

**CITY OF CARROLLTON
COUNCIL MEETING
CITY HALL**

**JANUARY 10, 2022
7:00 P.M.**

PRESENT:

MAYOR: DWIGHT LOUDEN

**COUNCIL: JOHN BOOTH
KEVIN CRAIG
JEFF DICKOW
HAYLEY FRANKLIN
DOUG HILL**

ATTORNEY FOR CITY: JAKE THOMPSON

CITY CLERK-TREASURER: MELINDA WRIGHT-MOORE

POLICE CHIEF: MIKE WILLHOITE LEFT @ 7:48 P.M.

FIRE CHIEF: MIKE TERRELL

PUBLIC WORKS SUPV: RON KNIGHT

CARROLLTON UTILITIES: TERRY ROACH

CODE ENFORCEMENT: ROBERT HOFMANN

MAIN ST. DIRECTOR: SAM BURGESS

TOURISM: MISTY WHEELER

PRESS: OLIVIA GENNARO/ THE NEWS DEMOCRAT

ABSENT: COUNCILMAN MIKE GORDON

SWEARING IN JONH BOOTH AS COUNCIL MEMBER

JOHN BOOTH HAVING PREVIOUSLY BEEN APPOINTED COUNCIL MEMBER EFFECTIVE UPON FORMER COUNCIL MEMBER DWIGHT LOUDEN'S RESIGNATION, JAKE THOMPSON, CITY ATTORNEY, SWORE IN JOHN BOOTH AS A COUNCIL MEMBER FOR THE CITY OF CARROLLTON.

CALL TO ORDER:

THE MEETING WAS THEN CALLED TO ORDER AT THE HOUR OF 7:00 P.M. BY MAYOR LOUDEN WHO OFFERED THE INVOCATION AND LED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS:

LUANNE SIMMONS- SHE DID NOT WISH TO ADDRESS COUNCIL.
LINDA DAVIS, A PEACEFUL PLACE, SHE DID NOT WISH TO ADDRESS COUNCIL.
AMY CAMPBELL- SHE DID NOT WISH TO ADDRESS COUNCIL.
MALCOLM CARRACO- HE DID NOT WISH TO ADDRESS COUNCIL.
GWEN CHAPMAN, CAROLYN JONES, AND D'ANNE SMITH WITH THE CARROLL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION.

CHARLOTTE WALLACE, 732 SIGNS AND DEIDRA HAYS, THE LEMON DROP BOUTIQUE

MRS. WALLACE ASKED COUNCIL FOR CLARITY ON THE EIP FUNDING AND WHAT COULD BE DONE WITH THE VACANT BUILDINGS DOWNTOWN AND COULD THE CITY BRING IN DEVELOPERS TO HELP WITH DOWNTOWN.

MRS. HAYS ASKED COUNCIL WHAT IMPROVEMENTS COULD BE MADE TO THE BUILDINGS SURROUNDING HER BUSINESS, THE LEMON DROP.

MAYOR LOUDEN SAID THE EIP FUNDING WAS DESIGNED TO HELP DOWNTOWN BUSINESS OWNERS WITH FACADE AND SIGNAGE AND NEW BUSINESS OWNERS WITH RENT SUPPORT.

MRS. WALLACE ASKED WHO THE BUSINESS OWNERS GO TO FOR THE EIP INFORMATION. WOULD THE CITY BE WILLING TO APPROACH THE BUSINESS OWNERS ABOUT THE EIP FUNDING?

MAYOR LOUDEN SAID THE BUSINESS OWNERS WOULD HAVE TO APPROACH THE CITY THEMSELVES.

MRS. HAYS SUGGESTED THE CITY COULD HAND OUT WELCOMING PACKETS TO THE NEW BUSINESS OWNERS.

COUNCILMAN CRAIG SAID THE CITY HAS IMPROVED DOWNTOWN OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS. COUNCILMAN CRAIG SAID THE CITY DOES NEED A VACANT BUILDING ORDINANCE.

MAYOR LOUDEN SAID THE CITY IS TRYING IT'S BEST TO FIX ALL THESE PROBLEMS WITH THE DETERIORATING BUILDING.

PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION HONORING THE MEMBERS OF THE CARROLL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

MAYOR LOUDEN SAID JANUARY IS SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION MONTH. MAYOR LOUDEN WANTED TO HONOR THE MEMBERS OF THE CARROLL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, GWEN CHAPMAN, COREY GROSECLOSE, CAROLYN JONES, ROB SPENNEBERG, AND D'ANNE SMITH, BY PRESENTING THEM WITH A PROCLAMATION.

COUNCILMAN CRAIG PRESENTED A PLAQUE OF APPRECIATION TO MAYOR LOUDEN FOR HIS YEARS SERVING AS CITYCOUNCIL MEMBER.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: REGULAR MEETING: 12/13/2021

THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN CRAIG AND SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN FRANKLIN AND DULY CARRIED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF 12/13/2021.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES: SPECIAL MEETING: 12/30/2021

THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN DICKOW AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN HILL AND DULY CARRIED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING OF 12/30/2021.

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APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT

THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILWOMAN FRANKLIN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN CRAIG AND DULY CARRIED TO APPROVE THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

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APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAID/PAYABLE 12/15/2021 - 01/11/2022

THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN BOOTH AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN HILL AND DULY CARRIED TO APPROVE THE ACCOUNTS PAID/PAYABLE 12/15/2021 THROUGH 01/11/2022.

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2nd READING: ORDINANCE #2021-20: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SEWER RATES FOR CUSTOMERS OF CARROLLTON UTILITIES

ATTORNEY FOR THE CITY, JAKE THOMPSON, READ THE ORDINANCE.

THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN DICKOW AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN CRAIG AND DULY CARRIED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE #2021-20: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SEWER RATES FOR CUSTOMERS OF CARROLLTON UTILITIES.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

TAP GRANT

MAYOR LOUDEN SAID THE CITY IS STILL WAITING ON THE TAP GRANT TO BE APPROVED FOR THE SIDEWALK PROJECT ALONG CLAY STREET BETWEEN 7th AND 11th STREET. THE SIDEWALK PROJECT WILL BEGIN ONCE THE GRANT IS APPROVED.

VETERAN'S MEMORIAL

COUNCILMAN HILL ASKED FOR AN UPDATE ON THE TANK FOR THE VETERAN'S MEMORIAL.

MAYOR LOUDEN SAID IT MAY TAKE 6 MONTHS TO 2 YEARS TO GET THE TANK. THE CITY IS WAITING ON A PHONE CALL TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO GET THE TANK.

NEW BUSINESS

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARD AND COMMISSIONS

MAYOR LOUDEN SAID SINCE BILL OSBORNE IS NO LONGER ELIGIBLE TO BE ON THE P.E.A.K. BOARD HE RECOMMENDS COUNCIL SHOULD APPOINTED HIMSELF TO COMPLETE BILL OSBORNE'S TERM ENDING 03/31/23.

THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN CRAIG AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BOOTH AND DULY CARRIED TO APPOINT MAYOR LOUDEN TO P.E.A.K. TO COMPLETE BILL OSBORNE'S TERM ENDING 03/31/2023.

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DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

A. PUBLIC WORKS – RON KNIGHT, PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISOR SAID THE NEW BATHROOMS AT POINT PARK PASSED THE PLUMBING INSPECTION TODAY. THE NEW PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT HAS BEEN DELIVERED. PUBLIC WORKS WILL START TAKING DOWN THE OLD PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT THIS WEEK AND START TEARING DOWN THE HOUSE THE CITY BOUGHT AT 206 MAIN STREET.

B. UTILITIES – TERRY ROACH, UTILITIES SUPERVISOR, SAID THE CONTRACTOR WILL BE WRAPPING UP THE WEST SECTION OF THE 20/20 GAS PROJECT IN FRONT OF DOW CHEMICALS IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS. THE BLUE LICK REGULATOR

STATION HAS BEEN INSTALLED AND SHOULD BE OPERATIONAL BY THE END OF JANUARY. CARROLLTON UTILITIES WILL BEGIN INSTALLING A FORCEMAIN SANITARY SEWER ALONG LOCK ROAD THIS MONTH. THE SEWER WILL EXTEND APPROXIMATELY 4000 LF FROM THE GENERAL BUTLER ENTRANCE TOWARDS THE ROWLETT PROPERTY.

C. TOURISM – MISTY WHEELER, TOURISM DIRECTOR, SAID THE LOUISVILLE BOAT & RV SHOW IS JANUARY 26th -30th; AND THE INDIANAPOLIS BOAT & RV SHOW IS FEBRUARY 18th-27th. TOURISM HAS BEEN WORKING ON THE CIVIL WAR EVENT AND HOPES THE SCHOOLS CAN ATTENDED THIS YEAR. TOURISM WILL BE LAUNCHING THEIR NEW WEBSITE SOON.

D. POLICE DEPARTMENT – MIKE WILLHOITE, POLICE CHIEF, ASKED IF ANYONE HAD ANY QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE MONTHLY PACKET. THE SHOP WITH A COP PROGRAM WAS ABLE TO SHOP FOR 33 CHILDREN FOR CHRISTMAS LAST YEAR. DARRELL ROWLETT HAS BEEN OFFERED THE DISPATCH POSITION AND WILL START ON JANUARY 31st. JACOB STEWART HAS BEEN OFFERED THE POLICE OFFICER POSITION AND WILL ATTEND THE ACADEMY IN APRIL.

E. FIRE DEPARTMENT – MIKE TERRELL, FIRE CHIEF, ASKED IF ANYONE HAD ANY QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE MONTHLY PACKET. THE FIRE DEPARTMENT LAST YEAR HAD 115 RUNS AND MOST OF THEM WERE FOR REPORTED GAS LEAKS. PMC ORGANOMETALLIX INC, DOW CHEMICAL, AND CABOT MAKE UP THE CAP COMMUNITY ADVISORY PANEL. EVERY YEAR THE PANEL GIVES MONEY FOR THE EMERGENCY SERVICES. THIS YEAR PMC ORGANOMETALLIX INC PURCHASE THE CARROLLTON FIRE DEPARTMENT A HONEYWELL MULTIREA LITE TO MEASURE O2, CO, LEL, H2S & VOC'S DOWN TO PARTS PER BILLION. THIS NEW DEVICE WAS \$5,000.

F. CODE ENFORCEMENT – ROBERT HOFMANN SAID PLANNING AND ZONING WILL HAVE SPECIAL MEETING ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2022 AT 7:00 P.M. TO DISCUSS THE CITY'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN. BOARD MEMBER, LINDA DAVIS, WILL BE ATTENDING A PLANNING AND ZONING TRAINING ON WEDNESDAY. MR. HOFMANN HAS PASSED THE TESTS FOR A 1 AND 2 FAMILY BUILDING INSPECTOR CERTIFICATION. HE HAS ONE TEST LEFT TO TAKE TO INSPECT COMMERCIAL PROPERTY. ANOTHER NEW HOUSE IS BEING BUILT ON GILLOCK AVE. THE PROPERTY BOUGHT BY JIMMY RILEY AT 5th STREET AND POLK IS ALMOST RENOVATED AND WILL BE SOLD AS A SINGLE FAMILY HOME.

G. CLERK –TREASURER – NOTHING TO REPORT.

H. MAIN STREET – SAM BURGESS GAVE SOME HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE 2021 MAIN STREET REINVESTMENT STATISTICS. THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF REINVESTMENTS FOR 2021 WAS \$745,699. DURING THE HOLIDAY LAST MONTH THE SHOPS DOWNTOWN WERE BUSY. ECONOMIC VITALITY COMMITTEE DENIED A RENT SUPPORT APPLICATION BECAUSE IT DID NOT MEET THE CRITERIA OF THE CITY. MR. BURGESS SUGGESTED REACHING OUT TO KLC TO HELP WITH THE A VACANT BUILDING ORDINANCE.

I. ATTORNEY - JAKE THOMPSON HAD NOTHING TO REPORT.

MAYOR'S REPORTS

MAYOR LOUDEN SAID HE ATTENDED HIS FIRST HOUSING AUTHORITY MEETING TODAY.

MAYOR LOUDEN ASKED COUNCIL TO START WORKING ON A PAVING LIST.

JANUARY 24, 2022 IS THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING.

COUNCILWOMAN FRANKLIN: SAID CHAMPIONS IS THE FOURTH THURSDAY OF THE MONTH FROM 11:30 A.M UNTIL 12:30 P.M. WITH LUNCH PROVIDED AT THE CARROLL COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY.

COUNCILMAN BOOTH: SAID THANK YOU FOR THE APPOINTMENT TO CITY COUNCIL AND IS LOOKING FORWARD TO WORKING WITH EVERYONE.

MAYOR LOUDEN: WANTED TO THANK EVERYBODY FOR ATTENDING THE COUNCIL MEETING TONIGHT AND ARE WELCOME TO COME BACK.

ADJOURNMENT

THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN BOOTH AND SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN FRANKLIN AND DULY CARRIED TO STAND IN ADJOURNMENT AT THE HOUR OF 8:08 P.M.

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ATTEST:

**DWIGHT LOUDEN,
MAYOR**

**MELINDA WRIGHT-MOORE,
CLERK-TREASURER**