REGULAR MEETING

OF THE

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACHSE

SEPTEMBER 2, 2008

The City Council of the City of Sachse held a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, September 2, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. at the Sachse City Hall after proper notice. The roll of the duly constituted City Council Members was called which members are as follows, to wit:

Mayor Mike Felix
Mayor Pro Tem Chris Lam
Councilman Mark Timm
Councilman Bill Adams
Councilman Charles W. Smith
Councilwoman Pat McMillan
Councilman Cullen King

and all were present except Mayor Pro Tem Lam.

Staff present: City Manager Allen Barnes
City Secretary Terry Smith

1. Consent Agenda:
Following discussion, Councilman King moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of: a. Approval of Minutes of the August 18, 2008, Regular Meeting; and b. Approval of Minutes of the August 25, 2008, Special Meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman McMillan and carried unanimously.

2. Mayor and City Council Announcements:
Mayor Felix presented a proclamation recognizing Sachse Olympic athletes Diana and Julie Pickler. He then recognized September 2008, as National Preparedness Month. Mayor Felix then read a proclamation recognizing the Small Business Library opening.

Mayor Felix presented a plaque of appreciation to outgoing Finance Director Alan Dickerson.

3. Citizen Input:
Ed Stelnicki 5801 Vista Glenn, presented the Friends of the Library 2009 calendar of events.

4. Presentation of a Certificate of Appreciation to former Planning & Zoning Commissioner Robert Lafaye:
Mayor Felix presented a certificate of appreciation to former Planning & Zoning Member Robert Lafaye.

5. Administer Oath of Office to Dennis Veach as Chief of Police:
Mayor Felix administered the oath of office to Chief of Police Dennis Veach.

6. Consider new programs and best practices in the Police Department:
Police Chief Veach made a short presentation to the City Council. No formal action was taken.

7. Conduct workshop session for proposed Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Budget:
Finance Director Alan Dickerson reviewed the recent budget changes.

8. Conduct second public hearing on the proposed tax rate of $ 0.6200 for Fiscal Year 2008-2009 and announce meeting date of September 15, 2008 to adopt the tax rate:
Mayor Felix opened the public hearing.

Terry Kelly 6404 Coral Lane, stated he did not understand the justification for raising the tax rate.

There being no other comments, Councilman King moved to close the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman McMillan and carried unanimously.

9. Conduct public hearing on the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2008-2009:
Mayor Felix opened the public hearing.

Jim Becker 1105 Meadow Lane, stated he appreciated the increase in street maintenance in the budget. He suggested budget cuts could be made in the areas of the comprehensive plan and using consultants.

Tina Stelnicki 5801 Vista Glenn, stated the first exposure to the City is the web site. Ease of finding information is an asset.

Venus Harvey 3706 Lilly, questioned if the new sanitation contract will be in the budget. She also asked if the police department was hiring new officers.

There being no further comments, Councilman Timm moved to close the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Councilman Smith and carried unanimously.

10. Consider approval of a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract for services for the independent audit of the Fiscal Year 2008 financial statements:
Following discussion, Councilman Timm moved to approve Resolution No. 3075 authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract for services for the independent audit of the Fiscal Year 2008 financial statements in an amount not to exceed $ 33,700. The motion was seconded by Councilman Smith and carried unanimously.

11. Consider the appointment of a City Council liaison to the Regional Transportation Council:
Following discussion, Councilman Smith moved to appoint Councilman Bill Adams as liaison to the RTC. The motion was seconded by Councilman King and carried unanimously.

There being no further business, Councilman Timm moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilman King and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:12 p.m.

ATTEST:

CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED:

MAYOR