



MINUTES SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, December 20, 2016 – 10:00 am
Police and Courts Building, 100 West Main Street
Royse City, Texas

A. CALL TO ORDER 10:00 AM BY MAYOR NICHOL

Announce the presence of a quorum.

Members Present: Mayor, Janet Nichol
Council Member Place 1, Charles Houk – 10:05 am
Mayor Pro Tem, Council Member Place 2, Clay Ellis
Council Member Place 3, Bruce Bradley
Council Member Place 4, Matt Wheatley
Council Member, Place 6, Tom Crowley

Members Absent: Council Member Place 5, James Branch

Staff Present: City Manager, Carl Alsabrook
City Secretary, Deborah Sorensen
City Attorney, Jason Day
Director of Finance, Shannon Raymond
Executive Dir. of Development & Community Services, Janet McPherson
Fire Chief, Rickey Bell
Executive Director of Community Development Corp., Larry Lott

B. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro Tem Ellis gave invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

None

D. BUSINESS

- 1. Consider and act concerning an Interlocal Agreement with Rockwall County for Radio Interoperability, and any matters related thereto.

Jason Day stated staff recommends approval of this. Rockwall County is paying for a large percentage of this. It does include Rockwall, Collin, and Hunt counties.

Carl responded to a question about the estimated maintenance fees outlined in Table 2. They are what they told us before. Year one, of course, there are none because of the warranty coverage. Shannon Raymond stated it is based on the number of radios.

Council Member Crowley asked about Page 4 Section 7, Terms of Use, Item C, which reads in part, "The discounts in pricing proposed by Vendor will be valid for a period of 5 years upon the County's final acceptance of the IRN", as to why it is not for the full ten years. Jason responded that can be one of the questions we ask. I do not know if that is as long as the vendor would do that.

Rickey Bell stated the life expectancy of the radio system is supposedly 10 years. As far as he knows, it matches the maintenance agreement for the warranty.

Jason stated he had not been involved in the actual negotiation of this, but that is one thing that can be asked about why. He further added it was the County that did all the negotiating on this contract and then we just signed an agreement with the County, the terms that they have already negotiated with the vendor.

Council Member Crowley also asked who is the point of contact referred to on page 5? Rickey responded he was. Council Member Crowley also asked if the test on the equipment referred to on page 6. Rickey responded we designated specific buildings that we are having problems with the radios now, and they have come out and done tests. We will have radio coverage with the new radios. The majority of the schools, any large building, like Walmart, we have issues with now, that is supposed to be addressed with the new radios. They guarantee radio coverage to be 96-98%.

Jason stated further that we are not contracting directly with the vendor. We have very little control over certain things. As far as percentage, he knows they did the test, but he do not know if we can get them to commit to a certain number, or anything like that. If we see anything that is super-concerning, than he would probably recommend the Mayor not sign it and we can come back and talk about it. At this point, he has not seen anything that is super-concerning.

Council Member Wheatley made a motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement with Rockwall County, but let the City Attorney review it first, and allow the Mayor to sign. Council Member Bradley seconded the motion. **Motion passed 6-0.**

E. RECESS CITY COUNCIL MEETING AT 10:14 AM

F. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Recess into Closed Session in compliance with Section §551.001 etseq. Texas Government Code, to wit:

Section §551.071 - Private consultation with the City Attorney

1. Discussion with City Attorney regarding legal status of North Texas Municipal Water District's (NTMWD) Rate Case filed before the Texas Public Utility Commission (PUC) and the legal effects on the City.
2. Discussion with City Attorney regarding legal authority to regulate alcohol businesses.

Mayor Pro Tem Ellis left the City Council Meeting at 11:35 am.

G. CLOSE EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 12:15 PM

H. RECONVENE CITY COUNCIL MEETING AT 12:15 PM

1. Further discussion and possible action from Executive Session concerning legal status of North Texas Municipal Water District's (NTMWD) Rate Case filed before the Texas Public Utility Commission (PUC) and the legal effects on the City, and any matters related thereto.

Council Member Crowley made a motion to have the City Attorney take action to protect the rates for the future. Council Member Wheatley seconded the motion. **Motion passed 5-0.**

2. Further discussion and possible action from Executive Session concerning legal authority to regulate alcohol businesses, and any matters related thereto.

I. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. Consider and/or action to determine and direct City Staff in scheduling topics for discussion at future City Council Meetings, and any matters related thereto.

Mayor Nichol would like an update on the city owned house situation.

Council Member Crowley asked about the quarterly update from the NTMWD Board of Directors city appointees.

J. ADJOURN AT 12:19 PM

Council Member Bradley made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Houk seconded the motion. **Motion passed 5-0.**



Janet Nichol, Mayor

ATTEST:



Deborah Sorensen, TRMC, City Secretary

