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City Council Meeting Minutes

The City Council of Annetta met in a regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, December 19, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. in the Annetta Town Hall at 450 Thunder Head Lane to consider the following agenda:

- I. **Call to order.** Mayor Bruce Pinckard called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance/Invocation of Prayer.** Council Member Shane Mudge led the pledge and Council Member Danny Coffman gave the invocation.
- III. **Roll call/Quorum check.** A quorum check revealed that Mayor Pinckard and Council Members Kent Stasey, Danny Coffman, Shane Mudge, Jim Causey and Sandy Roberts were all present. Also present was Jamee Long, City Secretary.
- IV. **Public Comments:** Kristin Turner addressed the Council to discuss possible sidewalks along Thunder Head Lane.
- V. **Consent Items: Reports from City Staff and Commissions or Committees:**
 - a. Consider the approval of Minutes from the Regular City Council Meeting on November 21, 2019.
 - b. Financial Report.
 - c. Public Works Report.

Council Member Stasey moved to accept all consent items, Council Member Coffman seconded the motion, with all aye. Motion passed unanimously.
- VI. **New Business:**
 - a. **Discussion and Action:** Consider scheduling a Community Clean-Up and Beautification Day. Council Member Roberts moved to schedule a Community Clean-Up and Beautification Day for February 29, 2020, Council Member Coffman seconded the motion, with all aye. Motion passed unanimously.
 - b. **Discussion and Action:** Consider authorizing the Mayor to execute a letter of engagement with Jake Weber for the Town's financial reconciliations and payroll. Council Member Stasey moved to authorize the Mayor to execute a letter of engagement with Jake Weber for the Town's financial reconciliations and payroll, Council Member Mudge seconded the motion, with all aye. Motion passed unanimously.

VII. **Old Business:**

- a. **Discussion:** Discuss Annetta Park Concept. Mayor Pinckard discussed the map of the Town's property around Town Hall. Citizen, Al Gloer, discussed the safety of building a park near FM 5. Council Member Causey moved to direct staff to create a survey requesting ideas for the Annetta Park Concept and post on the Town's Facebook page and email blast via Mail Chimp, Council Member Roberts seconded the motion, with all aye. Council Member Coffman stated that he would reach out to Aledo ISD about incorporating possible walking trails on the property between Town Hall and Stuard Elementary. Motion passed unanimously.
- b. **Discussion and Action:** Discussion and consider authorizing the Mayor and Town staff to work with third-party consultants to formulate a plan and provide direction to the Planning and Zoning Commission for the rezoning of property within the Town. Any future council action rezoning property must be made by ordinance only after recommendations by the Planning and Zoning Commission and notice and public hearings as required by law. Mayor Pinckard discussed the progress of the Planning and Zoning Commission. He stated that he would like to keep this on the agenda and discuss further after the January Planning and Zoning Commission meeting. No action taken.
- c. **Discussion and Action:** Consider an ordinance regarding the Tri-County Electric franchise fee. Council Member Stasey stated that Tri-County Electric's attorney has reviewed the ordinance and made significant changes. He stated the ordinance is now under review with the Town's attorney. No action taken.
- d. **Discussion and Action:** Consider personnel leave policy. Council Member Stasey moved to approve the personnel leave policy as written, Council Member Coffman seconded the motion, with all aye. Council Member Roberts discussed the pay out of accrued vacation leave is only paid when an employee leaves employment and not annually. Mayor Pinckard stated the policy is similar to other cities the size of Annetta. Mayor Pinckard discussed the holiday schedule and one personal day off. Council Member Mudge discussed the amount of sick leave in the policy. Motion passed unanimously.
- e. **Discussion and Action:** Remove from the table, discuss and consider action regarding Aron Stewart's water well drilling exception request. Council Member Causey moved to remove from the table Aron Stewart's water well drilling exception request, Council Member Coffman seconded the motion, with all aye. Motion passed unanimously. Mayor Pinckard stated that the Town's position is to recognize and appreciate state law regarding property owner rights, but the Town also has concerns regarding water quality issues and protecting the water for all citizens of Annetta. Mayor Pinckard stated that the elevation of Mr. Stewart's property is approximately 40 feet lower than it was originally due to excavation in that area as a sand and gravel pit. Mayor Pinckard stated that each Council Member had been handed a list of special exceptions for the well permit during executive session. Council Member Stasey moved to approve the permit conditions presented by the Town's water engineer and agreed to by Mr. Stewart, and to authorize Town staff to issue a well permit to Mr. Stewart subject to the permit conditions recognizing that Section 4 of the Town's Ordinance 175 and the permitting conditions required, Council Member Coffman seconded the motion, with all aye. Motion passed unanimously.

VIII. **Executive Session:** As authorized by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, the City Council reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss the following:

- a. § 551.071. The Town Council may meet with its attorney on any matter in which the duty of its attorney under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct conflict with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, including discussion of any item posted on the agenda; to seek legal advice regarding the agenda

item above regarding Aron Stewart; and seek legal advice on the Upper Trinity Groundwater Conservation District's proposed new rules and effect on Annetta's water supply, water customers and well owners.

Mayor Pinckard read item a. above. The executive session began at 7:03 p.m. and ended at 7:34 p.m.

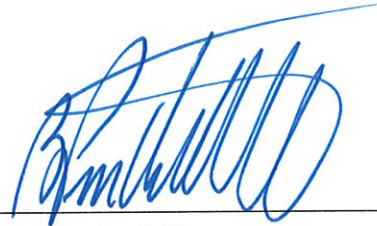
IX. Items of Community Interest. Council Member Roberts discussed the state championship football game scheduled for Saturday. Mayor Pinckard thanked the Council and staff for the work they have done in 2019 and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

X. Adjournment: With no further business before the council, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

These minutes were approved on the 16th day of January, 2020.



Jamee Long, City Secretary



Bruce Pinckard, Mayor