

MINUTES
INAUGRIAL MEETING OF THE
CITY OF VON ORMY CITY COUNCIL
HELD, WENDSDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2008

Members Present:

Art Martínez de Vara, Mayor
Alex Quintanilla, Mayor Pro Tem
Verna Hernandez, Alderman Place 1
James Sweeney, Alderman Place 2
Sammy Martinez, Alderman Place 4
Leonardo Ruiz, Alderman Place 5

*Prior to the meeting, the Mayor and Council took their oaths of office and were sworn in by Judge Irene Rios, Bexar County Court at Law #10.

1. Call to order and Quorum check

A quorum being present, the meeting called to order at 6:48pm by Mayor Martinez de Vara.

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2. Invocation

The invocation was made by Father James Janish of Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Citizens to be Heard

5. Discuss and consider an ordinance adopting Robert's Rules of Order as the parliamentary procedure utilized by the Council.

A motion was made and unanimously passed to adopt Robert's Rules of Order as the parliamentary procedure utilized by the Council.

6. Discuss and consider adopting an ordinance setting the date, time, and location of council meetings.

A motion was made and unanimously passed to hold regular City Council meetings on the first and third Wednesday of each month at Sacred Heart Church Parish Hall at 7:00 PM.

7. Discuss and consider an ordinance establishing procedures related to council agendas and meetings.

A motion was made and unanimously passed to establish a procedure to place items on the agenda. The Office of the Mayor will compile agendas. The Mayor, the City

Administrator, or two councilmen may place an item on the agenda. The agenda will designate which person or persons placed the item on the agenda.

8. Discuss and consider approving an agreement between the City of Von Ormy and Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church for rental of the Parish Hall to hold Regular and Special Meetings of the City of Von Ormy City Council.

A motion was made and unanimously passed to approve a contract with Sacred Heart Church to rent their parish hall for \$25 per regular meeting and \$50 per special meeting.

9. Discuss and consider an ordinance establishing the Offices of City Clerk, City Attorney and City Archaeologist and the method of appointment of each.

A motion was made and unanimously passed to establish the Offices of City Clerk, City Attorney and City Archaeologist. These offices shall be appointed by the Mayor pending approval by a vote of the City Council.

10. Discuss and consider an ordinance determining place numbers for aldermen and a manner of creating staggered terms.

A motion was made and unanimously passed to designate Aldermen by "Places", numbered 1 through 5. Aldermen with even numbered places will be elected in even numbered years. Aldermen with odd numbered places will be elected in odd numbered years. The Mayor will be elected in even numbered years.

11. Enactment of city ordinance determining place numbers of aldermen and the manner of creating staggered terms.

In accordance with city ordinance, numbers were placed in a hat, volunteered by Alderman Ruiz, and the following numbers were drawn by the Aldermen.

Sammy Martinez, Place 4
J.M. Sweeney, Place 2
Verna Hernandez, Place 1
Leonardo Ruiz, Place 3
Alex Quintanilla, Place 5

12. Discuss and consider election of Mayor Pro Tem to serve a one year term.

Alderman Alex Quintanilla was nominated by Mayor Martinez de Vara and elected unanimously to serve as Mayor Pro Tem for 2009.

13. Discuss and consider an ordinance restricting sexually oriented businesses.

A motion was made and unanimously passed to table this item and place it on the next regular meeting's agenda.

14. Discuss and consider an ordinance regulating billboards.

A motion was made and unanimously passed to table this item and place it on the next regular meeting's agenda.

15. Discuss and consider contracting with a newspaper circulated in the City of Von Ormy to be Von Ormy's official newspaper.

A motion was made and unanimously passed to table this item and place it on the next regular meeting's agenda.

16. Discuss and consider issuing a Request for Proposals (RFP) to seek proposals from eligible financial institutions to provide depository banking services.

A motion was made and unanimously passed to authorize the Mayor to develop and issue an RFP to seek proposals from eligible financial institutions to provide depository banking services for the City.

17. Discuss and consider a resolution to join the Texas Municipal League.

A motion was made and unanimously passed to join the Texas Municipal League.

18. Discuss and consider a bid for general liability insurance by the Texas Municipal League.

A motion was made and unanimously passed to table this item and place it on the next regular meeting's agenda.

19. Discuss and consider holding a town hall meeting.

A motion was made and unanimously passed to hold a town hall meeting on Saturday, January 17, 2009 at 12 noon at the Parish Hall.

20. Discuss and consider a Proclamation of gratitude to the Committee to Incorporate Von Ormy for its efforts to establish the City of Von Ormy.

A motion was made and unanimously passed to issue the proclamation, which was accepted by Mike Suarez, Assistant Chair of CIVO.

21. Discuss and consider a Proclamation of gratitude to the Southwest Bexar County Chamber of Commerce for holding a successful Von Ormy Day parade and festival.

A motion was made and unanimously passed to issue the proclamation, which was accepted by Trina Reyes, Director of SBCCC.

22. Discuss and consider a Proclamation congratulating Charlie and Roxanne Brown, who have been named Count and Countess Von Ormy III, by the Von Ormy Historical Society.

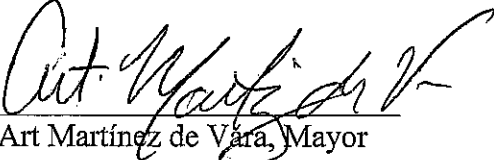
A motion was made and unanimously passed to issue the proclamation, which was accepted by Charlie Brown, Count Von Ormy III.

23. Adjourn

A motion was made and unanimously passed to adjourn at 7:26 PM

ATTEST:

We, hereby certify and attest that the above minutes of the aforementioned meeting was accepted and approved by affirmative vote of the City Council of the City of Von Ormy, Texas.


Art Martínez de Vára, Mayor

12-5-2008
Date