

Mayor Charles "Skip" Lee called a meeting of the Sterling City Council to order at 6:30 pm on Monday, November 3, 2014. Roll call. Present: Aldermen Retha Elston, Joe Martin, Chris Schuchard, Lou Sotelo, and John Stauter. Absent: Alderman Barry Cox.

Also present were City Attorney Ron Coplan, City Manager Scott Shumard, City Management Intern Kevin Smith, Finance Director Cindy Von Holten, Superintendent of Building and Zoning Amanda Schmidt, Fire Chief Gary Cook, Deputy Fire Chief Mike Dettman, Police Chief Ron Potthoff, and City Clerk Marie Rombouts.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

There was no communication from Visitors.

Alderman Elston made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

- A) City Council Minutes of October 20, 2014
- B) Bills and Payroll totaling \$1,288,574.42
- C) Resolution #R2014-11-14 Providing for the Abatement of General Real Property Taxes for General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2010A (Recovery Zone Facility Bonds) in the amount of \$466,087.50**
- D) Resolution #R2014-11-15 Providing for the Abatement of certain taxes levied against real property for General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Sales Tax Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2010C – Lynn Boulevard and Oak Grove Roadway Construction Project in the amount of \$213,150.00**
- E) Resolution #R2014-11-16 Providing for the Abatement of General Real Property Taxes for Taxable General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2010D (Recovery Zone Economic Development Bonds – Direct Payment) in the amount of \$365,490.00**
- F) Resolution #R2014-11-17 Providing for the Abatement of certain taxes levied against real property for General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2005 – Street Program in the amount of \$166,812.50**
- G) Resolution #R2014-11-18 Providing for the Abatement of General Real Property Taxes for General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2012 in the amount of \$3,398,450.00**
- H) Resolution #R2014-11-19 Providing for the abatement of certain taxes levied against real property for the Special Service Area Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 1995 – Tori Pines in the amount of \$43,000.00**

- I) Petition to allow Toys for Tots to solicit funds at the intersections of Second Street/Second Avenue and Third Street/First Avenue from 8:00 am to 12:00 noon on Saturday, November 15, 2014

The motion was seconded by Alderman Martin. Manager Shumard explained these resolutions guarantee an alternate source of funding instead of the tax levy. Voting: Ayes – Aldermen Elston, Martin, Schuchard, Sotelo, and Stauter. Nays – None. Motion carried.

Chief Cook introduced Derek Sheaves, a new probationary firefighter. Sheaves lives in Mendota with his wife and children. He has his Firefighter III and EMT certifications.

Chief Cook introduced Firefighter Trevor Meyers who is being promoted to Lieutenant. Trevor Meyers was pinned by his daughter, Ellison. Lieutenant Matt Laughlin is being promoted to Captain and was pinned by his wife, Brandi.

Chief Cook stated that between our new hires and promotions, we are achieving our goal of serving the community to the best of our ability.

Intern Kevin Smith reported that we are proceeding with electronic board packets. Training will take place before or after the Council meeting on Monday, December 1. A BoardDocs representative will be here throughout the day if anyone would prefer to stop by during the noon hour for training.

Alderman Martin encouraged everyone to get out and vote tomorrow.

Alderman Elston stated that she attended the ribbon cutting for Dunham Sports and encouraged everyone to check out the new store, as well as the new pretzel shop.

Mayor Lee echoed Alderman Martin's sentiments about voting.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 6:40 pm.

Marie Rombouts
City Clerk