

The La Vernia City Council held a Regular City Council Meeting on July 10, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. at the City Hall, La Vernia, and Texas.

Item No. 1. Call to Order Mayor Robert Gregory called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Council members present were Marie Gerlich, Randy Leonard, Harold Schott, Eloi Cormier, and Jennifer Moczygamba. Staff members present were Court/Utility Billing Clerk Paula Burgess, Public Works Director Jason Mills, and Police Sargent Danny Pitts. Planning and Zoning Commissioners Gordon Bake and Dianell Recker were also present.

Item No. 2. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and Mayor Gregory gave the invocation.

Item No. 3. Citizens to be heard The following citizens made comments:

- 1) Terri Leonard – came to discuss the Crisp Realty sign.

Item No. 4. Consent Agenda Councilman Cormier and Councilwoman Gerlich suggested a couple of changes to the minutes from the June 12th Regular City Council meeting. Councilman Leonard made a motion to approve the consent agenda with the suggested changes to the minutes and Councilwoman Gerlich seconded. **Motion carried 5 – 0.**

Item No. 6.A. Public Hearing and Ordinances Mayor Gregory opened the public hearing to receive public comments regarding the re-plat of the “Den Site Restaurant” Lot 1, Block 1, Bluebonnet Road, La Vernia, Texas at 6:37 p.m. Mayor Gregory asked Planning and Zoning (P & Z) Commissioner Bake for P & Z’s recommendation on the re-plat. Commissioner Bake stated that the P & Z had no issues with the re-zone. With no additional comments the public hearing was closed at 6:38 p.m.

Item No. 6.B. Public Hearing and Ordinances Mayor Gregory opened the public hearing to receive public comments regarding the proposed change of zoning classification from present classification of R-2 (General Residence) to C-1 (Retail) for City of La Vernia, Lot #345A, located at 110 Bluebonnet Road, La Vernia, Texas 78121 at 6:38 p.m. With no comments from the public the hearing was closed at 6:39 p.m.

Item No. 6.C. Public Hearing and Ordinance Mayor Gregory explained ORDINANCE NO. 071014-01 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LA VERNIA, TEXAS REZONING CERTAIN PROPERTY AND AMENDING THE CITY’S OFFICIAL ZONING MAP TO REFLECT THE CHANGE OF ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 110 BLUEBONNET ROAD, LOT 345A, LA VERNIA, TEXAS FROM ITS PRESENT CLASSIFICATION OF GENERAL RESIDENCE DISTRICT (R-2) TO RETAIL DISTRICT (C-1) AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. Mayor Gregory asked P & Z Commissioner Bake for the P & Z’s thoughts. P & Z Commissioner Bake stated that this zoning change fits into the long term strategy therefore there were no issues with the change. After some discussion there was some confusion as to the proposed zoning district is. Mayor Gregory stated that the agenda is worded correct so we can proceed with this item. P & Z Commissioner Recker stated that they did not know how many 200 foot notices were sent and how many were returned. Mayor Gregory instructed Clerk Burgess to contact City Secretary Cantu to find out. This item was held until a response was received.

Item No. 6.D. Public Hearing and Ordinance Mayor Gregory opened the public hearing to receive public comments regarding the proposed change of zoning district classification from present classification of R-A (Single Family Residence) to C-1 (Retail) for City of La Vernia, Lot #168 & 169, located at 309 Seguin, La Vernia, Texas 78121 at 6:45 p.m. P & Z Commissioner Bake stated that the Commission tabled the item because it was platted separately and the owner addressed it as one property. P & Z Commissioner Recker stated that a son-in-law of one of the home owners spoke against the proposed change as did the Santos family. The concern of the citizens is what will be built on the back lot in the future if the lot is changed to C-1 (Retail). Mayor Gregory stated that the item is open for public comment however no action will be taken at this time. Councilwoman Gerlich asked if the property was in the flood plan and Mayor Gregory stated that it was. With no further public comment the public hearing was closed at 6:48 p.m.

Item No. 6.E. Public Hearing and Ordinance Mayor Gregory opened the public hearing to receive public comments regarding the proposed change of zoning district classification from present classification of C-2 (General Commercial) to C-1 (Retail) for City of La Vernia, Lot 198A, located at 126 Canfield, La Vernia, Texas 78121 at 6:48 p.m. P & Z Commissioner Recker stated that she asked Mr. McBee, the property owner, which lot this was in reference to. Mr. McBee stated that it was the lot with the brick house on it. At the P & Z meeting City Secretary Cantu stated that this lot was already zoned C-1 so the Commission decided to table the item until there was clarification. With no other public comments, the public hearing was closed at 6:49 p.m.

Item No. 6.C. Public Hearing and Ordinance Clerk Burgess informed Mayor Gregory that she received a response from City Secretary Cantu regarding the 200 foot notices that were sent out regarding the property located at 110 Bluebonnet Road. City Secretary Cantu stated that she did not remember exactly how many sent out but none were returned. Mayor Gregory asked for a motion to approve Ordinance No. 071014-01 to approve the zoning change from present classification R-2 (General Residence) to C-1 (Retail). Councilwoman Moczygomba made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 071014-01 and Councilman Schott seconded. **Motion carried 5 – 0.**

Item No. 7.A. Discussion/Action Mayor Gregory stated that Public Works Director Mills has met with the contractors on the well projects weekly. He stated if anyone has any questions they should contact Public Works Director Mills directly. Mayor Gregory also stated that Mr. Littlefield is working on the filter and backwash.

Item No. 7.B. Discussion/Action Mayor Gregory stated that there were two bids received on the 1999 Ford F-150 pick-up truck. Mayor Gregory opened the sealed bids which read as follows: bid #1 by Eric Thomas in the amount of \$700 and bid #2 in the amount of \$539, but he could not read the name of the bidder. Councilwoman Gerlich asked if there was any research done on the value of the vehicle such as Kelly Bluebook. Public Works Director Mills stated that he had and \$700 was a good price. Councilman Leonard made a motion to accept the bid of \$700 from Eric Thomas and Councilman Schott seconded. **Motion carried 5 – 0.**

Item No. 5.A.-D. Staff/Council Updates Mayor Gregory stated that Councilman Leonard brought the new Crisp Realty sign to his attention and before he proceeds with the issue he would like to review the permit application. Police Sargent Pitts gave the Police Department's monthly report. Public Works Director Mills gave his monthly report.

Item No. 8. Items Specific to Future Line Items on the Agenda Mayor Gregory stated that budget workshops will be coming up. He also stated that he would like to review the building permit fees therefore Council may be seeing it sometime in the near future.

Item No. 9. Adjourn With no further business Councilman Cormier made a motion to adjourn and Councilman Schott seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.



Robert Gregory, Mayor



Angela Cantu, City Secretary-Treasurer



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