

Village of Wimberley
City Hall, 13210 Ranch Road 12
Wimberley, Texas
Thursday, April 7, 2005
City Council Meeting Minutes

City Council meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Stephen Klepfer.

Mayor Klepfer gave the Invocation.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag was led by Mayor Klepfer and Council Member Manis led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag.

Present were: Mayor Stephen Klepfer and Council members Carroll Czichos, John Graddy, Matt Manis, Carolyn Nichols, and Marilee Wood.

Presentations of Citizens:

Citizen Comments - None.

Pedernales Electric: Rusty Dunham of PEC presented Council a check for \$18,840.32 representing the Cooperative's franchise fee payment for the period January 1-March 31, 2005.

Mayor Klepfer next called up the first item under Agenda item C, Reports, and introduced Hays County Election Administrator Joyce Cowan. Ms. Cowan explained the technology Hays County will begin using in November for balloting, called Direct Recording Electronically (DRE). Under federal law, the state is required to use some technology other than punch-card ballots no later than January 1, 2006. She demonstrated the portable machines voters will use to cast ballots and answered questions from Council members. Council thanked Ms. Cowan for her presentation.

Mayor Klepfer administered the Oath of Office to David Joiner, appointee to the Budget, Investment & Finance Advisory Board.

Ken Roberts, computer science teacher at Wimberley High School, introduced four of his students who gave Power Point presentations on a computerized walk-through of the new Wimberley Community Center, and on their proposal for wiring the Center for telecommunications. Council thanked and congratulated Mr. Roberts and the students for their donation of time and skills in helping with the Community Center project.

A. Consent Items:

Council members pulled the Minutes of the March 17, 2005 Council meeting, and the Proclamation of April as Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Month.

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Council members accepted the resignation of Jimmy Lee from the Transportation Advisory Board and the 2005 Consumer Price Index Adjustment of 1.27% for Telecommunications Right-of-Way Access Line Rates by vote of 5 Ayes to 0 Nays.

In the minutes for Council meeting of March 17, Council member Graddy corrected the next-to-last sentence in the first paragraph of Agenda item C.4 to read: *Mr. Harrison said that the City's Water/Wastewater Advisory Board had strong objections to installing a pump-and-haul restroom facility based on environmental considerations and cost.* He also noted that in the following paragraph Ms. Kirschbaum's name should be deleted from the list of those speaking to the item as she had left the meeting by that time.

Council member Wood corrected the following points in the paragraph on Agenda item G: Tevis Grinstead spoke as a private citizen and not on behalf of the Planning & Zoning Commission; and in place of the sentence that Council took no action, the following should be inserted:

Council member Manis moved to request the Planning & Zoning Commission to schedule a public forum to discuss the process of granting Conditional Use Permits for bed and breakfast establishments in residential neighborhoods. Council member Wood seconded. Motion approved by 3 Ayes to 0 Nays.

Council member Graddy moved to adopt the Minutes of the March 17, 2005 Council meeting as amended. Council member Wood seconded. Motion adopted by vote of 3 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 2 Abstentions (Council members Czichos and Nichols).

Mayor Klepfer introduced Robie Roberson, director of Roxanne's House in San Marcos, the part of the Hays-Caldwell Women's Center which provides services to victims of child abuse. Ms. Roberson's son, Joshua Hunter, read the poem, "The Eleventh Commandment." Mayor Klepfer read the Council proclamation designating April as Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Month in the Village of Wimberley. Council member Wood moved to adopt the Proclamation and Council member Czichos seconded. Motion approved by 5 Ayes to 0 Nays.

B. City Administrator Report:

City Administrator Steve Harrison distributed a plan showing a revised layout for City Hall space and functions and parking arrangements while City Hall is used for the May Council election. Early voting will be held in City Hall April 20 to May 3, and election day is May 7.

Mr. Harrison said that after an extensive search and interview process for a new City Secretary, he offered the job to current City Receptionist Cindy Colvert, who has accepted it. Council members congratulated Ms. Colvert.

C. Reports from Boards/Commissions/Staff:

Mayor Klepfer reported on the fund-raising effort for Blue Hole, saying a gala event with food prepared by chef Damian Mandala and music by noted Texas musicians will be held on May 27 at Old Glory Ranch. Tickets are \$150 per person and will be available at City Hall. The event will be a chance to recognize donors to the Blue Hole acquisition project.

On May 28, a day-long party will be held at Blue Hole for the general public. Admission will be free, there will be food, and various local bands will perform throughout the day.

Mac McCullough reported the Building Code Board of Review has worked through most of the family of codes City Attorney Patty Akers recommended the Board adopt, and should have them ready for Council consideration soon. The Board has discussed implementing a small project permit process.

City Public Works Officer Rickey Wright briefed Council on progress of the RR 12 widening project, noting it is now in the second of the three phases planned by TxDOT. Council discussed the project with Mr. Wright. Mayor Klepfer commended everyone involved in solving the many various problems that have come up, noting the quick response time and readiness of all concerned to help the process go as smoothly as possible.

D. Consider and Act:

1. Appoint Member to Economic Development Advisory Board for a term ending April 3, 2007:

Council member Nichols moved to appoint Walter Brown to the Economic Development Advisory Board (EDAB), replacing Mike Bingham whose term has expired. Council member Wood seconded. Motion approved 5 Ayes to 0 Nays.

2. Rescheduling of Joint Work Session with EDAB:

Council member Graddy said there was a conflict in the earlier scheduled joint Council-EDAB work session, and moved to reschedule the session for the next regular meeting of the Board on May 12. Council member Czichos seconded. Motion approved 5 Ayes to 0 Nays.

3. Recommendation of the Budget, Investment & Finance Advisory Board to issue a Request for Proposals for Provision of Solid Waste Disposal and/or Recycling Services for Residential and Commercial Customers within the Village:

Janelle Flocke of the BIFAB said this issue has been discussed by the Board for about a year and she believes the proposal is now ready for Council. She reviewed the main

provisions of the RFP and answered questions from Council. Council member Nichols moved that Council accept the Board's recommendation to issue a Request for Proposals for provision of solid waste disposal and/or recycling services for residential and commercial customers in the Village. Council member Manis seconded. Motion approved 5 Ayes to 0 Nays.

4. Recommendation from Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) to enter into a Service Agreement with IWORQ to Perform Transportation Infrastructure Tracking:

Public Works Officer Rickey Wright presented the item, noting the TAB spent a lot of time and effort to compile information on the condition of roads in the Village; now that the information is available, the question is how can the Village use it. IWORQ is a software firm in Utah which can take all the data on our roads and put them into a program that can be manipulated to do anything the Village needs. The program will be available through the Internet to anyone with the appropriate password, so any City official or Council member could access it as needed, and the City does not have to buy the software or install it on its own computers. He reviewed the contract options available to the City.

TAB chairman Corwin Vansant said a good point about the program is that it uses the same mapping system TAB is using in developing its master plan, and thus can be integrated into the TAB plan. He cautioned that the City must have accurate information from the start. City Attorney Patty Akers cautioned Council to consider how the Village could extract its own data from the program at some future time, and to get assurance the vendor would warrant its right to use the software and will indemnify the Village in the event of any lawsuits over the software.

Council member Wood moved that Council approve the recommendation from TAB to enter into a service agreement with IWORQ for transportation infrastructure tracking for \$2,800 for the first year, for the pavement system, work management system, and on-site training program contingent on additions by Counsel. Council member Graddy seconded. Motion approved 5 Ayes to 0 Nays.

5. Recommendation from Parks Board on establishing a Memorandum of Understanding with the Wimberley Birding Society for maintenance and activities in the Nature Refuge area of the Community Center:

Council member Wood said the natural area behind the Community Center has been a project of the Wimberley Birding Society (WBS), and the Society wants to define a cooperative arrangement with the Village for its activities. The document before Council is a statement of purpose by the WBS and is meant to provide background for a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). Council members discussed the item. Council member Wood moved that City Administrator Harrison work with the City Attorney to produce a suitable MOU with the Wimberley Birding Society and bring it back to Council

for action. Council member Graddy seconded. Motion approved 5 Ayes to 0 Nays.

6. Accept Proposal from The Center for Archaeological Studies, Texas State University, San Marcos, for completion of archaeological investigations of the proposed Blue Hole Regional Park per requirements of the Texas Parks & Wildlife Grant:

Mayor Klepfer presented the item, noting that because there are federal funds in the TPW grant for the Blue Hole property, an archaeological survey must be done. The assessment will cost \$5,200. Council member Nichols moved to accept the proposal from The Center for Archaeological Studies, Texas State University, San Marcos, for completion of archaeological investigations of the proposed Blue Hole Regional Park per requirements of the Texas Parks & Wildlife Grant, for an amount not to exceed \$5,500. Council member Wood seconded. Motion approved 5 Ayes to 0 Nays.

E. Announcements and Council Requests for Future Agenda Items:

Mayor Klepfer said Council needs to conclude an interlocal agreement with the County Fire Marshall.

Mayor Klepfer noted some EDAB members' terms have expired and Council members need to fill those positions.

Council member Wood thanked M.F. Johnson for help with the latest edition of *The Wimberley Way*.

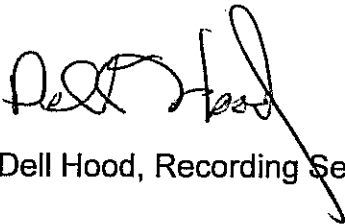
Mayor Klepfer reminded Council of the forum on bed and breakfast establishments at the next Planning & Zoning Commission meeting on April 11.

F. Adjournment: Council adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

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By

Stephen J. Klepfer, Mayor



Dell Hood, Recording Secretary