

**THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE HOLTVILLE
CITY COUNCIL
August 23, 2012**

The special meeting of the Holtville City Council was held on Thursday, August 23, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. in the Civic Center. Council Members present were Jerry Brittsan, Mike Goodsell, Colleen Ludwig, Richard Layton and David Bradshaw. Staff members present were Alex Meyerhoff, Nick Wells and Glyn Snyder. City Treasurer Pete Mellinger was also present. Martin Gonzalez represented Steve Walker in his absence.

CITY COUNCIL CLOSED SESSION MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Mr. Brittsan called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL OPEN SESSION MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Mr. Brittsan called the meeting to order at 5:50 p.m.

INVOCATION:

The invocation was led by Mike Goodsell.

Mr. Brittsan requested a moment of silence for Linda Britschgi, former Councilwoman and Mayor of the City.

Mrs. Ludwig shared that she served on the Election Board and other community projects with Mrs. Britschgi.

Mr. Brittsan reflected on memories of Mrs. Britschgi. He said she always had a smile on her face and had a great sense of humor.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Bradshaw.

CITY CLERK RE: VERIFICATION OF POSTING OF AGENDA:

The City Clerk verified that the agenda was duly posted on August 22, 2012.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS:

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION:

(Government Code Section 54956.9(b))

Willowbend LLC vs. City Of Holtville

No reportable action taken.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION:

(Government Code Section 54956.9(c))

2 Matters Regarding Initiation of Litigation

No reportable action taken.

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT

(Government Code Section 54957.6)

No reportable action taken.

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS:

(Government Code Section 54956.9)

Property: 585 Fern Avenue
664 Palm Avenue
640 E. Third St. #5

Agency Negotiators: City Manager and City Attorney

Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment

No reportable action taken.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

REPORTS OF OFFICERS, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES AND COMMUNIQUE:

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Discussion/Related Action To Revise The Facility Use Permit Guidelines – Alex Meyerhoff, City Manager

Elizabeth Enriquez Phillips stated that the City Hall/Civic Center should be available for public use. She said the cost of renting the facility as well as the deposit fee could be increased if need be.

Mr. Mellinger said perhaps the County will either sell or donate the American Legion Building to the City which could be used as a Civic Center. He also expressed concerns regarding access to the Earl Walker Staging Area from Highway 111. Mr. Gonzalez said because this item was not on the agenda it could not be discussed.

Discussion ensued with several items being clarified. A motion was made by Mr. Goodsell and seconded by Mr. Layton to adopt the Facility Use Permit Guidelines as amended. All members present were in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Bradshaw asked to be excused from the meeting at 6:15 p.m. for a prior engagement.

2. Discussion/Related Action To Adopt RESOLUTION 12-54 Ordering The City Manager To Sign An Intergovernmental Agreement With The City Of Imperial For The Provision Of Building Plan Check And Inspection Services – Alex Meyerhoff, City Manager

A motion was made by Mr. Layton and seconded by Mr. Goodsell to adopt Resolution 12-54 ordering the City Manager to sign an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Imperial for the provision of Building Plan Check and Inspection Services. The motion carried 4/0 in the form of a roll call vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

3. Discussion/Related Action To Provide Direction To Staff For Consideration To Repeal Leash And Control Section 7.04.190 Of Ordinance 446 Regulating And Keeping Of Dogs And Other Animals In The City Of Holtville – Alex Meyerhoff, City Manager

A motion was made by Mrs. Ludwig and seconded by Mr. Goodsell to provide direction to Staff for consideration to repeal Leash and Control Section 7.04.190 of Ordinance 446 Regulating and Keeping of Dogs and Other Animals in the City of Holtville. The section of the Municipal Code to be eliminated relates to not having dogs on a leash and being under the command or voice control or other device. Dogs will be required to be on a leash at all times. The motion carried 4/0.

INFORMATION ONLY:

4. Information Only Regarding Candidates For November 2012 Election – Alex Meyerhoff, City Manager

Information only; no action taken.

Mr. Meyerhoff invited everyone to the free demonstration of the Aqua Zumba class that will be held at the City pool this evening. He also reported that he had received a letter from Mark Schmidt commending the City for being resourceful on such limited funding.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before Council, Mr. Brittsan adjourned the Special Council meeting at 7:06 p.m.

Jerry M. Brittsan, Mayor

Glyn Snyder, City Clerk