

# ***City Council***

## ***Regular Meeting***

**April 14, 2014**

The following were present: Mayor Charlie Brown, Mayor Pro Tem Fred Jones; Council Members Doug Gaeke, Alan Casey, Gene Parker, and Joel Lopez; City Attorney Michelle Weiser, City Secretary Jessica Graefe, and City Manager Ricky Jorgensen.

### **I. Call to Order**

Mayor Charlie Brown called to order the regular meeting of the City Council at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 14, 2014, at the Giddings Municipal Building.

### **II. Pledges to the US and Texas Flags**

### **III. Invocation & Welcome**

Council Member Gene Parker gave the invocation and Mayor Brown welcomed the visitors.

### **IV. Citizen's Comments**

No comments.

### **V. Consent Agenda**

Mayor Brown moved consent agenda item b under new business.

Council Member Joel Lopez moved to approve the items on the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Fred Jones.

a) Minutes of the Regular Meeting held March 24, 2014.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: five

NAY: none

### **VI. New Business**

a) Mayor Pro Tem Fred Jones moved to approve Resolution 316-2014 to suspend Centerpoint Energy Gas "GRIP" rate increase in the South Texas Division. The motion was seconded by Council Member Joel Lopez.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: five

NAY: none

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 316-2014**

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF GIDDINGS, TEXAS, ("CITY") RESPONDING TO THE APPLICATION OF CENTERPOINT ENERGY ENTEX, SOUTH TEXAS DIVISION TO INCREASE RATES UNDER THE GAS RELIABILITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM; SUSPENDING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS RATE APPLICATION FOR FORTY-FIVE DAYS; REQUIRING THE REIMBURSEMENT OF COSTS; DETERMINING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED COMPLIED WITH THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT; MAKING SUCH OTHER FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

b) Mayor Charlie Brown called the Council, City Manager, and City Attorney into Executive Session at 7:08 p.m., to deliberate the evaluation and duties of the City Manager, in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Government Code, Section 551.074.

Mayor Brown reconvened the open session at 7:45 p.m., and stated that no action was taken.

c) Mayor Pro Tem Fred Jones moved to approve the City Manager's 2% merit raise effective immediately. The motion was seconded by Council Member Doug Gaeke.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: five

NAY: none

## **VII. Announcements**

City Secretary Jessica Graefe gave the following announcements:

1. Early voting begins April 28 & 29 from 7am to 7pm and April 30 through May 6 from 8am to 4:45pm; Election day May 10, 2014 from 7am to 7pm.

2. City council meeting at the library on Monday, April 28<sup>th</sup>.

3. P&Z meeting on Monday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm.

4. City council & canvassing on Monday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

## **VIII. Adjournment**

Mayor Brown adjourned the meeting at 7:49 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Jessica Graefe, City Secretary

Minutes approved by: \_\_\_\_\_