



# Belton City Council

## October 2, 2012 Meeting Minutes

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### **I. Call to Order**

Mayor Rufus Callaham called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.  
All Council Members were present except Wallace Shaw.

### **II. Invocation**

Councilmember Hattie S. Green lead the prayer.

### **III. Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor Rufus Callaham led the Pledge of Allegiance with everyone participating.

### **IV. Welcome Visitors and Guests**

Mayor Rufus Callaham welcomed all visitors and guests.

### **V. Approval of Council Minutes: September 4, 17,18&25, 2012**

Mayor Rufus Callaham asked for a motion to accept the Minutes for the September 4, 17,18 & 25, 2012 meeting. Council Member Jay West made the motion to accept the minutes as written. Council Member Jim Bright seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

### **VI. Ordinances & Resolutions:**

- a) Council Member Ricky Campbell read Resolution # 197 honoring Benjamin Kenneth Jordan BHP football player who passed away on September 6, 2012. Council Member Ricky Campbell Jr. made the motion to accept this resolution; Council Member Hattie S. Green seconds the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- b) Ordinance # 509-Specifications regarding debris collection is tabled. Council Member Wendell Page made the motion; Council Member Ricky Campbell Jr. seconds the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- c) Property mowing requirements and abatement guidelines was not discussed in the workshop at this time.

### **VII. Appropriations and Appointments**

- a) Request from BHP Youth Fall Basketball League was declined. Council Member Wendell Page made the motion, Council Member Hattie Green seconds the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Council Member Jay West commented this should be handled through our Recreation Department and the Belton Recreation Assoc.
- b) Proposal for Beautification on the Square- Bids for irrigation numbers should come in November 2012 and will be reviewed at that time. The City is also looking into the cost to put water lines on South Main along the railroad track across from the tennis courts.
- c) Complaints have come in about Pigeons on the Square creating a mess. A local trapper gave a bid in to handle this issue. Council Member Wendell Page made a motion to table this item for now. Council Member Jim Bright seconds the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

d) Comprehensive Plan proposals: Administrator, Michelle Ricketson let the Council know that the Comprehensive Plan proposals were very high. Administrator Ricketson, recommended that the Appalachian Council of Governments proposal of \$12,000.00 was the proposal that came the closest to what was budgeted for this 2012-2013 year. Council Member Wendell Page made a motion to accept the Council of Government's proposal. Council Member Ricky Campbell Jr. seconds the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

## **VIII Administrators's Report**

- 1) Waste Water environmental study-Council Member Ricky Campbell Jr. made a motion to do the required test that is now do as part of the approved plan. This test will cost \$2600.00, which is reimbursable by the USDA grant. Council Member Wendell Page seconds the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- 2) Twenty volunteers showed up for the Fall Cleanup on September 22, 2012. Everyone worked a total of 57 hours cleaning different areas of the City and planted 384 flowers.
- 3) Holiday Decorations " Lane of Lights through Belton" located at North Holmes Ave. was voted in by Council Member Wendell Page making the motion and Council Member Ricky Campbell Jr. seconds the motion. Motion carried unanimously. This invites the businesses, churches, organizations and individuals to put up a tasteful display honoring the season. The cost is \$40.00 per display to cover the electricity and sponsor signs.
- 4) On October 29, 2012 Mr. John Thomas Clamp Jr. will be sworn in at 7:00 am as the new Police Chief of Belton.
- 5) Trick or Treat will be held on the Square from 5:30-8:00 on October 31, 2012

Council Member Jay West made the motion to move the November Council Meeting to Monday November 5, 2012 due to Election Day. Council Member Hattie S. Green second the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

## **IX. Adjournment**

Council, with no further business, adjourned for the evening. The motion to approve adjournment was made by Council Member Ricky Campbell, second by all Council Members. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laurie E. Kennedy, City Clerk