

**CITY OF COPPERAS COVE
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 2, 2004 - 7:00 P.M.**

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Bradi Diaz called the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Copperas Cove Texas to order at 7:02 p.m.

B. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Owsley gave the Invocation, and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. ROLL CALL

ALSO PRESENT

Ray Don Clayton
John Gallen
Charlotte Heinze
Fred Harris
Bud Owsley
Annabelle Smith (excused absence)

Steven J. Alexander, City Manager
Pamela J. Russell, City Secretary
James R. Thompson, City Attorney

D. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council Member Owsley

- Congratulations to Mr. Bob Reeves and Mr. James Stockman for a very professional campaign they both ran for the Special Election and thank you to both Mr. Reeves and Mr. Stockman for competing in a good race. I would like to welcome Council Member Reeves to the City Council.
- On behalf of the City I offer condolences to the Dewald family for the loss of their Mother and Grandmother. Just a few hours ago, Mayor Diaz buried her Grandma. Mayor Diaz is here tonight, and I would just like to note shows her dedication to this City and her place of duty.

Council Member Harris

- In recognition of Honoring Texas Public Schools month, I would like to thank the teachers and administrators of CCISD for all they do, many of them spend their own money on supplies for their students for use in the classroom.

Council Member Heinze

- Echoed the sentiments of Council Member Owsley sending condolences to the Dewald family.
- This coming weekend I will be traveling to Dallas for the Youth Advisory Commission Annual Youth Summit, and I shall give a report when I get back.

Council Member Gallen

- I would like to publicly thank and give recognition to David Huffner, who is also my mail carrier. Mr. Huffner is a caring citizen and a local hero. There was an

incident over the weekend that Mr. Huffner took action on, was persistent and showed how much he is involved with the community.

Mayor Pro Tem Diaz

- The City of Copperas Cove will be holding a General Election on Saturday, May 15, 2004 to elect Council Member Positions: Three, Four, and Five. Candidate packets are now available from the City Secretary's office at City Hall. Candidates may still file for one of the three positions 8 a.m. thru 5 p.m. thru March 15, 2004. If you require additional information on the City Election, please contact Pamela Russell, City Secretary at 547-4221.

E. PUBLIC RECOGNITION

1. Oath of Office. The Oath of Office will be administered to Bradi D. Diaz, for the City of Copperas Cove, Position Mayor. ***Pamela J. Russell, City Secretary***

Mayor Pro Tem Diaz read the Oath of Office for the City of Copperas Cove, Position, Mayor. Pamela Russell, City Secretary presented Mayor Diaz with a certificate of election.

2. Oath of Office. The Oath of Office will be administered to Robert L. Reeves for the City of Copperas Cove City Council, Position One. ***Pamela J. Russell, City Secretary***

Mr. Robert L. Reeves read the Oath of Office for the City of Copperas Cove, City Council Position One. Pamela Russell, City Secretary presented Council Member Reeves with a certificate of election.

- F. **CITIZENS' FORUM** citizens are allowed to speak on any matter other than personnel matters, matters under litigation, or matters on the regular agenda, for a length of time not to exceed five minutes per person. Thirty minutes total has been allotted for this section.

Dr. Rose Cameron - 701 Muler Street. Dr. Cameron stated she was speaking on behalf of CCISD. CCISD will be celebrating "Public Schools Week" March 8-12. CCISD is holding an open house, and inviting the City Council and the community to a luncheon to be held on March 10, 2004 from 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. CCISD would like to give back to the City Council and the Community for the continued support.

David Hoffner - 2012 Babb Street. Mr. Hoffner stated he would like to commend Council Member, John Gallen, Deputy Police Chief, Mike Heintzelman, the Police Department and the EMS Department for reacting in a responsive and quick manner to an unfortunate incident when Mrs. Harrison had passed away.

Beverly Smith – Downtown Association President – Ms. Smith stated the Downtown Association had been working very hard on the forthcoming 125th Birthday celebration which would be taking place on March 27, 2004. Ms. Smith presented a 125th Birthday commemorative pin to Mayor Diaz and previous Copperas Cove Mayors: Rodney Nauert, Skip Darossett, Ed Rhode, Jim French, George Leonhard and Jim Schmitz (his

wife Gloria was accepting on his behalf). Ms. Smith stated the celebration would be a fun filled day, and thanked the Mayor, City Council and past Mayors for their service to the City.

G. CONSENT ITEMS

1. Consideration and action on approval of minutes from February 17, 2004 Regular City Council Meeting. ***Pamela J. Russell, City Secretary***

2. Consideration and action on Resolution No. 2004-05 authorizing and supporting the submission of a grant application to the Texas Commission on Fire Protection Emergency Program, in the amount of \$23,540, authorizing the Training Officer to apply for and the Grants Administrator/Budget Analyst to act on behalf of the City in all other matters related to the application. ***Dennis Haas, Fire Chief***

The Resolution caption reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-05

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COPPERAS COVE, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE FIRE TRAINING OFFICER TO APPLY FOR A GRANT FROM THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON FIRE PROTECTION, EMERGENCY GRANT PROGRAM, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE GRANTS ADMINISTRATOR/ BUDGET ANALYST TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF COPPERAS COVE IN ALL OTHER MATTERS RELATED TO THE APPLICATION; AND PLEDGING THAT THE CITY OF COPPERAS COVE WILL COMPLY WITH THE GRANT REQUIREMENTS OF THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON FIRE PROTECTION.

3. Consideration and action on Resolution No. 2004-06, authorizing the City Manager to apply for, accept, reject, alter or terminate a grant from the US Department of Justice for a Bulletproof Vest Grant in the amount of \$1,665.95. ***Jeri Denniston, Grants Administrator/Budget Analyst***

The Resolution caption reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-06

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COPPERAS COVE, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE – BULLETPROOF VEST PROGRAM; AUTHORIZING THE GRANTS ADMINISTRATOR/ BUDGET ANALYST TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF COPPERAS COVE IN ALL MATTERS RELATED TO THE APPLICATION; AND PLEDGING THAT THE CITY OF COPPERAS COVE WILL COMPLY WITH THE GRANT REQUIREMENTS OF THE BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE.

4. Consideration and action on approval of permitting a Circus to operate within the City of Copperas Cove on April 2, 2004. ***Pamela J. Russell, TRMC, City Secretary***

Council Member Gallen made a motion to approve consent items 1, 2, 3, and 4. Council Member Clayton seconded the motion, and with a unanimous vote, motion carried.

H. PUBLIC HEARINGS/ACTION - None

I. ACTION ITEMS

1. Consideration and action on Ordinance No. 2004-10 concerning the voluntary annexation of 6.727 acres in the Tonkawa Village Addition. **David Lilley, City Planner/CBO**

Mayor Diaz announced she had filed the necessary affidavit with the City Secretary.

Council Member Clayton made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2004-10. Council Member Gallen seconded the motion, and with a unanimous vote, motion carried.

The Ordinance caption reads as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 2004-10

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COPPERAS COVE, TEXAS, ANNEXING THE HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED TERRITORY TO THE CITY OF COPPERAS COVE, TEXAS, AND EXTENDING THE BOUNDARY OF SAID CITY SO AS TO INCLUDE THE HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED PROPERTY KNOWN AS A PART OF THE TONKAWA VILLAGE ADDITION DESCRIBED IN THE ATTACHED FIELD NOTES WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS AND GRANTING TO SAID TERRITORY AND TO ALL FUTURE INHABITANTS OF SAID PROPERTY ALL OF THE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES OF OTHER CITIZENS AND BINDING SAID FUTURE INHABITANTS BY ALL OF THE ACTS AND ORDINANCES OF SAID CITY; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

2. Consideration and action on appointment of one Commissioner to the Housing Authority of the City of Copperas Cove. **Pamela J. Russell, TRMC, City Secretary**

Council Member Owsley made a motion to appoint Patricia Thomas to the Housing Authority Board to serve the unexpired term of March 3, 2004 thru September 30, 2005. Council Member Clayton seconded the motion, and with a unanimous vote, motion carried.

3. Consideration and action on appointment of one (1) Commissioner to the Keep Copperas Cove Beautiful Commission. **Amy Anderson, Recycling Coordinator**

Council Member Heinze made a motion to appoint Tracy Lehmkuhler to the Keep Copperas Cove Beautiful Commission. Council Member Gallen seconded the motion, and with a unanimous vote, motion carried.

4. Consideration and action on approval of permitting a Circus to operate within the City of Copperas Cove on April 2, 2004. **Pamela J. Russell, TRMC, City Secretary**

This item was inadvertently included with the consent items, and read as agenda item G-4. This item was approved unanimously by the City Council.

J. STAFF REPORTS

1. Financial Report for the months ended November 30, 2003 and December 31, 2003. **Robert Camareno, Assistant City Manager/Director of Finance**

Robert Camareno, Assistant City Manager/Director of Finance gave the financial report for the months ended November 30, 2003 and December 31, 2003.

K. REPORTS OF ADVISORY COMMITTEES AND BOARDS – None.

L. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

M. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Pursuant to §551.072 of the Open Meetings Act. *Tex. Gov't Code*, Council will meet in Executive Session to deliberate on the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.

Mayor Diaz adjourned the regular meeting at 7:48 p.m.

N. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION FOR POSSIBLE ACTION RESULTING FROM ANY ITEMS POSTED AND LEGALLY DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Diaz re-opened the regular meeting at 8:32 p.m., and announced that Executive Session item M-1 was for information purposes only, and no action would be taken.

O. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Diaz stated the meeting was adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Bradi D. Diaz, Mayor

ATTEST:

Pamela J. Russell, TRMC, City Secretary