

**MINUTES OF THE BUDGET WORKSHOP
AND SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE OAK LEAF CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON AUGUST 27, 2009 AT 7:00 P.M.
AT OAK LEAF CITY HALL**

I. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL:

Council Members Present:

Mayor Paul Klooster

Mayor Pro Tem Pat Mahlstedt

Councilman Craig Wilson

Councilman Jim Tuma

Councilman Ron Spurlock

Councilman Ray Brindle

City Staff Present:

City Secretary Ronda Quintana

MAYOR KLOOSTER CALLED THE BUDGET WORKSHOP TO ORDER AT 7:06 P.M. AND ANNOUNCED A QUORUM PRESENT.

II. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The mayor then proceeded to give the Invocation which was followed by the declaration of the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. WORKSHOP ON 2009 – 2010 BUDGET:

Klooster noted that there were no citizens in attendance. He then initiated the workshop discussion by referring to the property tax rates sheet which illustrated changes in the current tax rate (.348544/\$100.00) to an effective tax rate of .3554/\$100.00 and a roll back rate of .3789/\$100.00. The mayor stated if the Council chose to consider the effective tax rate as the new tax rate, the result would be a projected increase in tax revenue of \$4,767.00 for the upcoming fiscal year. The Council was in agreement with the new effective rate, and Mayor Klooster indicated it would be added as an action item to the September Council Meeting Agenda.

He then continued the discussion by reviewing the draft of the 2009-2010 Budget and made changes to the following items:

- Item 44010 (Property Taxes M & O) - application of amounts in estimated actual and variance sections
- Item 44011 (Property Taxes I & S) - application of amounts in estimated actual and variance sections
- Item 45030 (Miscellaneous Income) – the addition of details to the comments section
- Item 51050 (Telephone/ Fax/ Internet) – a decrease in amount
- Item 51220 (Engineering) – a wording change in comments section
- Item 53001 (Office Purchases) – an increase in amount
- Item 53010 (Miscellaneous Equipment/Furniture) - an increase in amount
- Item 55020 (Resurface) – an increase in amount

There was also discussion on Item 51090 (Public Relations) concerning the Connect CTY alert system. The Council consented to leaving the projected expenditure as a budgeted item.

IV. ADJOURNMENT OF WORKSHOP AND CONVENING INTO SPECIAL MEETING:

With no further comments from the council members, Mayor Klooster asked for a motion to adjourn from the budget workshop. Mayor Pro Tem Mahlstedt made the motion, and Councilman Brindle seconded the motion.

Ayes: All present voted aye.

Nays: None

The motion passed.

Immediately following the workshop, Mayor Klooster called the Special Council Meeting to order.

V. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

There were no guests in attendance, so the meeting progressed to discussion of the agenda items.

VI. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS:

A. Approval of August 6, 2009 Meeting Minutes

The August 6, 2009 Council Meeting Minutes were reviewed, and Mahlstedt made a motion to accept the minutes. Brindle seconded the motion. No additional comments were made by the Council; therefore, Klooster called for a vote.

Ayes: All

Nays: None

The motion passed.

B. Approval of August 11, 2009 Meeting Minutes

The August 11, 2009 Council Meeting Minutes were reviewed, and Mahlstedt made a correction to Item VII (Regular Agenda Items), Section B. She stated the word "indication" should be changed to "indicated". Mahlstedt then made a motion to accept the amended minutes. Brindle seconded the motion. With no further comments from the other council members, the mayor called for a vote.

Ayes: All present voted aye.

Nays: None

The motion passed.

C. Consideration and Approval of an Additional \$1,000.00 for the Replacement of an Inoperative Outdoor Condensing Unit at the City Municipal Center

Mayor Klooster indicated the amount owed to replace the condensing unit totaled to \$5,000.00. This expense exceeded the previously Council-approved amount of \$4,000.00. Therefore, an additional \$1,000.00 would need to be approved to cover the remaining balance. Brindle made a motion to approve the additional \$1,000.00 and Councilman Spurlock seconded the motion. There were no comments or questions from Council, so Klooster called for a vote.

Ayes: All present voted aye.

Nays: None

The motion passed.

VII. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Discussion of Ordinance 0910 – An Ordinance of the City of Oak Leaf, Texas Amending Chapter 3 – Building and Construction, of the Code of Ordinances to Add a New Article (Article 3.2100) to be Entitled “Wind Energy Systems” Providing Regulations for the Construction, Use and Operation of Wind Energy Systems; Providing for Permits; Providing a Repealing Clause; Providing a Severability Clause; Providing for a Penalty of Fine not to Exceed the Sum of Two Thousand (\$2,000.00) for Each Offense; and Providing an Effective Date

The mayor and Council discussed the city attorney’s comments relating to Ordinance 0910. Councilman Wilson stated he will clarify a couple of issues with the attorney before the Council Meeting in October, and Klooster indicated the ordinance would be an action item at that time.

VIII. ADJORNMENT:

Mayor Klooster asked Council they had any further comments or concerns. None were made, and a motion to adjourn was made by Mahlstedt at 8:10 p.m. It was seconded by Brindle.

Ayes: All present vote aye.

Nays: None.

The motion passed.

PASSED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2009

Paul Klooster, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Ronda Quintana, City Secretary