

The City Council of the City of Columbus, Texas, met in regular session on Thursday, February 27, 2014 at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 605 Spring St., Columbus, Texas, with the following present:

Mayor	-	Dwain Dungen
Mayor Pro Tem	-	Curtiss Schonenberg
Councilman	-	Steve Woodall
Councilman	-	John Axel (absent)
Councilman	-	Eddie Hernandez
Councilman	-	Chuck Rankin
City Manager	-	Donald Warschak
City Secretary	-	Linda Lakich

Other City Staff present included:

Police Chief	-	Bill Lattimore
City Attorney	-	Pat Gillespie

**1. Call to Order.**

Mayor Dwain Dungen called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. He explained that Councilman Axel was absent due to illness.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.**

Mayor Dungen led the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.

**3. Consent Agenda.**

- a. Approval of Invoices.
- b. Approval of December 2013 Financial Statements.
- c. Approval of Minutes of February 13, 2014 Regular Meeting.

Councilman Schonenberg made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Councilman Rankin seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Councilman Woodall, Schonenberg, Hernandez, and Rankin  
Absent: Councilman Axel

The motion passed.

**4. Citizens' Presentations and Comments.<sup>1</sup>**

There were no citizens' presentations or comments.

**5. City Manager's Report Including Sewer Averaging, HOME Grant Project, and Downtown Sidewalk Project.**

City Manager, Donald Warschak, presented his City Manager's Report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

**6. Consideration and Action to Adopt Resolution 134-14, a Resolution Authorizing the Submission of a Texas Criminal Justice Division Grant Application for the Police Department.**

Mayor Dungen explained that this resolution would formally authorize the City to participate with Eagle Lake and Colorado County in applying for a grant for purchase of a Police Department records management system as was discussed by Council at the last meeting. Chief Lattimore gave a brief summary of what they were asking for and explained that the match for the City would be zero.

Councilman Woodall made a motion to adopt Resolution 134-14 authorizing the submission of a Texas Criminal Justice Division Grant Application for the Police Department. Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Councilman Woodall, Schonenberg, Hernandez, and Rankin  
Absent: Councilman Axel

The motion passed.

**7. Consideration and Action to Approve the Appointment of Mary Mattingly to the Library Advisory Board to Fill an Unexpired Term Ending October 1, 2014.**

It was stated that Mary Mattingly would be filling the place of Shana Neisner on the Library Advisory Board.

Councilman Schonenberg made a motion to approve the appointment of Mary Mattingly to the Library Advisory Board to fill an unexpired term ending October 1, 2014. Councilman Woodall seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Councilman Woodall, Schonenberg, Hernandez, and Rankin  
Absent: Councilman Axel

The motion passed.

**8. Executive Session: In Accordance with Texas Government Code, subchapter D, Section 551.074 -- Deliberations about Personnel Matters.**

Mayor Dungen closed the Regular Session at 6:38 p.m. to adjourn into executive session.

Mayor Dungen reconvened the Regular Session at 7:53 p.m. with the same councilmembers present as before.

**9. Consideration and Action, if Necessary, on the January 2014 Police Report.**

Police Chief, Bill Lattimore, presented his January 2014 Police Report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

No action was necessary.

**10. Items from Councilmembers.<sup>2</sup>**

Councilman Woodall – no comment

Councilman Schonenberg – asked to have an agenda item added to the next meeting to consider a resolution requesting that TCEQ not approve an increased minimum threshold for the release of water from the lakes near Austin.

Councilman Hernandez – no comment

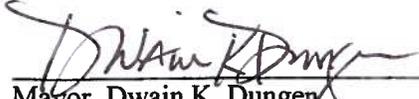
Councilman Rankin – no comment

**11. Announcements.**

There were no announcements.

**12. Adjournment.**

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

  
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Mayor, Dwain K. Dungen

ATTEST:

  
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Linda Lakich, City Secretary

<sup>1</sup>During this agenda item, citizens may comment for the record on items, which are not on the agenda. However, the Council may not participate in discussion or deliberation on any item that is not on the agenda. Citizens may request that a topic be added to a future agenda.

Citizens who wish to comment on a posted agenda item may do so when that item is addressed by the Mayor. Citizen's comments are limited to five minutes.

<sup>2</sup>Limited to statements. Issues raised by councilmembers under this item cannot be deliberated by Council. The Open Meetings Act does not allow Council to deliberate items that don't appear on the agenda.