

City of Tea
Regular Meeting
March 21, 2011

A regular meeting of the Tea City Council was held at Tea City Hall on March 21, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor John Lawler called the meeting to order at 7:16 p.m. with the following members present: Sidney Munson, Brian Fowlds, Chuck Ortmeier, Herman Otten, Joe Weis and Todd Boots. Also present was Finance Officer Dawn Murphy, Administrative Assistant/Economic Development Director Jenni White, Police Chief Brian Ketterhagen, Utility Superintendent Thad Konrad, Planning & Zoning Administrator Kevin Nissen and City Engineer Jason Kjenstad. There were also several boy scouts in attendance.

AGENDA. MOTION 11-047. MOTION by Fowlds, seconded by Boots to approve the March 21, 2011 agenda. All members voted AYE.

CUP PUBLIC HEARING. Mayor Lawler opened the public hearing for a conditional use permit for a group daycare at 215 W. Holly. There were no comments for or against. **MOTION 11-048. MOTION** by Ortmeier, seconded by Boots to approve Conditional Use Permit 11-02 for Rachel Schafer, 215 W. Holly, Lot 8, Block 3, Wetering Addition, for a group day care. All members voted AYE.

MINUTES. MOTION 11-049. MOTION by Fowlds, seconded by Ortmeier to approve the March 21, 2011 minutes. All members voted AYE.

LINCOLN COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT. Harold Timmerman was present from Lincoln County Emergency Management to give his annual presentation on emergency management procedures if a disaster would occur. He also gave the city a copy of the Lincoln County Emergency Operations Plan.

ENGINEERING. Jason has been talking with the engineer for Costello's regarding the Brian St. crossing on Nine-Mile Creek. The city will need to start thinking about doing a drainage study on Nine-Mile Creek. Jason will put a cost estimate together.

ZONING. The proposed drive-in public hearing in Lincoln County is March 22, 2011. The owners have addressed the concerns regarding off-street stacking of cars coming off the highway and only have one screen.

POOL MANAGER. MOTION 11-050. MOTION by Boots, seconded by Fowlds to hire Donna Howes as manager for the 2011 pool season at 16.25 per hour. All members voted AYE.

POOL ADMISSION. The season pass and pool admission prices have not been increased since 2006. **MOTION 11-051. MOTION** by Otten, seconded by Fowlds to increase the following pool season passes: family from \$55.00 to \$60.00; child from \$25.00 to \$30.00; adult from \$35.00 to \$40.00; and senior from \$25.00 to \$30.00. All members voted AYE. Daily admission will remain the same.

PARK AND RECREATION BOARD. There have been discussions at several previous meeting regarding the Tea Park and Recreation Board's desire to convert to a non-profit organization. Robert

Hoffman, Kirby Quam and Chris Hein discussed with the council the benefit of applying for grants that the city may not otherwise qualify. There was also discussion on the part-time position to assist the board and city hall duties. **MOTION 11-052. MOTION** by Fowlds, seconded by Weis to leave the Tea Park and Recreation Board as is. All members voted AYE.

POLICE DEPARTMENT. MOTION 11-053. MOTION by Boots, seconded by Weis to approve the Tea Police Department Vehicle Inspection Policy. All members voted AYE. Chief Ketterhagen will make the changes discussed on the Sexual Harassment, Sexual Discrimination Policy.

LEASE AGREEMENT. The council reviewed the amendment to the lease agreement between the City and CHS, Inc. on the elevator property. They have agreed to pay \$1,400 per month rent from September 1, 2012 through no later than April 30, 2013. **MOTION 11-054. MOTION** by Otten, seconded by Fowlds to approve Amendment No. 1 to the Lease Agreement between CHS Inc and the City of Tea and authorize the Mayor to execute the necessary documents. All members voted AYE.

COMMITTEE REPORTS. Councilmembers Otten and Weis will review the applications for the new police officer; there was discussion on the scoreboard for the new fields; the council will decide at the next meeting if additional outfield fence will be added to the baseball complex;

EXECUTIVE SESSION. MOTION 11-055. MOTION by Boots, seconded by Weis to go into executive session at 9:41 p.m. for legal matters. All members voted AYE. Council came out of executive session at 10:22 p.m.

MOTION 11-056. MOTION by Weis seconded by Ortmeier to adjourn at 10:22 p.m. All members voted AYE.

John M. Lawler, Mayor

ATTEST:

Dawn R. Murphy, Finance Officer