

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**CITY OF SNYDER**

**JUNE 6, 2016**

A Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Snyder, Texas was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro-Tem Steve Highfield with the following members present:

Councilmember Rodney Dupree  
Councilmember Vernon Clay  
Councilmember Steve Rich  
Attorney for the City, Bryan Guymon

And the following absent:

Mayor Tony Wofford  
Councilmember Tom Strayhorn  
Councilmember Luann Burleson

**ITEM I. INVOCATION:**

The invocation was given by Perry Westmoreland.

**ITEM II. NON-ACTION ITEMS:**

1. Councilmember Vernon Clay signed Statement of Officer and received Certificate of Election.
2. Councilmember Vernon Clay stated Oath of Office.

**ITEM III. RECOGNIZE EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH:**

Mayor Pro-Tem Steve Highfield recognized Angela Blair as the Employee of the Month.

**ITEM IV. RECOGNIZE VISITORS:**

Mayor Pro-Tem Steve Highfield recognized the following visitors:

Ben Barkley, Snyder Daily News; Linda Molina, Snyder Chamber of Commerce; Keith Hackfeld, Hackfeld Real Estate; Shaun Martin, Atmos Energy; Sy Tabor, STAR Program; Allyson Highfield, Snyder.

**ITEM V. VISITORS/CITIZENS FORUM:**

No Discussion.

**ITEM VI. MINUTES:**

1. Councilmember Steve Rich made the motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting and Joint Meeting with the Board of Directors of the Development Corporation of Snyder, May 2, 2016.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rodney Dupree and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.  
Noes: None.

2. Councilmember Steve Rich made the motion to approve the minutes of the Building Standards Commission Meeting, May 2, 2016.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rodney Dupree and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.  
Noes: None.

**ITEM VII. BIDS:**

1. Councilmember Vernon Clay made the motion to award the bid for asphalt for Department 25 to Heartland Asphalt.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Steve Rich and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.  
Noes: None.

2. Councilmember Steve Rich made the motion to award the bid for aggregate for Department 25 to Vulcan Materials.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rodney Dupree and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.  
Noes: None.

3. Councilmember Steve Rich made the motion to approve the purchase of a Caterpillar D6T XL-T4 from Warren Cat through Buy Board for \$234,574.72.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rodney Dupree and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.  
Noes: None.

**ITEM VIII. OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Councilmember Steve Rich made the motion to adopt on second reading Ordinance No. 2033 regarding annexation of a 28.059 acre tract, Section 124, Block 3, H&GN RR Company Survey requested by Blake Fulenwider as captioned below:

**AN ORDINANCE, PURSUANT TO A VOLUNTARY REQUEST BY THE PROPERTY OWNER, ANNEXING THE HERINAFTER DESCRIBED ADDITIONAL TERRITORY TO THE CITY OF SNYDER, SCURRY COUNTY, TEXAS, AND EXTENDING THE BOUNDARY LIMITS OF SAID CITY SO AS TO INCLUDE SAID HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED PROPERTY WITHIN SAID CITY LIMITS, AND GRANTING TO ALL THE INHABITANTS OF SAID PROPERTY ALL THE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES OF OTHER CITIZENS AND BINDING SAID INHABITANTS BY ALL OF THE ACTS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, AND REGULATIONS OF SAID CITY.**

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rodney Dupree and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.  
Noes: None.

**ITEM IX. NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Councilmember Rodney Dupree made the motion to approve the STAR Program update.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Vernon Clay and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.

Noes: None.

2. Councilmember Steve Rich made the motion to approve Resolution R160606 approving the settlement agreement between Atmos Cities Steering Committee and Atmos Energy Corp. regarding the Company's 2016 rate review mechanism filings as captioned below:

**AN RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SNYDER, TEXAS, APPROVING A NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT BETWEEN THE ATMOS CITIES STEERING COMMITTEE ("ACSC") AND ATMOS ENERGY CORP., MID-TEX DIVISION REGARDING THE COMPANY'S 2016 RATE REVIEW MECHANISM FILINGS; DECLARING EXISTING RATES TO BE UNREASONABLE; ADOPTING TARIFFS THAT REFLECT RATE ADJUSTMENTS CONSISTENT WITH THE NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT; FINDING THE RATES TO BE SET BY THE SETTLEMENT TARIFFS TO BE JUST AND REASONABLE AND IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST; REQUIRING THE COMPANY TO REIMBURSE ACSC'S REASONABLE RATEMAKING EXPENSES; DETERMINING THAT THIS RESOLUTION WAS PASSED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT; ADOPTING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; ADOPTING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND REQUIRING DELIVERY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE COMPANY AND THE ACSC'S LEGAL COUNSEL.**

The motion was seconded Councilmember Rodney Dupree and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.

Noes: None.

3. Councilmember Rodney Dupree made the motion to nominate Steve Highfield as Mayor Pro-Tem.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Steve Rich and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.

Noes: None.

4. Councilmember Steve Rich made the motion to table the final re-plat of the 28.059 acre tract, Section 124, Block 3, H&GN RR Company Survey requested by Blake Fulenwider. The City has not received the signed plat.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rodney Dupree with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.  
Noes: None.

5. Councilmember Steve Rich made the motion to table approval of a possible Bond Election for Street Improvements for \$6 million until all Councilmembers are present.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rodney Dupree and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.  
Noes: None.

6. Councilmember Steve Rich made the motion to table approval of a possible Bond Election for new City Barn Facilities for \$1.5 million until all Councilmembers are present.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rodney Dupree and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.  
Noes: None.

7. Councilmember Steve Rich made the motion to table approval of a possible Bond Election for a new City Hall for \$3 million until all Councilmembers are present.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rodney Dupree and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.  
Noes: None.

8. Discussion regarding Solar Power Generation. – City Manager Merle Taylor gave the Council an update regarding a possible Solar Plant being built at the old City landfill. The Request for Proposals is complete and if there are no changes the City will start the bidding process.
9. Discussion regarding distribution asset ownership with Oncor. – City Manager Merle Taylor asked the Council to consider joining a distribution asset ownership program with Oncor. This could potentially involve some element of City ownership of some distribution assets. The Council will consider at a future meeting.
10. Councilmember Steve Rich made the motion to table the 2016-2017 budget until all Councilmembers are present.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rodney Dupree and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.  
Noes: None.

**ITEM X. INFORMATION:**

1. Monthly personnel report.
2. Budget Schedule.
3. Next Regular Council Meeting is July 11, 5:30 p.m.; Building Standards Commission Meeting is July 11, 4:30 p.m.

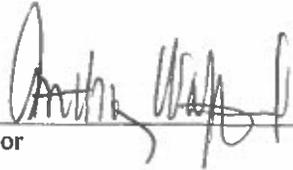
**ITEM XI. ADJOURNMENT:**

1. Councilmember Rodney Dupree made the motion to adjourn.

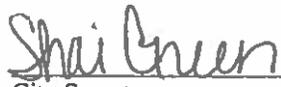
The motion was seconded by Councilmember Steve Rich and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.  
Noes: None.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

  
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Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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City Secretary

Approved: June 21, 2016.