

City of Howe
Regular Meeting
November 18, 2014

Mayor Jeff Stanley called a regular meeting of the Howe City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. Members present were Bill French, Dennis Bozeman, Georgia Richardson, Sam Haigis and Debbie Lowery.

Carl Hudman presented Sergeant Mike Hill a Police Commendation Award for an incident at Howe Estates on March 23, 2014.

INVOCATION

Debbie Lowery gave the invocation.

PLEDGE TO FLAGS

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

Becky Hogenson, Library Director of the Howe Community Library, presented certificates to student volunteers. Terisa O'Dowd presented certificates to student volunteers in the Technology Department. Becky Hogensen presented the 2013-2014 report.

Motion by Debbie Lowery, second by Sam Haigis, to approve the Howe Community Library Report as presented. Motion carried 5 Yes 0 No.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Dennis Bozeman, second by Bill French to approve the consent agenda items which included October 2014 financial statements, and the minutes of October 21, 2014. The 2014 Tax Roll/Levy, the Library Services Contract and the Inter-local Agreement/Resolution with the City of Melissa for take or pay water was approved. Motion carried 5 Yes 0 No.

PUBLIC HEARING

Motion by Bill French, second by Sam Haigis, to approve Ordinance No. 734, establishing a Hotel/Motel Occupancy Tax. Motion carried 5 Yes 0 No.

Monte Walker gave further information regarding the lease of 101 E Haning Street for Economic Development, Keep Howe Beautiful, and the Chamber of Commerce. Motion by Debbie Lowery, second by Bill French to accept the three year lease agreement. Motion carried 4 Yes 1 No (Sam Haigis).

Joe Shephard and Monte Walker gave updated information on the status of Hawaiian Falls. No action taken.

The item to accept the softball fields on East Davis Street from Howe ISD was tabled because the representative from Howe ISD was unable to attend.

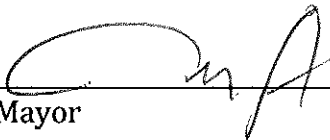
Carl Hudman gave the Police Report, David Wortham gave the Utility and Code Enforcement report, Joe Shephard gave the Administration report, Monte Walker gave updates on the City of Howe getting a Walmart, Texoma Economic Development, Chamber of Commerce re-establishment and training he attended. Robert Maniet gave the Fire Department report.

The City of Howe entered into Executive Session at 6:47 p.m. for consultation with the attorney under GC 551.071: Handling and procedures for discussions with third parties regarding projects and/or business prospects.

The Council returned to open session at 7:37 p.m. No action taken.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Secretary