

**CITY OF COPPERAS COVE  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 1, 2005 - 7:00 P.M.**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor, Bradi D. Diaz called the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Copperas Cove Texas to order at 7:08 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**

Bob Reeves  
Ray Don Clayton  
John Gallen  
James Stockman  
R. Ray Gatewood  
Bud Owsley  
Annabelle Smith

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

**D. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Council Member Smith

- Thank you to everyone that was driving during the recent bicycle events, which covered a distance of 85 miles. Drivers were patient, courteous and friendly. The City received a lot of positive feedback from the event.
- The Copperas Cove Birthday party will be a fun night, practice your twist and dig out the poodle skirts! The event takes place on March 26<sup>th</sup> in the downtown area.

Council Member Gallen

- Thanked everyone in the Polar Bear Club for participating in the Annual Polar Bear Jump at the City Pool; this year there were 41 participants. A big thank you to Ken Wilson, Director of Community Services, and his staff for organizing this great event!

Mayor Diaz

- The City of Copperas Cove will be holding a General Election on Saturday, May 7, 2005 to elect Council Member Positions: Six and Seven. Candidate packets are now available from the City Secretary's office at City Hall. Candidates may file for one of the two positions 8 a.m. thru 5 p.m. February 7, 2005 thru March 7, 2005. If you require additional information on the City Election, please contact Pamela Russell, City Secretary at 547-4221.

**E. PUBLIC RECOGNITION – None.**

- 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.

Diane Steel – 905 North 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Copperas Cove – Complained about the high curb in the downtown area, and said it was very difficult for people in wheelchairs get up the steep slope.

G. **CONSENT ITEMS**

1. Consideration and action on approval of minutes from the January 18, 2005, Regular City Council Meeting. **Pamela J. Russell, City Secretary**

2. Consideration and action on Resolution No. 2005-01 calling for a General Election to elect Council Member Positions 6, & 7; to be held on May 7, 2005, and a Runoff Election on June 18, 2005 (if necessary); and outlining the election procedures, and the "Order of Election". **Pamela J. Russell, City Secretary**

3. Consideration and action on Resolution No. 2005-02 authorizing the City Manager to execute documents in support of an application to the Texas Emergency Shelter Grants Programs by the Refuge Corporation, to provide emergency services within the City of Copperas Cove. **Jeri Denniston, Grants Administrator/Budget Analyst**

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

H. **PUBLIC HEARINGS/ACTION** – None.

I. **ACTION ITEMS**

1. Consideration and action on Resolution No. 2005-03 authorizing the suspension of the effective date until May 15, 2005 for the Gas Reliability Infrastructure Program adjustments proposed by Atmos Energy Corporation's Mid-Tex Division; and making other findings and provisions relation to the subject; and declaring an effective date. **James R. Thompson, City Attorney**

James Thompson, City Attorney, gave an overview of Resolution No. 2005-03. Council Member Clayton made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2005-03. Council Member Gallen seconded the motion, and with a unanimous vote, motion carried.

2. Consideration and action on Resolution No. 2005-04 authorizing a review of the reasonableness and prudence of gas purchases and expenditures of TXU Gas Company, now known as Atmos Energy Corporation between November 1, 2000 and October 31, 2003; authorizing the intervention in GUD Docket No. 9530 at the Railroad Commission and related proceedings; making other findings

and provisions related to the subject; and declaring an effective date. **James R. Thompson, City Attorney**

James Thompson, City Attorney, gave an overview of Resolution No. 2005-04. Council Member Gallen made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2005-04. Council Member Stockman seconded the motion, and with a unanimous vote, motion carried.

3. Consideration and action on authorizing the City Manager to execute a change order to J & G McLean Construction Co. to contract for the EDA Grant Project. **Paul M. Boyer, P.E., City Engineer**

Paul Boyer, City Engineer, gave an overview of agenda item I-3. Council Member Owsley made a motion to approve agenda item I-3. Council Member Gatewood seconded the motion, and with a unanimous vote, motion carried.

#### **J. STAFF REPORTS**

1. Financial Report for the month ended October 31, 2004. **Robert Camareno, Assistant City Manager/Director of Finance**

Robert Camareno, Assistant City Manager/Director of Finance, gave the financial report for the month ended October 31, 2004.

2. EDC Financial Report for the month ended November 30, 2004. **Carol Mills, Executive Director, EDC.**

Carol Mills, Executive Director, EDC gave the financial report for the month ended November 30, 2004.

3. EDC Financial Report for the month ended December 31, 2004. **Carol Mills, Executive Director, EDC.**

Carol Mills, Executive Director, EDC gave the financial report for the month ended December 31, 2004.

4. EDC Activity Report Ending Quarter, December 31, 2004. **Carol Mills, Executive Director, EDC.**

Carol Mills, Executive Director, EDC gave the activity report for the ending quarter December 31, 2004.

#### **K. REPORTS OF ADVISORY COMMITTEES AND BOARDS – None.**

#### **L. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS**

Council Member Gatewood – Requested a workshop to discuss orientations for newly elected Council Members.

#### **M. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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

**O. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mayor Diaz stated the meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

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Bradi D. Diaz, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Pamela J. Russell, TRMC, CMC, City Secretary