant. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER EXTENSION OF ATHENS MUNICIPAL AIRPORT
TENANT AGREEMENT WITH K.R. CRAIGHEAD

Mr. Crecelius explained that Mr. Craighead's Airport Tenant Agreement will expire 12/31/08 and he is requesting a five (5) year extension of the agreement, with a five (5) year option, with the Airport Advisory Board approving the extension on 12/04/08. A motion was made by Councilmember Vaught, seconded by Councilmember Barton to approve a five (5) year extension of Mr. Craighead's Airport Tenant Agreement, as requested. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER LEASE RATES FOR T-HANGARS AT ATHENS
MUNICIPAL AIRPORT

Mr. Crecelius stated that the Airport Advisory Board met on 12/04/08 and recommended that the lease rates for t-hangars remain at \$175 per month. A motion was made by Councilmember Barton, seconded by Councilmember Vaught that lease rates for t-hangars at Athens Municipal Airport remain at \$175 per month. The motion carried unanimously.

**DISCUSS/CONSIDER AWARDING BID FOR CONSTRUCTION OF 18-INCH,
16-INCH AND 12-INCH WATER LINES**

Chris Weeks with Velvin & Weeks Consulting Engineers informed the Council that bids were opened on 12/04/08, with Dual Construction of Texarkana, Arkansas being low bidder at a cost of \$1,522,557. Mr. Weeks stated that he has had personal experience with this company and was pleased with their work. After discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Vaught, seconded by Councilmember Maberry to award the bid for construction of 18-inch, 16-inch and 12-inch water lines to Dual Construction at a cost of \$1,522.557. The motion carried unanimously.

**DISCUSS/CONSIDER APPOINTMENT TO SUBSTANDARD BUILDING
COMMISSION**

City Administrator Pam Burton informed the Council that Reynaldo Zavala has moved outside the City limits and is no longer eligible to serve on the Substandard Building Commission, with Cody Robertson volunteering to fill the vacancy. A motion was made by Councilmember Maberry, seconded by Councilmember Vaught to appoint Cody Robertson to the Substandard Building Commission, effective 12/31/08. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER APPOINTMENTS TO ZONING COMMISSION

Ms. Burton informed the Council that the terms of Cody Robertson and Greg Sanders are expiring from the Zoning Commission. She stated that Mr. Robertson has served two (2) consecutive terms and is ineligible for reappointment, however, Brandon Smith has volunteered for appointment. She stated that Greg Sanders has expressed his desire for reappointment. A motion was made by Councilmember Vaught, seconded by Councilmember Barton to appoint Brandon Smith and to reappoint Greg Sanders to serve two (2) year terms on the Zoning Commission. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER APPOINTMENTS TO AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD

Ms. Burton informed the Council that Ken Craighead and Jerry Waddell recently filled unexpired terms on the Airport Advisory Board and these terms are expiring, with both desiring reappointment. A motion was made by Councilmember Maberry, seconded by Councilmember Barton to appoint Ken Craighead and Jerry Waddell to serve two (2) year terms on the Airport Advisory Board. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER APPOINTMENT TO PARKS BOARD

Ms. Burton informed the Council that the terms of Jay Eckert, Hugh Armstrong and Clyde Bowman, Sr. are expiring from the Parks Board, with all desiring reappointment. A motion was made by Councilmember Vaught, seconded by Councilmember Barton to reappoint Jay Eckert, Hugh Armstrong and Clyde Bowman, Sr. to serve two (2) year terms on the Parks Board. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA;

- A) CONSIDER APPROVING MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 19, 2008 SPECIAL SESSION AND NOVEMBER 24, 2008 REGULAR SESSION
- B) CONSIDER FINAL READING OF AN ORDINANCE REZONING LOTS 52C & 52D, D. HARRISON LEAGUE FROM AGRICULTURE TO SINGLE-FAMILY ATTACHED RESIDENTIAL (TOWNHOMES), OWNED BY CLYAWM, INC./FRED NEELY (CORNER OF ROBBINS RD. & GIBSON RD.)

City Secretary Pam Watson read the Ordinance aloud. A motion was made by Councilmember Maberry, seconded by Councilmember Barton to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

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OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO EXPRESS ITEMS OF CONCERN

There was no discussion and the meeting was adjourned.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 22ND DAY OF DECEMBER, 2008.

Randy Daniel, Mayor

ATTEST:

Pam Watson, City Secretary