

City of Santa Clara City Council Minutes

The Santa Clara City Council met on September 26, 2011. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 by Mayor Jeff Hunt. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present for roll call was Councilman Felix, Councilman Chamberlain, Councilman Hodges and Councilman Jonassen and Councilman Folbre.

Councilman Felix made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 22, 2011 and August 29, 2011 meeting. Councilman Hodges seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Citizens to Heard;

Margret Davis would like to thank the council for stepping it up. She had an issue with a phone call getting through that the city have a cell phone and rotate it amongst the city council.

Chairman Peters gave a report of the Planning Commission September 12, 2011 meeting.

A discussion Bill White's invoices was held. Councilman Chamberlain wanted to know if anyone checks the math and mileage on Bill White's invoices. Councilman Jonassen purposed that the city come up with a procedure to have someone go out and check Bill White's work. Councilman Folbre commented that it is uncalled for to go out and check Mr. White's work because he is a city employee Councilman Chamberlain was still unhappy with Bill White's invoices, Mayor Hunt said that he will check the math closer on Mr. White's invoices.

Road Budget

Councilman Chamberlain purposed that the city roll over extra money to the budget. Roll Over – GGP/ Get Attorney, Councilman Folbre comments on roll over that in 3-10 years the city would have to have a law enforcement and or municipal court if the city has another growth spert or would have to split the police department with the city of Marion which would cost the city of Santa Clara \$200,000.00. Councilman Chamberlain mentioned that the county would have a Pct moving problem – that Cibolo would move to Schertz and that 32,000 people would need another JP court. Councilman Felix understood that \$30,000.00 was for the road or enforcement. Mayor Hunt to motion on the floor to take \$30,000.00 CD for the roads. Road Budget stay as is. Councilman Hodges made a motion to roll over \$30,000.00 on the road budget. Councilman Jonassen seconded the motion.

New City Attorney

Attorney use same policy that Steve Beisser had, not full-time position, per case base, and put payment into the budget. Mayor Hunt motions to accept City Attorney works. Councilman Jonassen accepts motion for City Attorney works. Councilman Felix seconded the motion. **PRIVATE DISCUSSION** on new City Attorney – then will come out and vote.

Mayor Hunt calls regular city council meeting to continue. Each member of the city council will pick their top 2 attorneys.

Councilman Chamberlain: Dickerson and Campbell

Councilman Felix: Guevara and Spears

Councilman Hodges: Campbell and Bovey

Councilman Jonassen: Campbell and Dickerson

Councilman Folbre: Guevara and Bovey

Attorney Campbell came in First and Attorney Dickerson came in second. Attorney Campbell is be asked to be new City Attorney, but if he declines the attorney Dickerson will be asked. Councilman Jonassen made a motion to accept attorneys. Councilman Chamberlain seconded the motion. Councilman Felix and Councilman Folbre abstain.

Steve Beisser steps down from the Planning Commission. Councilman Chamberlain asked Steve to reconsider, Mr. Beisser said "No". Mayor Hunt appoints Robert Courtney to replace Steve Beisser's position.

Road Flooding

Councilman Felix has a list that will be emailed of the roads committee. Robert Courtney wants road barriers to be picked up from his house. Councilman Jonassen said that police officer John Terry wants the barriers to take up ½ of the road. Get a bid from a local welder for some kind of barrier with a lock and key. Mayor Hunt suggested that the city ask Bill White to put out barriers and the city pay him to do the job. Councilman Chamberlain said there are 8 low water crossings, 3 major ones, in our city and that there needs to be one barrier on each side of the road. A discussion on who would put out the barriers. Mr. Robert Courtney said that usually the people that live the closest are the ones who put out the barriers. Councilman Felix commented that a flood doesn't always happen at a convent time, sometimes it can be at 2 in the morning. Mayor Hunt said that he would check the equipment and inventory. Councilman Folbre made a motion to for the Road Committee to put our barriers. Councilman Chamberlain seconded the motion. Councilman Hodges oppose the motion.

Mayor's Announcements- Margaret Davis called and didn't get a response. There is 30 days to reponse. Councilman Hodges got a call from Ms. Davis, he gave her the TML information. Mayor Hunt gave Ms. Davis the TML information as well. Councilman Chamberlain has 2 voice mails for Ms. Davis to contact him on and he as never received one call. Mayor Hunt will pass information onto the city attorney.

The next Planning Commission will be October 10, 2011 also meeting will be the Council.

Councilman Folbre made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Felix seconded the motion.

Jeff Hunt
Mayor

Amie Bandel
Secretary