## Howe City Council Regular Meeting December 17, 2013

Mayor Jeff Stanley called a regular meeting of the Howe City Council to order at 6:30 p.m. Members present were Bill French, Dennis Bozeman, Debbie Lowery, Georgia Richardson, and Sam Haigis.

Bill French gave the invocation.

PLEDGE TO FLAGS

Mayor Stanley led the pledge to the United States of America and Texas flags.

**PUBLIC REQUEST** 

None

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Sam Haigis, second by Bill French to approve the consent agenda which included financial reports from November 2013 and minutes from October 15, 2013 and November 19, 2013. Motion carried 5 Yes 0 No.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

#### ORDINANCE NO. 730

AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY OF HOWE, ESTABLISHING A GENERAL TRASH CONTAINER ORDINANCE WITHIN THE CITY OF HOWE, TEXAS REQUIRING THAT ALL GARBAGE CONTAINERS PLACED FOR COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OR REMOVAL OF ITS CONTENTS SHALL BE PLACED AT THE DESIGNATED COLLECTION AREA NO MORE THAN TWENTY-FOUR (24) HOURS PRIOR TO 7:00A.M. ON THE DAY SCHEDULED FOR COLLECTION, AND ALL SUCH CONTAINERS MUST BE REMOVED FROM THE COLLECTION LOCATION NO LATER THAN TWENTY-FOUR (24) HOURS AFTER 7:00 A.M. OF THE DAY THE GARBAGE IS COLLECTED; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

### **ORDINANCE NO. 731**

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF HOWE, TEXAS, ESTABLISHING THE KEEP HOWE BEAUTIFUL BOARD; SETTING IT'S OFFICERS; SETTING A NUMBER OF MEMBERS; AND ESTABLISHING POLICY.

### END PUBLIC HEARING

Motion by Bill French, second by Dennis Bozeman, to approve Ordinance #730, Trash Container Ordinance. Yes: Council members French, Richardson, Haigis, and Bozeman. No: Council Member Lowery. Motion carried: 4 Yes, 1 No.

Motion by Sam Haigis, second by Debbie Lowery to approve Ordinance No. 731, Keep Howe Beautiful Board. Motion carried: 5 Yes 0 No.

### **CURRENT BUSINESS**

Becky Hogenson, Library Director, presented the library report for 2012-2013. Motion by Sam Haigis, second by Georgia Richardson to approve the report as read. Motion carried 5 Yes 0 No.

Motion by Bill French, second by Dennis Bozeman to approve the Keep Howe Beautiful Resolution 13-0008. Motion carried 5 Yes 0 No.

Motion by Debbie Lowery, second by Sam Haigis to approve Resolution 13-0009, regarding a Federal Judgeship in Grayson County. Motion carried 5 Yes 0 No.

Laura Duree, Executive Director of the Keep Howe Beautiful Board, and Jonathan Coleman, Vice President of the Keep Howe Beautiful Board, presented a budget and request for financial support from the City of Howe to begin a Crape Myrtle Project and Street sign project. Motion by Sam Haigis, second by Bill French, to provide \$3,000.00 for projects. Motion carried 5 Yes 0 No.

Motion by Bill French, second by Dennis Bozeman, to remove John Cherry, James Doyle and Barbara Alavarado from any and all City of Howe accounts with the Independent Bank of Howe and the authorize the following names be placed on all City of Howe Accounts with the Independent Bank of Howe: Joe Shephard, City Administrator; Jeff Stanley, Mayor; Dennis Bozeman, Bill French, Sam Haigis, Debbie Lowery, and Georgia Richardson; Council Members. Joy Stevens, City Secretary, placed as authorized on the safety deposit box only. Motion carried 5 Yes 0 No.

Motion by Bill French, second by Dennis Bozeman, to approve expenditure of approximately \$18,000.00 for reconstruction of the Police Department Offices. Motion carried 5 Yes 0 No.

The council discussed the declaration of emergency regarding the ice storm of December 5, 2013. No action taken.

## **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

Carl Hudman gave a report for the monthly activities of the Howe Police Department. David Wortham gave a report for the Utility Department. Joe Shephard gave a report for Municipal Court and Administration. Robert Maniet gave a report for the Howe Volunteer Fire Department.

# **ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Secretary