

## REGULAR MEETING OF THE ALAMO MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN

MONDAY, MAY 7, 2018 AT 5:00 P.M. AT CITY HALL

Mayor Emison called the meeting to order.

Roll was called with the following Aldermen present: Kenneth Bodkins, Larry Conder, P. B. Conley and John Reddick.

The invocation was given by Reverend Ronald Tharpe, Pastor of Wortham Chapel Baptist Church.

Others present: Rita Reasons, Jim Knox, Reecha Black, Lawrence Hardin, David and Debby Angerer, Tommy Allen, Dewayne Dove, Alex Howard, Dalton Milam, Melissa Posey, Jennifer McCall, Neal Towater, Ferris Arnold and Jim Emison.

A motion was made by Alderman Bodkins to adopt the minutes of the April 2018 minutes and was seconded by Alderman Conley. All Aldermen voted, Aye.

Mayor Emison gave his monthly report on the following items. Mayor Emison stated that the NPDES permit for the sewer system has been submitted and accepted. He stated that the tip and turn would begin soon alerting citizens about mosquito breeding. He stated that he has a designee to take the tornado shelter as night operational manager and defining a protocol for the shelter. TOSHA found 16 violations at the fire department and water plant and currently we are working to correct the violations. He also stated that he has received complaints that the new portion of the cemetery needs sand to keep it from holding water and that John Gorman is probing for graves in the Negro portion of the cemetery, where there are no tombstones. Mayor Emison stated the Ray Fisher has paid the town to tear down and dispose of the property on Conley road and he is working on the Revelle and Mosier houses getting a signed waiver for demolition. Randy Camp is working on a court order that would allow the town to tear down and dispose of the Turman property on East Walnut Street. Ashley Williams has offered to quick claim a property on North Johnson Street, but in our attorney absence we will wait on his approval. He also stated that Simmons Bank has agreed to pay \$400.00 to clean up and spraying of the lot on East Church and

South Bells Street. Mayor Emison stated that 2016 delinquent taxes have not turned over due to which methods Randy Camp and Mayor Emison decide on. Mayor Emison stated that the WWFB is requiring us to send in financials twice a year to comply with the order to watch our financials in the water system. On May 11, 2018 the inside of the ABB water tank will be cleaned and inspected. On Friday, May 11, 2018, Donelda Arview will be pinned for her promotion as acting assistant chief at 11:00 a.m., and her rate of pay was increased to \$17.00 for the position. Mayor Emison stated that on May 21, 2018 the sealed bids for the sewer lift stations will be opened at 11:00 a.m. He also stated that the Town of Alamo has received a phone call that the town has received the Downtown grant of \$15000.00. Finally, Mayor Emison stated that he has talked to the Captain of the 9 district state troopers and asked them to ease up in Alamo so that our officers could do some work.

Reecha Black, acting school superintendent of Alamo City School asked the Board of Aldermen to approve \$300,000.00 of using fund balance for reroofing the school. A motion was made by Alderman Conley to allow the school to use \$300,000.00 of fund balance to reroof the school and it was seconded by Alderman Reddick. All Aldermen voted, Aye.

Mayor Emison read Resolution 2018-7, a resolution adopting the new charter for the Town of Alamo. Mayor Emison thanked the Board of Aldermen, David Angerer, MTAS, Marcy Laxton, Amanda Harris, Rita Reasons and the for all the hard work on the charter. Mayor Emison thanked his brother Jim Emison for lighting the fire under the Mayor for getting the charter rewritten. A motion was made by Alderman Conder to adopt the resolution and Alderman Conley made a second. The voting as follows: Kenneth Bodkins, Aye, Larry Conder, Aye, P.B. Conley, Aye and John Reddick, Aye. The resolution was passed.

Mayor Emison thanked David Angerer for his technical assistance in developing the new charter. The Mayor presented David Angerer with a key to the Town of Alamo for all of service to the town.

Mayor Emison stated that Neal Towater was the only one to put in an application for fire chief. Mayor Emison stated the Mr. Towater agreed to resign from Maury



City police department and not to take any more shifts from the Crockett County Sheriff Department. Alderman Conley made a motion to hire Neal Towater as fire chief with a salary of \$800.00 per month, on a six month trial basis. The motion was seconded by Alderman Conder. All Aldermen voted, Aye. The motion passed.

Mayor Emison stated that the sewer machine bids were due on May 1, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. The bids were opened and the Mayor Emison stated that Spartan Tools met the specifications and had the lowest bid. Alderman Conley made a motion to purchase the sewer machine from Spartan Tool for a price of \$45,195.00 and the motion was seconded by Alderman Bodkins. All Aldermen voted, Aye. The motion carried.

Dwayne Dove stated that he has paid sewer fees for his house at 740 West Church for eight years. He stated that the town cleaned out the septic tank, but it is running over again and that he has purchased his 3rd sump pump for the basement because it smells like raw sewage. He stated that he had a verbal quote from Lynn Dotson for \$7800.00 to hook the house into the towns' sewer system and that he would agree to pay for the parts and the estimated cost for parts is \$800.00 and the boring under the driveway for \$600.00. Mayor Emison stated traditionally the town has not paid for boring under the street, and stated that Mr. Dove would have to pay a tap if there was not one there. Alderman Conder stated that Ferris Arnold needs to find out if there is a tap there or not. Alderman Bodkins made a motion to fix his sewer by connecting to the towns' sewer at a cost to the Town of Alamo of \$5800.00 and Alderman Conder seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted, Aye. The motion carried.

Alderman Conley left the meeting.

With no further business to come before the board Alderman Reddick made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Alderman Bodkins. The meeting was adjourned.