

**CITY OF TEMPLE MINUTES
TEMPLE CITY COUNCIL
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2012 @ 6:30 PM
TEMPLE CITY HALL**

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Ford called the regular scheduled Council Meeting to order at 6:30pm with the following members present constituting a quorum: Council Member William Simmons, Council Member Hiley Miller; Council Member Jay Mann; Council Member Terron Bivins and Councilmember Richard Bracknell

INVOCATION: The invocation was given by Mayor Rick Ford @ 6:31pm

Mayor Ford welcomed the Newly Elected District 3 Commissioner Tommy Lee

CITIZENS COMMENTS:

Mayor Ford opened the floor for citizen's comments:
There were none

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS:

Public Safety: Agenda Item

Community Development: Agenda Item

Recreation: Council Member Richard Bracknell addressed the other Council Members as well as the audience regarding the happenings over at the Temple Recreation Department. There are a lot of projects going on over at the Recreation Department, you can actually see the footprints for the walking trails that are coming along. We have completed the water fountains. The parking lot where the old police department was located has now been covered with crush and run for extra parking. The pavement will come in the near future. The lake is important but at this time, not a top priority. The Recreation Department submitted a new land grant application the end of July; we should know something back from it in December. We have a lot of exciting things going on at the Recreation Department.

Personnel: Agenda Report

Senior Center: No Report

Financial: No Report

Public Works: Agenda Item

Public Safety: No Report

CONSENT AGENDA:

Council Member William Simmons motioned to approve the consent agenda; seconded by Council Member Richard Bracknell. Motion carried 5-0

Council Member Richard Bracknell made a motion to remove agenda Item #1 from Old Business and Agenda Item #5 from new business; seconded by Council Member Terron Bivins. Motion carried 5-0

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1.) **Discussion of Major Temple Garden Club Water Bill:** Removed from agenda
- 2.) **Consideration of Ordinance for Designating Open Records Clerk:** 2nd Read.
Council Member Terron Bivins made a motion to approve the Ordinance for Designating the Open Records Clerk; seconded by Council Member Hiley Miller. Motion carried 5-0

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1.) **Ratification of Employment by City Administrator: Police Department**
Council Member William Simmons motioned to approve the employment ratification of the new office at the police department; seconded by Jay Mann. Motion carried 5-0
- 2.) **Ratification of Employment by City Administrator: A/R Clerk @ City Hall**
Council Member Hiley Miller made a recommendation to approve the employment ratification for a new accounts receivable clerk at City Hall; seconded by Council Member Terron Bivins. Motion Carried 5-0
- 3.) **Amendments to Employee Handbook:** Maternity/Paternity leave and Probationary Period
Council Member Terron Bivins asked these items to be removed from the employee handbook effective immediately; seconded by Council Member William Simmons. Motion carried 5-0
- 4.) **Invoice Cloud:** 24/7 Self Service Online Upgrade
Council Member Richard Bracknell motioned that we get the invoice cloud as an upgrade so that customers will have 24/7 access to view their bill, pay their bills, etc; seconded by Council Member Jay Mann. Motion carried 5-0
- 5.) **Discussion of LOST Distribution w/Carroll County:** Item removed from Agenda
- 6.) **Ratification of vehicle purchase for Codes Department:**
City Administrator Kim Pope shared with the Council that she was able to purchase a vehicle for the codes department at a cost of \$9,300 she received \$9,295.41 from the insurance company on the vehicle that was totaled from the water plant. This making the total paid for the truck \$ 4.59. Motion carried 4-1 with Council Member Hiley Miller abstaining.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL CLOSING COMMENTS:

Bivins: Temple's Annual Founder's Day will be this Saturday, September 15, 2012. Everyone please come out and enjoy the fun.

Miller: Backpack program every Friday

Simmons: None

Miller: None

Mayor Ford: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION: There was no business to discuss in Executive Session tonight.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business to discuss; Councilmember William Simmons motioned to adjourn at 6:45 pm; seconded by Councilmember Richard Bracknell. The motion carries 5-0

Rick Ford - Mayor

Attest:

Angie Costner – City Clerk