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## **Council Meeting July 12, 2016**

### **Present**

Mayor Barry Whitley

Ed Guinn

Deborah Williams

Glenn Harris

Vicki Wainwright

Attorney David Mincey

(Councilman Amanzie Jenkins and Councilman Chas Gasset were absent)

### **Media Present**

Taylor County News

Flint Cable TV

**Invocation** – Mayor Barry Whitley

### **Old Business:**

#### **Minutes:**

Motion made by Councilman Glenn Harris, seconded by Council Woman Deborah Williams to approve the minutes of the June 14th, 2016 Council Meeting. Vote was unanimous.

### **New Business:**

#### **Department Head Reports:**

**Public Works Director David Windham** told the Mayor and Council that the City had applied for supplemental LMIG funds to do the signage in the last remaining quadrant of the City which is the area of Edgewood, Forest, Mulberry, Pine, etc. The funds are also to do some striping on the streets and to change the intersection at Oak and Mulberry to current specs. He presented the Mayor and Council with an engineer drawing of the intersection that shows narrowing of the intersection and some curb and gutter work. The City had applied for \$53,136.58 and was actually awarded \$50,000 with the City having to put up a 10% match. He asked permission from the Council to allow Saunders Engineering to proceed with getting everything ready for the project and to be able to proceed with the project. A motion to proceed with the project was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Ed Guinn and a 2<sup>nd</sup> was issued by Council Woman Deborah Williams. The vote was unanimous.

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Mayor Pro-Tem Guinn asked about the paving of Oak Street. The County had previously paved one end of Oak Street from the 96 By-Pass to the City Limits sign. He asked if the County could have paved the entire street and was told that the paving was probably done thru the LMIG funds and that those funds are awarded based on the millage that the County would have submitted. It was also noted that a county receives more funds through the LMIG than a municipality would receive. Mr. Guinn asked if the City planned on paving Oak Street. Mr. Windham stated that he would like to be able to combine the LMIG funds from 2017 and 2018 and do that.

Mr. Windham told the Mayor and Council that he would like to have a work session on Thursday, August 4<sup>th</sup> to meet with them and Carter and Sloope to go over the scope of work for the GEFA project for the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

**Chief Jimmy Towns** said that the Butler Police Department had responded to 459 calls last month. 231 of those calls were traffic violations with 168 citations being issued. Chief Towns presented the Mayor and Council with a copy of a Racial Profiling policy that he would like added to the City of Butler Police Department's LEOP. Attorney David Mincey said that the policy is a basic policy that covers the department should anyone feel that they are wrongly stopped because of their race or if someone witnesses what they feel is an improper stop due to a person's race. The policy is accompanied by a racial profiling intake form that the complainant must complete and sign. Once a complaint is made, an internal investigation will be done.

A motion to amend the LEOP by including the Racial Profiling Policy was made by Councilman Glenn Harris and a 2<sup>nd</sup> was issued by Council Woman Deborah Williams. The vote was unanimous.

Chief Towns also said that he would like to thank Representative Patty Bentley for holding a prayer vigil on the steps of the courthouse for law enforcement.

He reminded the Mayor and Council that the annual police banquet will be held on Thursday, July 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 at the Butler Baptist Church. He asked that they all do their best to attend.

**Fire Coordinator Eddie Moulton** said that the fire department had run 9 calls last month. There were 4 vehicle fires, 2 grass fires and 3 vehicle accidents. He said that the

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testing on the 2 ½ inch hoses has been completed. On August 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> there will be a 16 hour Search and Rescue class held at the Butler Fire Department.

### **Executive Session:**

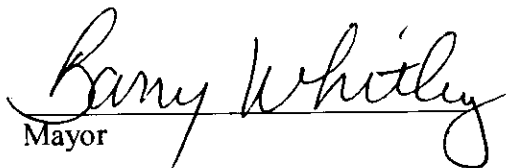
A motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss a property and a personnel issue was made by Councilman Glenn Harris and a 2<sup>nd</sup> was issued by Council Woman Deborah Williams. The vote was unanimous.

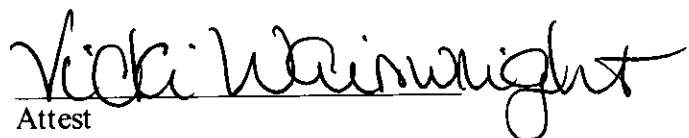
### **Regular Session:**

The Mayor and Council entered back in to Regular Session after a short Executive Session. A short discussion regarding remodeling the meeting room, bathrooms, and kitchen area of the fire house was discussed. The issue was tabled until further information is obtained.

### **Adjourn:**

With no further discussions, a motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Glenn Harris and a 2<sup>nd</sup> was issued by Council Woman Deborah Williams. The vote was unanimous and the meeting was adjourned.

  
Mayor

  
Attest