

**REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 18, 2020**

The City Council of the City of Caldwell, Burleson County, Texas convened in a Regular Meeting at the City Hall regular meeting place thereof at 6:30P.M., August 18, 2020 with the following members present:

Members Present:

Norris L. McManus	-Mayor
Allan G. Willis	-Mayor Pro-Tempore
Kavon Novak	-Alderman
James C. Wilde	-Alderman
Jonnie Vic Barnett	-Alderman
Nancy B. Stewart	-Alderwoman

Staff Members Present:

Camden White	-City Administrator
Melissa Gonzalez	-City Secretary
Forrest Williams	-Community Development Director
Charles Sleeth	-Corporal
Bengee Trnka	-Administrative Assistant

Guests Present:

Jerry Hill	-Architect
Mike Sutherland	-BCEDC
Susan Mott	-Chamber of Commerce

The Regular Meeting was in compliance with the Open Meeting Law of the State of Texas. The Agenda was posted within full view of the public for a time greater than seventy-two hours.

Due to Covid-19 and based on the recommendations from the CDC and Governor Abbott's Executive Orders, the City of Caldwell observed guidelines to limit the number of persons physically present during the Special Called Meeting. The meeting was made available to members of the public and allowed for two-way communications for those desiring to participate at the discretion of Mayor McManus.

Attendance was made via telephonic means by dialing 1(646)749-3122, Access Code: 680-038-565 and/or the link at: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/install/680038565>

A quorum being present and the time being 6:30P.M., the Regular Meeting was called to order by Mayor McManus to proceed with business as listed on the agenda.

Alderman Willis gave the Invocation and Alderman Novak led the Pledge to the U.S. and Texas Flags.

Minutes from the 5-26-2020 Workshop Meeting and 6-16-20 Regular Meeting, were before the Council for approval. Alderman Novak moved they be approved with a correction on the 5-26-2020 minutes on page 3 from Clemons to White. Alderman Wilde seconded the motion. All Aldermen and Alderwomen Voted “Aye” none “No”.

There were no citizens to be heard.

Mayor McManus read a Proclamation on Core Essential Values for the month of August. The Core Value for the month is the Big 3, which includes; Treat others right, Make smart decisions and Maximize your potential. The city is participating with the Caldwell Independent School District in promoting students to understand essential values through their Core Values Campaign.

Jerry Hill was present to give an update on the new city hall. Covid-19 has continued to be an issue with progress to the building. A study will be done on the bullet proof glass for the drive-through. After today’s meeting, he remains hopeful that communication will improve and construction will move further along.

Susan Mott gave the Chamber of Commerce report.

Mike Sutherland gave the Burlison County Economic Development Council, Inc. report.

Alderman Wilde moved the Proposed 2020 Tax Rate to remain at the current rate of 0.37957. Alderman Willis seconded the motion. All Aldermen and Alderwoman Voted “Aye” none “No”.

Alderman Novak moved to amend the budget for the fiscal year February 01, 2020 – September 30, 2020 by adding \$75,000.00 to Fund “D” Revenues and expending the \$75,000.00 from Fund “D” to revenues in General Fund 01 in reference to the CARES ACT-CRF. Alderman Barnett seconded the motion. All Aldermen and Alderwoman Voted “Aye” none “No”.

Alderman Novak moved to amend the budget for the fiscal year February 01, 2020 – September 30, 2020 by adding \$97,500.00 to Fund “3” Revenues and expending \$97,500.00 for Transformers, Poles and Meters. Alderman Wilde seconded the motion. All Aldermen and Alderwoman Voted “Aye” none “No”.

Alderman Novak moved to appoint Lia Zaccagnino to the Main Street Advisory Board to fill a vacancy for the term January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2022.

Maps indicate Bear Street divides property, but because that location will not serve a street in the future, a quit claim deed to the property owner adjacent to it has been requested for development of property. Alderman Wilde moved to approve a Quit Claim Deed to ACCO Development, LLC for property located on Wright and Bear Streets. Alderman Novak seconded the motion. All Aldermen and Alderwoman Voted “Aye” none “No”.

No action on Burlison County Fair Parade in September.

Accounts Payable were reviewed by Council.

Staff and Council Reports:

- A. Sales Tax Report, Reviewed.
- B. Application Building Permit Report, Reviewed.
- C. Community Development Report, Reviewed.
- D. Code Enforcement Report, Reviewed.
- E. City Hall Monthly Report, Reviewed.
- F. Municipal Court Report, Reviewed.
- G. Police Report, Reviewed.
- H. Electric, Water/Wastewater Reports for June, May and April, Reviewed.
- I. Administration/Elected Officials Report;

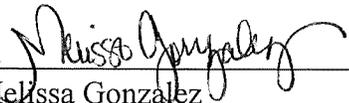
City Administrator White report:

- Looked into the EDA Grant, a scope of services would need to be done for the property at Industrial Park. It will require \$750,000.00 minimum work which does not include gas extension. He will follow up with BVCOG on more details.
- The Zac-Tax program is an analysis tool that does not capture out of city taxes and would cost the city \$3,000.00 per year to have.
- He has also looked into the City having its own tax abatement agreement. We will research tax agreements from other cities our size and bring forward to council for direction as to what kind of abatements will be offered in a workshop meeting.
- Lift Station is going well and should be completed within a month.
- Style Craft builders are moving along well.
- A request for annexation has been asked by Caldwell Heights.

City Secretary:

- Budget Workshop scheduled for Tuesday, September 25 at 6:30P.M.
- Public Hearings on budget and property tax will also be scheduled before next regular council meeting.

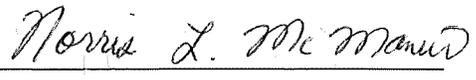
There being no further discussion, Alderman Novak moved to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Wilde seconded the motion. All Aldermen and Alderwoman Voted "Aye" none "No". Mayor McManus declared the meeting adjourned at 7:40P.M.



Melissa Gonzalez
City Secretary

Date Approved: September 15, 2020

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Norris L. McManus
Mayor