

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE
PRAIRIE VIEW CITY COUNCIL
OF WALLER COUNTY, TEXAS
FOR OCTOBER 28, 2014**

Call to Order

Mayor Jackson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Certification of Quorum

Roll Call of Quorum was called by Carl Jones. All Council Members were in attendance with the exception of Council Member Randle.

Invocation

Council Member Herndon performed the invocation.

Citizen Comments

A Citizen who resides at Shady Oaks addressed the Mayor and Council regarding a Drug Bust. David Allen spoke on the City Ordinances and Council should be aware of Hiring Process in the Police Department.

Carla White, Commissioner Barnett and Georgia Jackson presented their views on issues before the city.

Presentation by Councilwoman Barnett recognizing the FFA/4H Youth from the Prairie View Community who participated in showing livestock at the 2014 Waller County Fair.

Councilwoman Barnett presented to the FFA/4H Youth Certificates and introduced the participants to Mayor, Council and Citizens for their participation showing livestock at the 2014 Waller County Fair.

Presentation by Dr. Sam Arguwa on Communities That Care.

Dr. Arguwa spoke to the Mayor and Council on Communities That Care and how he arrived at Prairie View A&M University.

Presentation and update by Veronica Hargest on National Night Out(October 7, 2014) in the City of Prairie View.

Ms. Hargest gave an update of National Night Out in the City of Prairie View. Ms. Hargest thanked everyone involved and the City of Prairie View Police Department for assisting to make National Night Out a SUCCESS !

Approval of Ratification of Accounts Payable for October 28, 2014.

Motion to approve the ratification of Accounts Payable was made by Council Member Thomas second by Council Member Herndon.

Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Council Member Rowland	yes
Council Member Randle	absent
Council Member Herndon	yes
Council Member Thomas	yes
Council Member Barnett	yes

Approval of Minutes from September 23, 2014 City Council Meeting/

Motion to approve the Minutes from September 23, 2014 City Council Meeting with necessary corrections was made by Council Member Thomas second by Council Member Herndon.

Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Council Member Rowland	yes
Council Member Randle	absent
Council Member Herndon	yes
Council Member Thomas	yes
Council Member Barnett	yes

Approval of the Call Meeting Minutes September 29, 2014.

Motion to approve the Minutes from September 29, 2014 Call Meeting with necessary corrections was made by Council Member Thomas second by Council Member Herndon.

Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Council Member Rowland	yes
Council Member Randle	absent
Council Member Herndon	yes
Council Member Thomas	yes
Council Member Barnett	yes

Discuss possible requirements to enhance safety and security for the lease or use of property for large gatherings of one hundred(100) people or more.

Motion was made by Council Member Herndon to postpone item #11 until next City Hall Council Meeting and take action on Ordinance for parties.

Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Council Member Rowland	yes
Council Member Randle	absent
Council Member Herndon	yes
Council Member Thomas	yes
Council Member Barnett	yes

Discuss and take action on approving Fiscal Year 2014 – 2015 Employee Holiday Schedule.

Motion was made by Council Member Rowland second by Council Member Herndon with necessary corrections. Mr. Jones informed Council it should be two(2) days December 24 and 25 instead of the three(3) days noted.

Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Council Member Rowland	yes
Council Member Randle	absent
Council Member Herndon	yes
Council Member Thomas	yes
Council Member Barnett	yes

Discuss and take action on appointing Councilman Herbert Thomas and Councilwoman Paulette Matthews-Barnett as the City of Prairie View Representative to the 36A Coalition.

Council Member Thomas spoke on 36A Coalition asking for the City of Prairie View to send a Representative to 36A Coalition. Motion was made by Council Member Herndon second by Council Member Rowland, and amend making Council Member Rowland and Alternate.

Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Council Member Rowland	yes
Council Member Randle	absent
Council Member Herndon	yes
Council Member Thomas	yes
Council Member Barnett	yes

Discuss and take action on starting a study and process proposing a Charter for the City of Prairie View Home Rule.

Council Member spoke to the Mayor and Council on Home Rule for the City of Prairie View. Stated Citizens voted it down.

Motion was made by Council Member Rowland second by Council Member Thomas to place on May Ballot Extra Territorial Jurisdiction.

Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Council Member Rowland	yes
Council Member Randle	absent
Council Member Herndon	yes
Council Member Thomas	yes
Council Member Barnett	yes

Discuss and take action on approving Mr. Erskine Payne, CPA to perform 2013-2014 CITY FINANCIAL AUDIT.

Question by Council Member Barnett how was Mr. Payne selected? The Mayor informed Council Member Barnett he to do the Audit. Council Member Barnett suggestion to the Mayor and Council in the future years was to bid Audit. Council Member Rowland had an unreadiness

Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Council Member Rowland	yes
Council Member Randle	absent
Council Member Herndon	yes
Council Member Thomas	yes
Council Member Barnett	

Department Head Reports

Reports were turned in.

Council Members Reports (written)

Reports were turned in.

Mayors Report / Remarks

Mayor Jackson addressed all questions and remarks by the citizens. Mayors report was turned in.

Executive Session (Close to Public)

The City Council of the City of Prairie View will convene into Executive Session Pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code to consult with its attorney; and pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code, Personnel Matters, to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee.

- (1) Administration/Public Works Personnel**
(a) City Secretary (b) Public Works Vacant Positions,
(2) Police Personnel/Vacant Positions.

Discuss and take any action from Executive Session.

Motion to declare the public works operator/field supervisor position vacant and authorize staff to advertise for receipt of applications to fill the position was made by Council Member Thomas second by Council Member Herndon.

Motion to execute a temporary employment agreement with Fredrick Alexander for performance of services as a public works operation/field supervisor for up to fo4 months was made by Council Member Thomas second by Council Member Herndon.

Motion to declare the City Secretary position vacant (upon the leaving of the current city secretary) and authorize staff to advertise for receipt of applications to fill the position was made by Council Member Thomas second by Council Member Barnett.

Motion to authorized staff to advertise for receipt of applications to fill 3 vacant police officer positions was made by Council Member Rowland second by Council Member Thomas.

Motion that city attorney prepare ordinance to amend the city budget to add \$5,000 to the base salaries of the current police officers, and increase the salaries to \$40,000 for new hires into the police office positions was made by Council Member Thomas second by Council Member Herndon.

Motion to amend the city budget to transfer funds needed for payment of overtime to police officers was made by Council Member Rowland second by Council Member Thomas.

City Council returned to Regular Session at 11:40 p.m.

Announcements

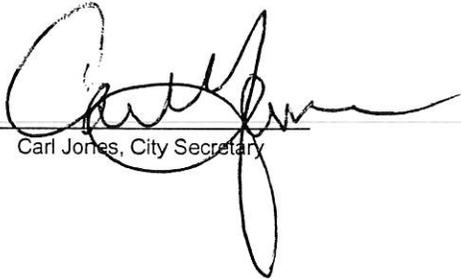
There were no announcements.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made by Council Member second by Council Member .

Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Council Member Rowland	yes
Council Member Randle	absent
Council Member Herndon	yes
Council Member Thomas	yes
Council Member Barnett	yes



Carl Jones, City Secretary