

**TOWN OF TALTY  
MINUTES OF MAY 17, 2011**

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The Town of Talty held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 17, 2011, at the Trinity Family Church in Talty, Texas.

- I. Mayor Pro Tem Larry Farthing called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., and announced a quorum. Aldermen present were: Mildred Brice, Frank Garrison, and Kevin Williams. Mayor Carla Milligan and John Jackson were absent. Also present were Connie Goodwin, Town Administrator, and Sherry Bagby, Town Secretary.
- II. Kevin Williams said the invocation. Everyone recited the pledge of allegiance.
- III. There were four citizens wishing to address the Board.
- There were eight citizens in attendance.
1. Angelique Briscoe addressed the Board and stated that the speed limit needs to be reduced to 25 mph. in her neighborhood (which is only 2 streets – George Trail and Douglas Circle) and she would like to see the reduced speed enforced with police presence. She also stated that the TexDot subcontractors were using their road while they are repairing FM1641 and tearing it up.
  2. Courtney & Michael Price addressed the Board and stated that they would also like to see the speed limit reduced to 25 mph. and signs posted on their street and in their neighborhood. She had pictures of their dog which had been hit by a car. They requested signs be posted for “children at play” as well.
  3. Irma Moore addressed the Board and agreed with the previous citizens who requested the speed limit be reduced to 25 mph. in her neighborhood and speed limit signs posted.
- IV. **Action Items:**  
**Taken Out of Order:**
3. The Board discussed reducing the speed limit to 25 mph. on George Trail and Douglas Circle at several citizens’ request, as well as installing speed limit and “children at Play” signs.  
A Motion was made by Frank Garrison to reduce the speed limit to 25 mph. on George Trail and Douglas Circle immediately, and post signs reflecting the new speed limit, as well as signs stating “children at play.”  
Seconded: Millie Brice  
Vote: 4-0; Motion carried.

1. The Board reviewed the Minutes of April 19, 2011.  
A Motion was made by Kevin Williams to approve the April 19, 2011 Minutes as submitted.  
Seconded: Frank Garrison  
Vote: 3-1; Motion carried. Millie Brice abstained due to her absence at the April 19, 2011 meeting.

2. The Board reviewed and discussed the April 2011 Financial Report prepared by Murrey & Co.  
• Millie Brice requested that the Board revisit the budget in July.  
• Payments to the city of Forney for fire protection were discussed.  
• Chief Hoskins reimbursed Talty for April payroll, which he was inadvertently paid while off work for medical reasons.  
• Franchise fees and sales tax have both increased this month.

A Motion was made by Millie Brice to approve the April 2011 Financial Report as submitted.

Seconded: Frank Garrison  
Vote: 4-0; Motion carried.

4. The Board discussed Mr. Goodwin's request to reduce his hours from 20 to 12 hours a week beginning June 1, 2011, which will generally result in Tuesday and Thursday as his days off, and it will reduce his income accordingly. In situations where the Town office is closed on a Monday, Wednesday or Friday due to a holiday, Mr. Goodwin will take the holiday as his day off and will work another day that week as part of his work schedule for that week. The Board also discussed increasing Police Chief Michael Hoskin's hours from 20 to 30 hours per week, and his pay will increase accordingly. He remains on salary.

A Motion was made by Frank Garrison to reduce the town administrator's hours from twenty (20) to twelve (12) hours per week, requiring him to work Monday, Wednesday and Friday, beginning June 1, 2011. This motion also increases the Police Chief's hours from twenty (20) to thirty (30) hours per week at his discretion, being effective June 1, 2011.

Seconded: Millie Brice  
Vote: 4-0; Motion carried.

V. **Discussion Items:**

1. A written report was distributed to the Board by the Town Administrator, Connie Goodwin.

- Mr. Goodwin met with a representative of Trinity Valley Electric Coop. to show the transmission line for the substation project. A map indicating the route was distributed to the Board.
- Due to the 2010 U.S. Census, the population in Precinct 2 needs to be reduced. There is a possibility Precinct 1 and 2 will be split, and Talty will possibly move to Precinct 1. That has yet to be determined.

2. A written report was distributed to the Board by the Code Enforcement Officer, Gilbert Fernandez.

Chief Hoskins was not in attendance because of medical reasons, and has not worked this month. Therefore, a monthly report was not submitted. However, reserve officers are working and logging time.

After no further business, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

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Mayor Pro Tem Larry Farthing

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Town Secretary: Sherry Bagby