

**THE STATE OF TEXAS
CITY OF JUNCTION
COUNTY OF KIMBLE**

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* **REGULAR MEETING – JANUARY 13, 2014**
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The City Council of the City of Junction met in regular session on Monday January 13, 2014 at 6 o'clock in the City Hall Meeting Room with the following members present to-wit:

MAYOR: RAYMOND MCDONALD
ALDERMEN: LAWRENCE F. HARRISON, Place 1
WM. KEATON BLACKBURN, Place 2
BEN WALKER, Place 3
JAMES GAMBLE, Place 4
OLAN RALEY, Place 5
CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER: MARIA ALVARADO

Visitors present were Lee Hall, Michael Miller, Rosa Miller, Dean Ward, James Hodges, James Murr and Patricia Whitty.

Mayor Raymond McDonald called the meeting to order. Chief Ivy gave the invocation.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF MINUTES: DECEMBER 9, 2013, DECEMBER 18, 2013, AND JANUARY 6, 2014

After a discussion, Alderman Harrison made a motion to approve the Minutes and Alderman Walker seconded. After a vote, the motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON LIST OF BILLS AND SUPPLEMENTAL LIST OF BILLS

Chief Finance Officer Maria Alvarado explained that she had received a bill from Nationwide Environmental. She stated that she had been disputing paying the bill and found that it was a scam. Therefore, she will not be paying the bill from Nationwide Environmental listed in the bill list.

After a discussion, Alderman Gamble made a motion to approve the list of bills and the supplemental list of bills. Alderman Raley seconded the motion. After a vote, the motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON FINANCIAL REPORTS

After a discussion, Alderman Gamble made a motion to accept the Financial Reports and Alderman Raley seconded. After a vote, the motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

After a discussion, Alderman Gamble made a motion to accept the Departmental Reports and Alderman Raley seconded. After a vote, Alderman Harrison, Walker, Gamble and Raley voted "aye". Alderman Blackburn abstained.

PUBLIC FORUM

James Murr explained that the Night Skies had replaced over one-hundred and seven lights. The grant that made this possible was from Hill Country Alliance. Mr. Murr stated that there was \$2,500 remaining for the school LED lighting.

Mr. Murr also explained that he had been asked about the excessive watering at the ball fields in the park while there is strict watering rules (Drought Contingency Plan).

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON FIRE DEPARTMENT COST RECOVERY FOR MOTOR VEHICLE CRASH RESPONSES. PRESENTATION BY LEE HALL

Lee Hall explained that in motor vehicle crashes there is a possibility for cost recovery by the response team through insurance companies. Mr. Hall explained that the insurance companies are billed not the customers.

Alderman Harrison made a motion to give authority to the Fire Department to bill insurance companies on cost recovery. Alderman Gamble seconded. After a vote, the motion carried unanimously.

OPEN SESSION: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ACQUISITION OF UNIVERSAL CABLE HOLDINGS, INC. d/b/a SUDDENLINK COMMUNICATIONS PROPERTY, LEASE AGREEMENT WITH SUDDENLINK COMMUNICATIONS, ASSIGNMENT AND ASSUMPTION OF RETRANSMISSION CONSENT AGREEMENT AND EASEMENT WITH THE MARTINEZ'S TO THE PROPERTY

Alderman Harrison stated that Exhibit B is missing and that some of the dates are wrong. Alderman Harrison stated that there needed to be premises.

After a discussion, Alderman Harrison made a motion to table this item to the next meeting and Alderman Gamble seconded. After a vote, the motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ACQUISITION OF UNIVERSAL CABLE HOLDINGS, INC. d/b/a SUDDENLINK COMMUNICATIONS PROPERTY, LEASE AGREEMENT WITH SUDDENLINK COMMUNICATIONS, ASSIGNMENT AND ASSUMPTION OF RETRANSMISSION CONSENT AGREEMENT AND EASEMENT WITH THE MARTINEZ'S TO THE PROPERTY.

The Council did not enter into executive session.

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This item was addressed in a previous item.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON AMENDING THE JUNCTION TEXAS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (JTEDC) BY-LAWS

After a discussion, Alderman Gamble made a motion to amend the Junction Texas Economic Development Corporation by-laws and use the language in the memo. Alderman Raley seconded. After a vote, the motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON AMENDING ORDINANCE 97-0512-02 – HIGH SCHOOL AND YOUTH BASEBALL LEAGUE

Mayor Raymond McDonald explained that he had handed out a possible Ordinance from the City Attorney. He asked for everyone to look over the possible Ordinance which would cover both Ordinance 97-0512-02 and Ordinance designating and regulating the use of City Property for the use and benefit of the Local Little League Baseball Club.

After a discussion, Alderman Harrison made a motion to accept and Alderman Walker seconded. After a vote, Alderman Harrison, Blackburn, Walker, and Raley voted "aye". Alderman Gamble voted "nay". The motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON RETRACTING THE ORDINANCE DESIGNATING AND REGULATING THE USE OF CITY PROPERTY FOR THE USE AND BENEFIT OF THE LOCAL LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL CLUB

This item was discussed in the previous item.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION OF ENTERING INTO CONTRACTS WITH THE JUNCTION ROTARY CLUB AND THE KIMBLE COUNTY MEALS ON WHEELS FOR USE OF WATER UTILITIES

After a discussion, Alderman Gamble made a motion to table the item to the next meeting. Alderman Raley seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Each organizations board is to approve the contract and to be brought back before council.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON REQUIRING A BOND FOR CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER (TREASURER) OF THE CITY ACCORDING TO TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 22.075

After a discussion, Alderman Blackburn made a motion for the bond to be in the amount of \$25,000 at the least. Alderman Gamble seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON PASSING A RESOLUTION FOR THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER (TREASURER) TO BE A SIGNATORY ON FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS WITH FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS WHERE THE CITY HAS MONEY ON DEPOSIT

After a discussion, Alderman Gamble made a motion to pass a Resolution for the Chief Financial Officer (Treasurer) to be a signatory on financial accounts with financial institutions where the City deposits. Alderman Walker seconded. After a vote, the motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPOINTING THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER (TREASURER) AS TREASURER (ACCORDING TO THE JOB DESCRIPTION OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER) OF THE JUNCTION TEXAS TOURISM BOARD AND THE JUNCTION TEXAS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

After a discussion, Alderman Blackburn made a motion to appoint the Chief Financial Officer to the Junction Texas Tourism Board and Junction Texas Economic Development Corporation Board as Treasurer through the City. Alderman Gamble seconded. After a vote, the motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON DETERMINING IF THERE IS A NEED OR POSSIBLE CONFLICT FOR THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER (TREASURER) TO BE THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY/ TREASURER OF THE JUNCTION TEXAS TOURISM BOARD AND TO CONTINUE RECEIVING PAYMENT IN SUCH POSITION

This item was addressed by Mayor Raymond McDonald in the previous item.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ABOUT PREPARING AND SIGNING INTERLOCAL CONTRACTS WITH: KIMBLE COUNTY FOR THE CITY OF JUNCTION TO FURNISH WATER, SEWER AND TRASH COLLECTION SERVICES TO THE LOCATIONS WHERE SUCH SERVICES ARE CURRENTLY BEING FURNISHED

Alderman Harrison made a motion to table the item and Alderman Walker seconded. After a vote, the motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ABOUT PLACING ALL MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE JUNCTION CITY COUNCIL ON THE CITY COUNCIL WEBSITE

Mayor Raymond McDonald explained that the minutes will be placed on the website.

The meeting adjourned this 13th day of January, 2014.

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

MAYOR