

**CITY OF COPPERAS COVE
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 9, 2006 - 7:00 P.M.**

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor O'Dwyer called the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Copperas Cove Texas to order at 7:04 pm.

B. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

C. ROLL CALL

ALSO PRESENT

Bob Reeves (excused absence)
Larry D. Sheppard
John Gallen
James Stockman
R. Ray Gatewood
Fred Harris
Frank D. Somera Jr.

Steven J. Alexander, City Manager
Lisa Wilson, Deputy City Secretary
James R. Thompson, City Attorney

D. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Council Member Ray Gatewood mentioned the citywide Thanksgiving Service which will be held at Eastside Baptist Church on November 21st. He stated that all gifts and offerings will be designated to the Cove House that evening. Please go and share in this event.

2. Council Member John Gallen mentioned that the Copperas Cove Bulldawgs were playing Friday evening for the district championship game here at home. Go out and support the team.

3. Mayor O'Dwyer announced that the Veteran's Day Parade will be this Saturday, November 11th, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Please no throwing of candy from the floats. This will assure protection of the children who go to watch the parade.

E. PUBLIC RECOGNITION

1. Proclamation – "One Nation Under God Month", November 2006. ***Roger P. O'Dwyer, Mayor***

Mayor O'Dwyer read the proclamation and presented it to members of the Morning and Noon Exchange Clubs – Mr. Blunt, Ms. Whitis, Kelly Dix and Buddy Southards. Mr. Blunt thanked the Mayor and Council for the proclamation. He stated that it was a privilege to be able to say "One Nation Under God" in this country. He also mentioned their meetings on Fridays at Cove Rice and invited everyone out to the Feast of Sharing,

Thursday, November 16th at 5:30 p.m. at the Copperas Cove Civic Center. Ms. Whitis also thanked the Mayor and Council for the proclamation.

2. Presentation – Blue Santa 2006. **Kelly Dix, Chair, Blue Santa Committee**

Kelly Dix, Chair of the Blue Santa Committee, addressed the mayor and council regarding Blue Santa and how the program works. She stated that this is the 6th year that the program will be providing for kids in need within our community. The program runs off donations and begins every year with a zero fund balance. This evening she was happy to introduce Earl Anthony of the Mid Tex Corvette Club and his donation of \$1000 to Blue Santa. This is the 3rd year for the club's donation. Kelly Dix also mentioned the Toy Bowl at Bulldawg Stadium and the Christmas Parade which both will be held at 6:00 pm on December 2nd. At these two events donations of toys will be accepted. Also, a big thank you to Diane Connell for the use of the old Wal-Mart building where all the toys are housed for Blue Santa. All applicants can apply at the Salvation Army here in Copperas Cove. Sharon Harnish, Manager of the Salvation Army can assist individuals with their applications or they may contact Kelly here at City Hall if they have further questions.

- E. 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.

Chuck Downard – 208 Ridge Street, Copperas Cove. Stated that the recent water rate increases were across the board and were fair for all. He asked the City to freeze city taxes for seniors, as the county just recently passed. Also, the city needs to review the Charter and look at making changes to it, especially with the process and procedures to file a petition. Mr. Downard thanked the council for listening to him.

G. CONSENT ITEMS

1. Consideration and action on approval of minutes from October 3, 2006.
Jane Lees, City Secretary

2. Consideration and action on approval of minutes from October 19, 2006.
Jane Lees, City Secretary

3. Consideration and action on authorizing the City Manager to enter into an Inter-local Agreement with the Copperas Cove Independent School District to share facilities for recreational purposes. **Ken Wilson, Director of Community Services**

4. Consideration and action on awarding Bid No. 2006-11-55; Bi-Annual Fuel Supply and Fuel Management & Automation System to Texas Fleet Fuel of Austin, Texas. **Christine M. Julius, Assistant Director of Finance**

5. Consideration and action on Resolution NO. 2006-42, authorizing the submission of an application to the Bureau of Justice Assistance through the

Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG), authorizing persons to act on behalf of the City in all aspects of the grant. **Jeri Denniston, Grants Administrator/Budget Analyst**

Council Member John Gallen made a motion to approve consent items G-1, G-2, G-3, G-4 and G-5. Council Member Frank Somera seconded the motion, with a unanimous vote, motion carried.

The Resolution caption reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-42

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 THROUGH THE EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG), AUTHORIZING PERSONS TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY IN ALL ASPECTS OF THE GRANT.

H. PUBLIC HEARINGS/ACTION - NONE

I. ACTION ITEMS

1. Consideration and action on Resolution No. 2006-41, designating funds in the amount of four hundred thousand dollars for the Northeast Bypass Project. **Andrea M. Gardner, Asst. City Mgr./Director of Finance**

Andrea M. Gardner, Asst. City Mgr./Director Of Finance gave an overview of agenda item I-1.

Council Member Ray Gatewood made a motion to approve agenda item I-1. Council Member John Gallen seconded the motion, with a unanimous vote, motion carried.

The Resolution caption reads as follows:

RESOLUTION 2006-41

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COPPERAS COVE, TEXAS, DESIGNATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR THE NORTHEAST BYPASS PROJECT.

2. Consideration and action on authorizing the City Manager to execute a Site Lease Agreement between the City of Copperas Cove and Cingular Wireless. **Andrea M. Gardner, Asst. City Mgr./Director of Finance**

Andrea M. Gardner, Asst. City Mgr./Director of Finance gave an overview of agenda item I-2.

Council Member James Stockman made a motion to approve agenda item I-2. Council Member John Gallen seconded the motion, with a unanimous vote, motion carried.

3. Consideration and action on regarding a request from Central Texas Council of Governments to make 9-1-1 road name changes within an area of Coryell County and the City of Copperas Cove. **John C. Adel, AICP, City Planner**

John C. Adel, AICP, City Planner gave an overview of agenda item I-3.

Council Member Larry D. Sheppard stated that the City needs to inform the citizens in the proposed areas first about the possible 911 address changes. He was concerned with the families. Council Member Ray Gatewood stated he also had concerns and would like to hear from the residents in the proposed areas. Council Member John Gallen made a motion to table this item for further discussion once the families have been notified and the City has spoken with Central Texas Council of Governments (CTCOG). Council Member Frank Somera seconded the motion, with a unanimous vote, motioned carried.

4. Consideration and action on authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with F&S Partners to provide program and conceptual master planning for a new recreation center and the surrounding site at Ogletree Gap Park. **Ken Wilson, Director of Community Services**

Ken Wilson, Director of Community Services gave an overview of agenda item I-4.

Council Member John Gallen made a motion to approve agenda item I-4. Council Member Fred Harris seconded the motion, with a unanimous vote, motion carried.

5. Consideration and action on Ordinance No. 2006-38 amending Personnel Policy No. 120, Salary Program Administration. **Kelli Sames, Human Resources Director**

This item was pulled from the agenda.

J. STAFF REPORTS - None

K. REPORTS OF ADVISORY COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

1. Downtown Zoning District Committee. **Council Member John Gallen**

Council Member John Gallen gave an update on the Downtown Zoning District Committee. He stated that the committee just met this evening and they will be working on several issues on the downtown area. He asked that all members of the committee attend the meetings so that they can get to work.

L. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS –

Council Member James Stockman would like to see several issues pertaining to the seniors of our community addressed, such as tax freezes and senior programs.

Council Member Ray Gatewood would like to have a workshop on the process and procedures for having a petition accepted by the City Secretary.

Mayor O'Dwyer would like to have the City Charter reviewed and looked at.

M. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Pursuant to §551.087 of the Open Meetings Act. *Tex. Gov't Code*, Council will meet in Executive Session for deliberations regarding Economic Development Negotiations. (2) to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations.

2. Pursuant to §551.074 of the Open Meetings Act. *Tex. Gov't Code*, Council will meet in Executive Session to discuss the duties and responsibilities of the City Council Members.

Mayor O'Dwyer announced the City Council would adjourn from the regular meeting to enter into executive session at 8:12 p.m.

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

Mayor O'Dwyer announced the City Council had reconvened at 10:11p.m., and stated that executive session items M-1 and M-2 were for information purposes only and no action would be taken.

O. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor O'Dwyer stated the meeting adjourned at 10:12 p.m.

Roger P. O'Dwyer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lisa Wilson, Deputy City Secretary