



Giddings City Council – Regular Meeting Minutes
April 08, 2019, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Dowell at 7:05 p.m. with the following present:

Members Present: Mayor John Dowell, Mayor Pro-Tem Joel Lopez,
Council Member Frank Castro, Linda Pruitt, Alan Casey

Staff Present: City Manager Ricky Jorgensen, City Secretary Andrea Ray,
Director of Public Works Spencer Schneider, Captain Farah Ramsey,
Sargent Billy Stephens

2. PLEDGES TO THE US AND TEXAS FLAGS

Pledges were said.

3. INVOCATION AND WELCOME

Mayor Pro-Tem Joel Lopez gave the invocation and welcomed all in attendance.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements.

5. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

Proclamation Sexual Assault Awareness Month
Proclamation for Robert William Clark 90th Birthday.

6. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

No citizen's comments.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

All of the following items are considered to be self-explanatory by the Council and will be enacted with one motion. There will be no discussion of these items unless Council Member so requests.

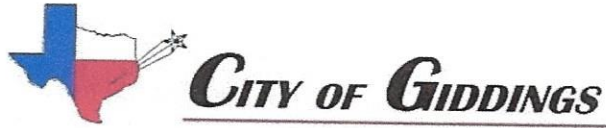
- a. Consider approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting held on April 8, 2019.

A motion was made by Council Member Linda Pruitt and seconded by Council Member Frank Castro approval of Minutes for Meeting held on April 8, 2019.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members Lopez, Pruitt, Castro, Casey

Nays: None



8. PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Dowell opened the public hearing at 7:16 p.m.

- a. The City of Giddings, Texas proposes to institute annexation proceedings to enlarge and extend the boundary limits of said city to include the following described territory, to-wit:

0.495-acre tract lying outside the city limits of the City of Giddings, being that portion of said 11.031 tract of the W.H Moore Survey, abstract 208 Lee County, Texas.
(Middle School Road) (CR114)

A public hearing will be held by and before the City Council of the City of Giddings, Texas on the 8th day of April, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. o'clock in the City Council Chamber of the City Hall of the City of Giddings, Texas, for all persons interested in the above proposed annexation. At said time and place all such persons shall have the right to appear and be heard. Of all said matters and things, all persons interested in the things and matters herein mentioned, will take notice.

By order of the City Council of the City of Giddings, Texas this the 8th day of April, 2019.

Mayor Dowell closed the public hearing at 7:18 p.m.

9. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discussion and take possible action regarding the voluntary annexation of a 0.495-acre tract lying outside the City limits of the City of Giddings, being that portion of said 11.031 tract of the W.H. Moore Survey, abstract 208, Lee County, Texas (Middle Scholl Road) (CR 114).

Public Works Director Spencer Schneider presented this item to City Council. He stated this voluntary annexation is by Alan Roberts and Jennifer Dunkin. Spencer presented a map to City Council to show a small area of a 0.495-acre tract for the voluntary annexation. Jennifer was present for questions. The voluntary annexation of a 0.495-acre tract lying outside the City limits pf the City of Giddings being that portion of said 11.031 tract of the W.H. Moore Survey, abstract 208, Lee County, Texas
(Middle Scholl Road) (CR 114).

A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Joel Lopez, and seconded Council Member Linda Pruitt approval regarding the voluntary annexation of a 0.495-acre tract lying outside the City limits of the City of Giddings, being that portion of said 11.031 tract of the W.H. Moore Survey, abstract 208, Lee County, Texas (Middle Scholl Road) (CR 114).

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members Lopez, Pruitt, Castro, Casey

Nays: None



- b. Discuss and take possible action regarding the donation of Block 291, Lot 1 of the O.T. Giddings Survey (909 S Grimes Street), plus \$10,000.00 donation for demolition expenses of the structures located on the property from Well Fargo Bank.

Public Works Director Spencer Schneider presented this item to City Council. Spencer stated the property was donated by Wells Fargo Bank, plus \$10,000 for the demolition expenses. The structures on this property are a house and two storage buildings that are in need to be demolition. This process will make an empty lot that the City Giddings can sale. The property can only be sold for the appraisal value.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Joel Lopez and seconded by Council Member Alan Casey approving the donation of Block 291, Lot 1 of the O.T.Giddings Survey (909 S Grimes Street), plus \$10,000.00 donation for demolition expense of the structures located on the donated property from Well Fargo Bank.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members Lopez, Pruitt, Castro, Casey

Nays: None

- c. Discuss and take possible action regarding appointment of Denise Kieschnick as the Local Rabies Control Authority for the Texas Department of State Health Services.

City Manager Ricky Jorgensen stated the City is moving this designation from Amy Proske whom left the City to Denise Keischink whom moved up to the Director of Animal Control. Denise will also be working on her certification for Director of Animal Control for the City of Giddings.

A motion was made by Council Member Linda Pruitt and seconded by Council Member Alan Casey regarding appointing Denise Kieschnick as the Local Rabies Control Authority for the Texas Department of State Health Services.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members Lopez, Pruitt, Castro, Casey

Nays: None

- d. Discussion and take possible action to approve the reappointment of Judge Robert Lee as Municipal Court Judge for a two-year term.

A motion was made by Council Member Alan Casey and seconded by Council Member Linda Pruitt to approve the reappointment of Judge Robert Lee and Municipal Court Judge for a two-year term.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members Lopez, Pruitt, Castro, Casey

Nays: None



- e. Discussion and possible action to approve the Resolution No. 432-2019, CenterPoint Gas will be making Interim Rate Adjustment or “GRIP” filings with the Cities in their South Texas Division. The Company is seeking recovery of \$37,256 78. The current filing will increase rates to residential customers by \$2.04 per month. This will increase the current residential customer rate charge from \$19.00 to \$21.04 per month. The increase is currently scheduled to go into effect on May 27, 2019.

City Manager Ricky Jorgensen presented this item to the City Council. Ricky stated, unfortunately, we cannot do anything about the gas rate increasing, but this Resolution No. 432-2019 can delay the implementation for 45 days.

A motion was made by Council Member Alan Casey and seconded by Council Member Frank Castro approving Resolution No. 432-2019 approving CenterPoint Gas making an Interim Rate Adjustment or “GRIP” filings with the Cities in their South Texas division. The Company is seeking recovery of \$37,256.78. The current filing will increase to the residential customers by \$2.04 per month. This will increase the current residential customer rates from \$19.00 to \$21.04 per month. The increase is currently scheduled to go into effect on May 27, 2019.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members Lopez, Pruitt, Castro, Casey

Nays: None

- f. Discussion and take possible action regarding the appraisal bid of \$1000.00 for June Heinemann to purchase West 10’ of Alley, Block 201, City of Giddings, Lee County, Texas.

City Manager Ricky Jorgensen presented this item to City Council. Ricky stated, Mrs. Heinemann wants to purchase this alley. An application was filed and the fee was paid of \$200. A very extensive appraisal was performed and ending up being \$1,000. Letters to surrounding property owners was sent.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Joel Lopez and seconded by Council Member Linda Pruitt approving the appraisal bid of \$1000.00 for June Heinemann to purchase West 10’ of Alley, Block 201, City of Giddings, Lee County, Texas.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members Lopez, Pruitt, Castro, Casey

Nays: None



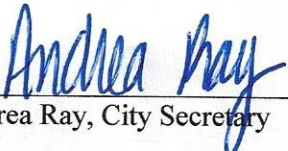
10. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

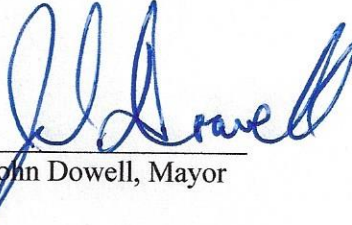
- 1) Security Plan in the works for City Hall and Municipal Court.
- 2) Fees collected for permits etc. \$46000.00 for the last three months
- 3) LCRA painted The City of Giddings Golf Course Club House.
- 4) Reminder for City Council for the Bastrop Class.
- 5) 3 new houses are going up and maybe two more.
- 6) G.P.D and L.C. S. did a good job, with the problem in Veterans Park.
- 7) Eminent domain meeting.
- 8) EDC grants for the business park.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at Monday, April 8, 2019 at 7:55 p.m. by Mayor Dowell.

ATTEST:


Andrea Ray, City Secretary


John Dowell, Mayor

