

Minutes
Regular Session
Breckenridge City Commission

April 5, 2016 – 5:30 P.M.
Breckenridge City Offices Commission Chambers
105 North Rose Avenue
Breckenridge, Texas 76424

Those Present: Jimmy McKay, Mayor; Sherry Strickland, Mayor Pro-Tem; Tom Cyprian, Commissioner; R. Kent Thompson, Commissioner; Andy McCuiston, City Manager; Heather Robertson-Caraway, City Secretary; Stacy Harrison, Public Services Director; Larry Mahan, Police Chief; Calvin Chaney, Fire Chief; Tony Pilkington, Breckenridge American; Rev. Cal Hoffman of First United Methodist Church; Jerry Toland; Steve Leveridge; Jacky Walker; Paul Huntington

Those Absent: David Wimberley, Commissioner; Gabriel Rodriguez, Public Works Director

1. **Call to Order:** Mayor McKay, at 5:30pm a quorum was established
2. **Invocation Led By:** Rev. Cal Hoffman of First United Methodist Church
3. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Commissioner Thompson led the Pledge of Allegiance
4. **Consider approval of minutes of the March 1st, 2016 meeting**

Commissioner Cyprian made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, for approval of minutes of the March 1st, 2016 City Commission Meeting. When the motion was put to vote, it prevailed as follows: Ayes: McKay, Strickland, Thompson, Cyprian. Nays: None. Absent: Wimberley

5. **Citizens Presentations:** None

CONSENT AGENDA

ALL ITEMS LISTED BELOW ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE BY THE CITY COMMISSION AND WILL BE ENACTED WITH ONE MOTION, THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF ITEMS UNLESS A COMMISSION MEMBER OR CITIZEN SO REQUESTS, IN WHICH EVENT, THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE GENERAL ORDER OF BUSINESS AND CONSIDERED IN ITS NORMAL SEQUENCE.

6. **Request to approve Departmental Reports**
7. **Request to approve Aquatic Center Operations for 2016**
8. **Request to approve Resolution for the WCTMWD Member**
9. **Request to approve Resolution for appointment to the Board of Adjustments**
10. **Request to approve Resolution for appointments to the Electrical Board**

Commissioner Strickland made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, to approve the Consent Agenda. When the motion was put to vote, it prevailed as follows: Ayes: McKay, Strickland, Thompson, Cyprian. Nays: None. Absent: Wimberley

INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

11. Request to approve Certificate of Unopposed Candidates and Ordinance canceling the Election to be held on May 7, 2016 in accordance with Section 2.053(a) of the Texas Election Code. (Solicitud de Certificado de Aprobación de candidatos sin oposición y cancelación de la Ordenanza Electoral, que tendrá lugar el 7 de mayo de 2016, de conformidad con la Sección 2.053 (a) del Código Electoral de Tejas.)

City Secretary Robertson-Caraway explained the positions up were Mayor and Commissioner Places 1 and 2. We only had Jimmy McKay file for Mayor, Place 1 filing from Kent Thompson and Place 2 filing from Rob Durham. Therefore, we are able to cancel the General Election, yet we will have a special election for the reauthorization of ¼% sales tax for street maintenance.

Commissioner Thompson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Strickland, to approve Certificate of Unopposed Candidates and Ordinance canceling the Election to be held on May 7, 2016 in accordance with Section 2.053(a) of the Texas Election Code. (Solicitud de Certificado de Aprobación de candidatos sin oposición y cancelación de la Ordenanza Electoral, que tendrá lugar el 7 de mayo de 2016, de conformidad con la Sección 2.053 (a) del Código Electoral de Tejas.). When the motion was put to vote, it prevailed as follows: Ayes: McKay, Strickland, Thompson, Cyprian. Nays: None. Absent: Wimberley

12. Request to approve an Agreement with the Girls Softball Association.

City Manager McCuiston explained the Girls and Adults Softball teams have lost some of the practice area they were using. We have some properties acquired through dangerous structures that are in a flood plain, we are willing to let them use. They would like to enter into an agreement to use these properties as the practice fields.

Mayor McKay made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Cyprian, to approve an Agreement with the Girls Softball Association. When the motion was put to vote, it prevailed as follows: Ayes: McKay, Strickland, Thompson, Cyprian. Nays: None. Absent: Wimberley

13. Request to approve an Agreement for the Community Garden.

City Manager McCuiston stated in April of 2011 an agreement was signed for a Community Garden. However, it never got off the ground. First United Methodist Church would like to reinstate this program for a Community Garden. Some discussion ensued on what will be planted and that the vegetables will not be sold for profit.

Commissioner Cyprian made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Strickland, to approve an Agreement for the Community Garden. When the motion was put to vote, it prevailed as follows: Ayes: McKay, Strickland, Thompson, Cyprian. Nays: None. Absent: Wimberley

14. Request to discuss and possibly take action for a boot camp in the park.

Paul Huntington explained this program is for troubled youth and troubled homes. We prepare the child for the parent and prepare the parent for the child. It is a 30 week program, meet every Saturday from 8:30 to 11:30. We set goals and accomplish them. The program has 3 rules: 1st the child will obey their parents, 2nd they will keep their room clean and 3rd the child will maintain A's and B's in school. Parents will also receive a parent handbook and be required to attend parenting classes through the Open Door. This program will help parents and children to keep a household of honor. The program costs \$300 for the full 30 week program. The program is bible based and we have a substantial success rate. There was an incident 3 years ago that was under investigation for tasing a minor. The minor became aggressive and attacked the Drill Sergeant. Grand Jury dropped the charges. During the accusations parents and children supported our boot camp in the media and through the legal process. We started this program 6 years ago and have been having people call in from other states wanting to come to Texas and go through our program. We have had court ordered participants. Discussion ensued about the availability of the Park over the 30 week program, the program's counselors and the parents being able to afford the program.

City Attorney Rockefeller stated they need to have documents drawn up to indemnify the City. Paul Huntington replied the application does cover this aspect and we may require an additional form. City Attorney Rockefeller stated I would like to review the application form. Mayor McKay recommended Paul to contact the school district. I would love to see this work – there are a lot of kids that need guidance. Mayor McKay stated I would like to table this item until we have had the chance to review the application.

Commissioner Thompson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Cyprian, to table this item for further review. When the motion was put to vote, it prevailed as follows: Ayes: McKay, Strickland, Thompson, Cyprian. Nays: None. Absent: Wimberley

15. Request to approve Texas Gas Easement in Breckenridge Park.

City Manager McCuiston reviewed the aerial map included in the agenda, depicting the area of the easement. Mayor McKay stated he didn't want to lose any trees, so they need to dig deep enough to avoid tree roots.

Commissioner Thompson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Strickland, to approve Texas Gas Easement in Breckenridge Park. When the motion was put to vote, it prevailed as follows: Ayes: McKay, Strickland, Thompson, Cyprian. Nays: None. Absent: Wimberley

EXECUTIVE SESSION

16. The City Commission will enter into Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter 551.071, Consultation with Attorney, to discuss legal issues related to the purchase of certain real property located on South Roberts Ave. and Roberts Ave. (Hi Mount and Highland Subdivisions) and on East Williams St. and East Walker St. (East Breck Subdivision) for use in the development of a City ballpark and for other public purposes.

Time Out: 6:28 pm

Time In: 7:05 pm

17. The City Commission will return to Open Session for possible discussion and action regarding the purchase of the real property described in Agenda Item 16 for use in the development of a City ball park and for other public purposes.

Mayor McKay made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, to authorize Lois Rockefeller, City Attorney and Andy McCuistion, City Manager to negotiate the purchase of the properties for the purpose of the City Ballpark. When the motion was put to vote, it prevailed as follows: Ayes: McKay, Strickland, Thompson, Cyprian. Nays: None. Absent: Wimberley

18. City Manager Reports

- a. **Trade Days Report** – City Manager McCuistion reviewed the revenue reports and discussed the upcoming event in April.
- b. **City Wide Cleanup/Brush Chipping** – Fire Chief Chaney stated the County hasn't given any information and the City is not finished yet.

19. Items from the City Commission not requiring formal action: None

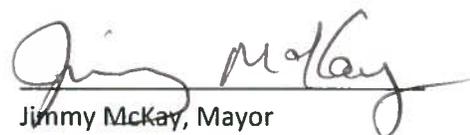
20. Adjourn

Commissioner Strickland made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Cyprian, to adjourn the meeting. When the motion was put to vote, it prevailed as follows: Ayes: McKay, Strickland, Thompson, Cyprian. Nays: None. Absent: Wimberley

Adjourned at 7:10 P.M.

ATTEST


Heather Robertson-Caraway, City Secretary


Jimmy McKay, Mayor

