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City Council Meeting Minutes

The City Council of Annetta met in a regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, April 15, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. in the Annetta Town Hall at 450 Thunder Head Lane to consider the following agenda:

Due to technical difficulties, the meeting was unable to be broadcast via WebEx.

- I. **Call to order.** Mayor Bruce Pinckard called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance/Invocation of Prayer.** Council Member Sandy Roberts led the pledge and Council Member Coffman gave the invocation.
- III. **Roll call/Quorum check.** A quorum check revealed that Mayor Pinckard and Council Members Kent Stasey, Shane Mudge, Danny Coffman, Jim Causey and Sandy Roberts were all present. Also present was Jamee Long, City Secretary.
- IV. **Public Comments:** Citizen, Kristi Turner, discussed the Town's dog ordinances.
- V. **Consent Items: Reports from City Staff and Commission or Committees:**
 - a. Consider the approval of Minutes from the Regular City Council Meeting on March 18, 2021 and Special City Council Meeting on April 1, 2021.
 - b. Public Works Report.
 - c. Financial Report.

Council Member Coffman moved to accept all consent items, Council Member Mudge seconded the motion, with all aye. Motion passed unanimously.

VI. **Executive Session:**

The City Council reserves the right to meet in Executive Session at any time during this meeting pursuant to the below cited section of the Texas Government Code:

PURSUANT TO § 551.074 – Deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee.

- Discussion regarding Public Works / Planning Director position.

The executive session began at 7:12 p.m. and ended at 7:22 p.m.

VII. **New Business:**

- a. **Discussion and action regarding the Public Works / Planning Director position.** Council Member Roberts moved to authorize the Mayor to make an offer to the candidate of choice for the Public Works / Planning Director and if denied, make an offer to an alternate, Council Member Coffman seconded the motion, with all aye. Motion passed unanimously.
- b. **Discussion and Action:** Consider a proclamation proclaiming May 2021 as Water Safety Month. Mayor Pinckard read the proclamation. Council Member Coffman moved to approve a proclamation proclaiming May 2021 as Water Safety Month, Council Member Roberts seconded the motion, with all aye. Mayor Pinckard stated that when a swimming pool permit is issued, there is additional information given regarding water safety including tags and bracelets supplied by Cooks Children’s Hospital. Motion passed unanimously.
- c. **Discussion and Action:** Consider an ordinance amending the 2020-21 Town of Annetta Budget. City Secretary, Jamee Long, stated that \$22,000 needs to be transferred from the fund balance transfer to cover the road repairs approved last month by City Council. Council Member Mudge moved to approve an ordinance amending the 2020-21 Town of Annetta Budget, Council Member Stasey seconded the motion, with all aye. Motion passed unanimously.
- d. **Discussion and Action:** Consider scheduling a date for the Crime Control and Prevention Block Party and Talk of the Town Business Fair. Council Member Coffman moved to schedule the Crime Control and Prevention Block Party and Talk of the Town Business Fair for Saturday, October 16, 2021, Council Member Mudge seconded the motion, with all aye. Council Member Coffman stated that October 16 would be a cool time of the year and that citizens could do some Christmas shopping at the business fair. Motion passed unanimously.
- e. **Discussion:** Discussion on Annetta roads and evaluation criteria. Mayor Pinckard read a letter submitted by Anne Mullins regarding repairs needed at the end of Wallis Road. Mayor Pinckard stated that there is a dispute about this road because it has never been dedicated to the city and is therefore, a private road. He stated that a former mayor of Annetta had done some work on the road and a previous city administrator had also requested work on this road, but that it was later discovered that no dedication as a public road had been made to the Town. Mayor Pinckard stated that the road does not meet the current right-of-way width requirement, does not have a turn-around and is not safe for trash collection, school buses or emergency services. He stated there is only 27 feet in width and the county does not have equipment to work on very narrow sections of roads. Mayor Pinckard stated the Town’s evaluation criteria is not only on how many houses are on a street, but also how much traffic goes through a street. He discussed the amount of traffic on main thoroughfares in Annetta. Mayor Pinckard stated that the Town will continue to work with Ms. Mullins but when it comes to street dedications, there are high standards so these costs cannot be passed on to all citizens. He stated that it is against the law for the Town to spend public funds on private road projects. Mayor Pinckard stated that Council Member Roberts

is also working with Ms. Mullins regarding Wallis Road. Council Member Roberts stated she is continuing to work with Republic Services regarding a solution for Ms. Mullins and her neighbor.

VIII. Old Business:

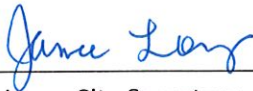
f. Discussion and Action: Consider authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract for solid waste. Mayor Pinckard introduced Sterling Naron, City Manager for the City of Hudson Oaks. Mr. Naron stated that the solid waste agreement is with 5 cities which are Hudson Oaks, Willow Park, Annetta, Annetta North and Annetta South. He stated there are 2 separate contracts. There is one contract for collection which is with Republic Services and one contract for disposal is with Waste Management. Mr. Naron said this enables a better price for the services. He stated this is an extension of the current contract which is an amendment. He stated this is a 5 year extension of the terms beginning on May 1, 2021 and will expire on April 26, 2026. Mr. Naron stated that the original contract was in 2016 and there is a 4.5% increase every 2 years. Mayor Pinckard stated that when this contract was originally agreed upon, the 5 cities won an award for working together collaboratively and bargained for a benefit to the citizens of the cities. He stated that he feels the relationships with surrounding cities is invaluable and brings a "real benefit" to the citizens. Mayor Pinckard thanked all the cities for working together. Council Member Stasey moved to authorize the Mayor to execute the contract for solid waste, Council Member Coffman seconded the motion, with all aye. Motion passed unanimously.

IX. Items of Community Interest. Council Member Roberts stated that it is Mayor Pinckard's last regular meeting to preside as mayor. Mayor Pinckard stated that the Town has many accomplishments and thanked the council, commission and staff for their hard work.

X. Adjournment: With no further business before the council, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:47 p.m.

Reception for Mayor Pinckard's last regular City Council meeting as presiding mayor. Also in attendance were County Judge – Pat Deen, City of Willow Park Mayor – Doyle Moss, City of Aledo Mayor – Kit Marshall, Senator Drew Springer's District Director – Jennifer Lundy, Aledo ISD – Tyler Boswell, Harkins Engineering - Victoria Harkins, Halff Associates – Leigh Hollis, former Council Member – Mark Wohl and Mayor Pinckard's wife and sons. Boy Scout Troop 1099 presented Mayor Pinckard with a flag flown over the state capital in his honor and a Texas flag presented by State Representative Phil King.

These minutes were approved on the 20th day of May, 2021.



Jamee Long, City Secretary



Bruce Pinckard, Mayor

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Public comments by Kristi Turner

Good evening. Two weeks ago I presented a safety issue and I hoped for action to be taken. I sent 3 nearby town ordinances to info@annettatx.gov to try to help and received an email back that the town has 3 existing animal ordinances. I now ask all of you again to please listen and address this issue at hand.

We have an animal ordinance regarding aggressive dogs. However when a citizen calls the sheriff they are then called by animal control who says that they cannot come to Annetta. What is the point of an ordinance if it cannot be enforced?

I ask that the town look into the cost of allowing animal control to Annetta. Can we afford it? How can we work to make our town even better? I am not asking for a presentation on the issue, simply the real number.

If we can address this safety issue then I ask also that you expand upon ordinance 158. Can we set a limit for dogs and cats? What should it be? As I mentioned 2 weeks ago, this aggressive dog is called "number seven" by its owner. One can assume how many dogs this owner has on a half acre. In comparison, the alpaca farm has just two dogs on its ten acres.

While we address safety I would like to share another sidewalk safety fact. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, nearly 70 percent of pedestrian fatalities happen at non-intersections.