

MINUTES FOR 03/18/03
Board of Aldermen
Town of Talty

I. Call to Order and Announce a Quorum

Mayor Weaver called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. All Board members were present.

II. Public Hearing regarding annexation of property described in the petition received from Maher Properties One.

Discussion: None

Motion: To open the hearing.

Made by: JoAnn McKethan **Second:** Ginny Carter

Vote: All in favor. Motion passes.

Discussion: Mayor Weaver showed everyone the property on a map for which the owners have petitioned the Town of Talty to be annexed. No one signed up to speak at the public hearing.

Motion: To close the public hearing.

Made by: JoAnn McKethan **Second:** Jeremy Benton

Vote: All in favor. Motion passes.

III. Public forum regarding ¼% sales tax proposition for May 3, 2003 Election.

Motion: To open the public forum.

Made by: Beth Heathington **Second:** Ginny Carter

Vote: All in favor. Motion passes.

Discussion: Mayor Weaver discussed the proposition and sales tax in general. Questions were received from citizens and answered.

Motion: To close the hearing.

Made by: Beth Heathington **Second:** JoAnn McKethan

Vote: All in favor. Motion passes.

IV. Citizen Participation – All citizens wishing to address the Board of Aldermen must sign in at the beginning of the meeting.

The following citizens signed up to address the Board:

- Carolyn Werning gave each board member and the Mayor a copy of a petition signed by property owners along CR 216 to express their dissatisfaction with the condition of their road.

V. Action Items:

a. Discussion and consideration of February 11, 2003 and February 27, 2003 Meeting Minutes;

Discussion: None

Motion: To approve the February 11, 2003 and February 27, 2003 meeting minutes.

Made by: Jeremy Benton **Second:** Ginny Carter

Vote: All in favor. Motion passes.

- b. Discussion and consideration of the February, 2003 Financial Report;**
Discussion: Mayor Weaver reviewed key items on the report.
Motion: To approve the February, 2003 Financial Report.
Made by: JoAnn McKethan **Second:** Brad Davis
Vote: All in favor. Motion passes.
- c. Discussion and consideration of compensation for Election Judge, Alternate Election Judge and Election Clerk;**
Discussion: Last year the election judge received \$8.00 per hour, and the alternate election judge and election clerk received \$7.00 per hour.
Motion: To pay the Election Judge \$8.00 per hour and the Alternate Election Judge and Election Clerk \$7.00 per hour.
Made by: Ginny Carter **Second:** Beth Heathington
Vote: All in favor. Motion passes.
- d. Discussion and consideration of funding for a thoroughfare plan.**
Discussion: Jeremy Benton and Brad Davis attended a meeting with the engineer of the thoroughfare plan and reported that estimated expenses are expected to be less than \$1,000 for mapping the plan. Mayor would follow up with a letter to the engineer from the Town of Talty as to the budgeted amount we can spend.
Motion: To approve expenditures up to \$750 for the Town's Thoroughfare Plan.
Made by: Brad Davis **Second:** JoAnn McKethan
Vote: All in favor. Motion passes.
- e. Discussion and consideration of line item adjustments to the Budget:**
Discussion: Amendments are needed to pay mapping expenses for the thoroughfare plan and annexation activity.
Motion: To approve Ordinance No. 2003-40 providing for line item adjustments in the 2002 - 2003 Budget.
Made by: Jeremy Benton **Second:** Brad Davis
Vote: All in favor. Motion passes.
- f. Discussion and consideration of a franchise agreement with Oncor Gas.**
Discussion: Mayor Weaver reviewed the agreement with the Board. The Board requested a change to the language regarding restoring of right of way to read "equal or better".
Motion: To table until more information is received.
Made by: Brad Davis **Second:** Beth Heathington
Vote: All in favor. Motion passes.
- g. Discussion and consideration of a franchise agreement with friendly cable. (Classic Cable)**
Discussion: Mayor Weaver reviewed the agreement with the Board. In addition to the ROW change as noted in item f. above, the Board had questions regarding the Board's ability to regulate cable rates.
Motion: To table until more information is received.
Made by: Ginny Carter **Second:** Beth Heathington
Vote: All in favor. Motion passes.

VI. Discussion Items.

a. Update on Exxon Septic Issue;

The lawsuit has been filed and papers are in the process of being served to Mr. Tatari.

b. Update on town expansion efforts;

Mr. A.J. (Jay) Layden has agreed to petition the Town for annexation of his property along FM 1641 and down CR 213 adjacent to St. Martins Catholic Church.

c. Update on other strategic planning efforts;

Mayor Weaver reported that the bid received from UTA to prepare comprehensive and economic development planning ranged from \$5,000 to \$40,000.

d. Aldermen Updates.

Ginny Carter updated the Board concerning a letter she is preparing to TX DOT to obtain Trailblazer Signs to redirect trucks along FM 1641.

VII. Adjourn.

Motion: To adjourn.

Made by: JoAnn McKethan **Second:** Beth Heathington

Vote: All in favor. Motion passes. The meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Approved on April 8, 2003

Allison Weaver, Mayor