

**City of Southmayd, Texas**  
Minutes of the March 17, 2020  
Regular City Council Meeting

The City Council of the City of Southmayd, Texas met on this date at 7:00 p.m. for a regular City Council meeting. City Council members present were Mayor David Turner, Mayor Pro-Tem Debra Thompson, Tom Byler, Michael Horstman, and Robert Thompson. City Staff members present were Police Chief Chad McKee, Fire Chief Brent Thetford, and City Secretary Amanda McGill.

**Agenda**

**A. CALL TO ORDER & Declaration of a Quorum.**

Mayor Turner called the City Council meeting to order at 7:00 pm, March 17, 2020.

**B. Pledge to Flag & Invocation**

Mayor David Turner led Pledge to Flag and Pastor Russell Kirkland led Prayer.

**C. Welcome Guests**

City Council and guests were introduced and welcomed.

**D. PUBLIC FORUM, PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITION: (No Action)**

*Public Forum: (Citizens are allowed 3 minutes to speak. If the issue is on the agenda, the City Council may choose to discuss and consider the item. If the issue is not on the agenda, the Council is not permitted by state law to respond to or discuss the item other than to make statements of specific factual information in response to a citizen's inquiry or to recite existing policy in response to the inquiry. The Council may request the issue to be placed on a future agenda for action in accordance with state law. This forum is not the appropriate place to address complaints against Public Officials and/or Staff. Complaints of this nature should be made in writing and filed with the City Secretary.)*

There were no citizen comments.

**E. CONSENT AGENDA**

*\*Consent agenda items are considered to be routine in nature and may be acted upon in one motion without discussion unless a Council Member or a citizen requests a specific item be discussed and voted on separately.*

1. Discuss, consider, and possible action on approval of the City Council minutes for February 18, 2020.

Councilmember Horstman made a motion to accept the consent agenda.

Councilmember Thompson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F. STAFF REPORTS**

The City Council may discuss any of the items under Staff Reports, but no formal action will be taken.

- \* February Fire Department Report
- \* February Police Report
- \* February Permit Activity Report
- \* February City Secretary Report

## **G. REGULAR AGENDA**

- 1. Discuss, consider, and possible action on the presentation of the February 2020 financial statements and report of accounts by Joe Madden, CPA.**

Mayor Pro Tem Thompson made a motion to accept the financial statements and reports. Councilmember Thompson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

- 2. Discuss, consider, and possible action on the bids received for road repair on Southmayd and Elliott Roads.**

Mayor Pro Tem Thompson made a motion to table the discussion to obtain more bids and to look into grants for road repair.

- 3. Discuss, consider, and possible action on bids received regarding court security for the front office. – Tom Worsham**

This item is removed from agenda until further notice. No action taken.

- 4. Discuss, consider and possible action on approving Ordinance 429, an ordinance of the City of Southmayd, Texas establishing regulations for Auto Storage, Salvage, Junk, and Secondhand dealers within the city limits of the City of Southmayd; requiring a license for the Auto Storage, Salvage, Junk, and Secondhand dealers; providing for a severability clause; providing for an effective date.**

Councilmember Horstman made a motion to table the discussion on Ordinance 429. The ordinance will be sent back to the Planning and Zoning board for further review. The Southmayd Fire and Police Departments will also review for safety regulations. Mayor Pro Tem Thompson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

- 5. Discuss, consider, and possible action on the City-Wide Clean-up through Sanitation Solutions.**

Councilmember Horstman made a motion to table the discussion regarding the City-Wide clean up until the April meeting to find out what dates in May would be available. Councilmember Thompson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

- 6. Discuss, consider, and possible action on the Sanitation Solutions Scholarship deadline for two S&S Seniors.**

Mayor Pro Tem Thompson made a motion to accept scholarship applications until April 17, 2020. Councilmember Horstman seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**7. Discuss, consider, and possible action on allowing front office to utilize a credit/debit card for purchasing office supplies.**

Councilmember Byler made a motion to approve the use of a credit card with a limit of \$1,200.00 shared with the Southmayd Police Department. Mayor Pro Tem Thompson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**8. Discuss, consider, and possible action on hiring a Full-time officer for the Southmayd Police Department.**

Mayor Pro Tem Thompson made a motion to run an ad for 30 days in the newspaper. Councilmember Horstman seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**9. Discuss, consider, and possible action on the purchase of a new radio in vehicle 113 for the Southmayd Police Department.**

Mayor Pro Tem Thompson made a motion to approve the purchase of the new radio with the funds coming from the Southmayd Police Chief donation account. Councilmember Horstman seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**10. Discuss, consider, and possible action on the purchase of a new module for property and evidence for the Southmayd Police Department.**

Mayor Pro Tem Thompson made a motion to table the discussion until the proper fees are received for Cop Sync. Councilmember Thompson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**11. Discuss, consider, and possible action on the COVID-19 Emergency Planning to maintain city services and public safety concerns.**

Councilmember Horstman made a motion to approve the Emergency Proclamation for 30 days. Mayor Pro Tem Thompson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**H. ADJOURN**

Councilmember Horstman moved to adjourn. Mayor Pro Tem Thompson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

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David Turner, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Amanda McGill, City Secretary  
Approved: April 21, 2020