



REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

December 20, 2012 @ 6:00 P. M. at the Oran White Civic Center

MINUTES

The City of Tool, City Council meeting was called to order at 5:59 pm. Present were Councilmen Williams, Phillips, Sonka, Wright and Reeder. Quorum was established with Mayor Pitts presiding.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Pitts.

Motion to approve the Minutes as corrected prior to the meeting for Regular City Council Meeting: November 15th 2012 and Special Meeting November 19th 2012 was made by Council Member Sonka second by Council Member Williams. Motion passed 5-0

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda relating to Monthly Activity Reports for Monthly Activity Reports for November 2012: (A) Municipal Court Report; (B) Police/Animal Control/Code Enforcement Report; (C) Financial and Expenditure Report; (D) Maintenance/Street Department Report; (E) Building Department Report; (F) City of Tool Volunteer Fire Department Report was made by Councilman Phillips second by Councilman Williams. Motion carried 5-0.

ITEM 1: Consideration and or action to approve a request from Sheila Ashley to create a Citizen Patrol Watch. Ms. Ashley was present and asked that another member of the audience be able to speak on her behalf. Tommy Taylor addressed Council stating that the group already had a vehicle equipped with a radio and a light bar. He went on to say he felt that a Citizens Patrol group would improve the City by adding a second set of eyes and would be at no cost to the City. Claudett Allsup, City of Seven Points Council Member, advised that they used them in their City and found them to be beneficial and no trouble at all. Mayor and Council expressed liability concerns. Police Chief Mike Grant said that he was limited in his experience with this type of group but didn't see a problem as long as they agree to never make contact with Citizens. Council Member Phillips questioned whether or not this group would be a liability to the City. Mr Taylor advised that the group had their own insurance and would sign an agreement releasing the City from any and all liability. Mayor Pitts interjected that while he is not opposed to the group this is something he would like to run by the City Attorney and have him prepare waivers in the event he gave his consent. Motion to table was made by Council Member Williams second by Council Member Phillips. Motion passed 5-0.

Motion to adjourn was made by Council Member Phillips, second by Council Member Williams. Motion carried 5-0 at 6:20pm.

Passed and approved this 17th day of January 2013

ATTEST:

Leland Pitts, Mayor

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Makenzie Blaser, City Secretary