

**MINUTES
CITY OF VON ORMY
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 5TH, 2009**

1) CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Art Martinez de Vara called the Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Von Ormy to order at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday the 5th day of August 2009. Meeting was held in Parish Hall of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 13466 IH 35 South, Von Ormy, Texas.

THOSE PRESENT INCLUDED: Mayor Art Martinez de Vara, Councilmember Sammy Martinez, Councilmember Leonardo Ruiz, Councilmember Verna Hernandez, and Councilmember James Sweeney. Mayor Pro Tem Alex Quintanilla was absent.

2) INVOCATION: Invocation made by Councilman James Sweeney.

3) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Art Martinez de Vara led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4) CITIZENS TO BE HEARD: There was one citizens heard.

5) APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES:

Motion made by Councilman Leonard Ruiz, seconded Councilman James Sweeney, to approve the July 21st City Council Meeting Minutes. Motion carried 4 to 0.

6) PRESENTATIONS BY BIDDERS AND DISCUSSION OF RFP'S RECEIVED FOR SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL:

Presentations were made by Representatives of Texas Disposal Systems and Tiger Sanitation Inc. Council will review the RFP'S for a final decision at next council meeting.

**7) A PRESENTATION MADE BY MR. HANZIK REPRESENTATIVE OF SPEED FAB-
CRETE:**

Mr. Hanzik was not available for presentation.

**8) DISCUSS AND CONSIDER CALLING MUNICIPAL ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 3,
2009:**

Motion made by Councilman Sammy Martinez, seconded by James Sweeney to call the Municipal Election for November 3, 2009. Motion carried 4 to 0.

**9) DISCUSS AND CONSIDER CONTRACTING WITH BEXAR COUNTY TO
OPERATE MUNICIPAL ELECTION:**

Motion made by Councilman Sammy Martinez, seconded by Councilwoman Verna Hernandez, to contract Bexar County to operate Municipal Election. Motion carried 4 to 0.

10) DISCUSS AND CONSIDER THE APPLICATION PROCEDURE FOR CANDIDATES WHO INTEND TO RUN IN THE NOVEMBER 2009 ELECTION:

Applications were handed out to candidates who intend to run in the November 2009 elections.

11) DISCUSS STATUS OF SALES TAX:

Mayor's Chief of Staff along with City Clerk updated Council on the status of Sales Tax.

12) DISCUSS AND CONSIDER RFP'S RECEIVED FOR GRASS CUTTING, TREE TRIMMING AND BRUSH REMOVAL:

Motion made by Councilman James Sweeney, seconded by Leonard Ruiz to authorize the Mayor along with City Attorney to negotiate a contract for the RFP approved, being Texas Trash and Demolition. Motion carried 4 to 0.

13) DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPLYING FOR A BULK MAIL PERMIT FROM THE POSTAL SERVICE:

No action taken.

14) DISCUSS AND CONSIDER TRASH COLLECTION SURVEYS:

Surveys available were discussed.

15) DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ESTABLISHING CITY FEE SCHEDULE:

No action taken, will discuss at next meeting.

16) DISCUSS AND CONSIDER NEW BANK ACCOUNTS TO RECEIVE SALES TAX FROM STATE COMPTROLLER:

Motion made by Councilman Leonard Ruiz, seconded by Councilwoman Verna Hernandez to open three (3) additional accounts with Texas Community Bank for the purpose of direct deposits made by State Comptroller for the collected Sales Tax. Motion carried 4 to 0.

17) DISCUSS AND CONSIDER CITY CLERK'S FINANCIAL REPORT:

Motion made by Councilman James Sweeney, seconded by Councilman Sammy Martinez, to approve City Clerks Financial report. Motion carried 4 to 0.

18) DISCUSS AND CONSIDER CODE COMPLIANCE OFFICER APPOINTMENT:

This consideration was moved to be discussed by the Emergency Task Force.

19) DISCUSS AND CONSIDER CITY SIGN ORDINANCE:

Council discussed the City Sign Ordinance.

20) TASK FORCE REPORTS:

- a. Zoning, Planning, Traffic, and Economic Task Force – Councilman Martinez, Chair
- b. Emergency Services Task Force – Councilman Quintanilla, Chair
- c. Infrastructure Task Force – Councilman Sweeney, Chair

21) DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE FOR THE PROPER METHOD OF DISPOSING OF OILS, ANIT FREEZE AND OTHER POLLUTANTS:

Council discussed this issue, no action.

22) DISCUSS AND CONSIDER PROPOSED EMERGENCY EXPENDITURE PROCURE:

No action taken, will bring back at next meeting.

23) EXECUTIVE SESSION: DISCUSSION AUTHORIZED BY THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.001:

- 1) §551.072 Discuss and consider land at CB: 4014 P-53B ABS: 617

Council retired to Executive Session at 8:23 P.M. and convened Regular meeting at 8:45 P.M.

24) DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion made by Councilman Sammy Martinez, seconded by Councilwoman Verna Hernandez to direct Mayor to collect appraisals for property discussed in Executive Session. Motion carried 4 to 0.

25) BUDGET HEARING ON 2010 BUDGET:

Council announced that a Public Meeting for the 2010 Budget will be held on September 4th, 2009 at the Regular City Council Meeting.

26) ADJOURN:

Motion made by Councilman Sammy Martinez, seconded by Councilman James Sweeney to adjourn meeting. Motion carried 4 to 0.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS 19th DAY OF AUGUST, 2009.


ART MARTINEZ DE VARA,
MAYOR

ATTEST:


JULIA ANN HERNANDEZ,
CITY CLERK