

**Somerville City Council  
Regular Meeting  
April 9, 2019**

The Somerville City Council met in a regularly scheduled meeting, on April 9, 2019, in the Somerville Senior Citizens Center. Present were Mayor Waylon Edwards; Alderman Don Murray, Alderman Jeff Schoppe, and Alderwoman Angelia Beene; City Administrator Danny Segundo; City Secretary Rose Rosser; Visitor's Register - on file in the City Secretary's Office.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**6:17 PM** - The meeting was called to Order at this time by Mayor Edwards.

**INVOCATION**

Invocation was given by Alderman Murray.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Pledge of Allegiance followed the Invocation.

**CITIZEN'S COMMENTS (5 Minutes)**

To comply with Ordinance No. 18-012, Rules of Conduct at Council Meetings, Section 2 and Section 3(a). Citizens signing up to speak at the beginning of council meetings under the item "Citizen's Comments" shall, upon being recognized by the Mayor, have five (5) minutes to address the City Council. No citizen shall have more than five (5) minutes unless approved by majority vote of the Council. Citizens may also provide any additional comments or information in writing to the Council before, during or after the City Council Meeting.

Once the period of public statements and comments on an agenda item has concluded and council discussion begins, citizens shall not interrupt the discussion and deliberation of business by the Council; and each person who addresses the Council shall do so in an orderly manner and shall not make personal, impertinent, slanderous or profane remarks to any member of the Council, staff or general public such as to disrupt the meeting.

Lucinda Murphy spoke on behalf of Carol Freeman in thanking Public Works for the hard work on the water leak on 8<sup>th</sup> Street; she questioned the Racial Profiling Report; she was wondering after looking at the Code Enforcement Report, what the Mason Fish Fry has to do with Code Enforcement; she's concerned about whether there is going to be a Lakefest event or not.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

NONE

## **REPORTS**

### **Police Department Activity Report**

Chief Wise reported on Police Department activity for the month of March 2019.

### **Racial Profiling Report**

Chief Wise said that he would be glad to answer any questions regarding Racial Profiling if they would like to come by the Police Department.

### **Municipal Court Activity Report**

Rose Rosser reported on Municipal Court Activity for the month of March 2019.

### **Public Works Activity Report**

Joshua Young reported on Public Works Activity for the month of March 2019.

### **Code Enforcement Activity Report**

Kathy Pollock reported on Code Enforcement Activity for the month of March 2019.

### **City Administrator Report**

NONE

### **Visitor's Center Activity Report**

NONE

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

All Items on the Consent Agenda are to be considered self-explanatory in nature and may be enacted with one motion, one second and one vote and without separate discussion of each item. However, Council reserves the right to move any item or all items from the Consent Agenda to New Business for discussion and separate action.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES / FINANCIAL MATTERS**

Motion made by Alderwoman Beene to **approve** the March 19, 2019 Regularly Scheduled

City Council Meeting Minutes; and the Financial Report, Sales Tax Report and Payment Report for March 2019. **Seconded** by Alderman Schoppe. Motion **carried** by a vote of 3 in favor and 0 opposed.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

NONE

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

NONE

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**6:27 PM** - The City Council convened into executive session at this time pursuant to (Texas Open Meetings Act,) Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 under advice of Counsel, which allows the following: Jeff Ulmann of the Knight Law Firm LLP, provided information regarding the process and steps involved in the annexation process. Those present in executive session were Mayor Edwards, Alderman Murray, Alderwoman Beene, Alderman Schoppe, Administrator Segundo, Jeff Ulmann, Rose Rosser, Kathy Pollock and Craig Wise.

#### **RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

**7:17 PM** - Mayor Edwards reconvened the meeting to open session at this time. No deliberation or action was taken as a result of the Executive Session.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

##### **Action Item(s)**

##### **CDBG-DR Community Development Block Grant**

Motion made by Alderman Schoppe to **approve** the Citizen Participation Plan related to the Texas General Land Office Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Program. **Seconded** by Alderwoman Beene. Motion **carried** by a vote of 3 in favor and 0 opposed.

##### **Excessive Force Policy**

Motion made by Alderwoman Beene to **approve** the Excessive Force Policy for the City of Somerville, a policy required by all grants. **Seconded** by Alderman Murray. Motion **carried** by a vote of 3 in favor and 0 opposed.

**Accounting and Payroll Software**

Motion made by Alderman Murray to **approve** changing the accounting and payroll system software from Fund View / FAST Software to Central Square (previously United Systems Technology Inc. / ASYST Software). **Seconded** by Alderwoman Beene. Motion **carried** by a vote of 3 in favor and 0 opposed.

**Traffic Study Report**

No action taken on the receiving of the traffic study report as submitted by Jones and Carter. Traffic Study Report for action will be moved to a later date.

**Street & Drainage Committee**

On the recommendation of Administrator Segundo selecting of a nine-member panel for the formation of a Street and Drainage Committee was will be moved to a later date.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**Commercial Water Deposit Fees**

Administrator Segundo, Mayor and City Council discussed the City’s water deposit fee for commercial water customers. They have requested that the commercial water deposit fees be lowered from \$500.00 to \$100.00. This discussion item will be placed on a future agenda as an action item.

**Mayor and Council Comments**

Alderwoman Beene commented on the upcoming biker rallies and stated that they bring a lot of revenue to the City.

**ADJOURN**

**7:43 PM** - Motion made by Alderman Schoppe to **approve** adjourning the meeting at this time. **Seconded** by Alderman Murray. Motion **carried** by a vote of 3 in favor and 0 opposed.

Passed: \_\_\_\_\_

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Mayor, Waylon Edwards

I, Rose Rosser, City Secretary for the City of Somerville, Texas, do hereby certify that I am the custodian of the records for the City of Somerville, Texas, and that the above is a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting held on April 9, 2019.

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Rose Rosser, City Secretary