

**MINUTES OF THE  
TOWN COUNCIL  
APRIL 10, 2017**

**ITEM 1 CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Bassler called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

**ITEM 2 ROLL CALL**

Those present were Council Member Mann, Council Member Poole, Council Member Cockburn, Council Member Hanselman, Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman and Mayor Bassler.

**ITEM 3 INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.**

Mayor Bassler led both.

**ITEM 4 OPEN FORUM**

Mr. Dan Leal of the Denton County Children's Advocacy Center reported to the Council. He stated that the center is a non-profit in partner with Police Departments and other Law Enforcement to work the most severe cases of child abuse reported by Law Enforcement and CPS. The center helps coordinate cases and facilitate medical SANE nurses. There are Denton and Lewisville offices and offer free counseling to families and caregivers of abused children. They are working hard to help hold offenders accountable. Mr. Leal stated that the Advocacy Center appreciates the support of the Town of Ponder.

**ITEM 5 CONSENT AGENDA.**

Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman moved to approve the March 13, 2017 minutes, the March 2017 financial statement and the March 2017 Library Report. Motion seconded by Council Member Mann. Ayes: Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman, Council Member Mann, Council Member Poole, Council Member Cockburn and Council Member Hanselman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

**ITEM 6 PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION RELATIVE TO MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH.**

No presentation.

**ITEM 7 CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT WITH PIDWORKS TO ADMINISTER THE PONDER PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1.**

Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman moved to approve the contract between the Town of Ponder and PIDWorks. Motion seconded by Council Member Hanselman. Ayes: Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman, Council Member Mann, Council Member Poole, Council Member Cockburn and Council Member Hanselman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

**ITEM 8 CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVAL OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BETTY FOSTER PUBLIC LIBRARY AND THE TOWN OF DISH.**

Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman moved to approve the Interlocal Agreement between the Betty Foster Public Library and the Town of Dish. Motion seconded by Council Member Mann. Ayes: Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman, Council Member Mann, Council Member Poole, Council Member Cockburn and Council Member Hanselman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

**ITEM 9 INFORMATION FROM THE PONDER VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT.**

Gary Morris reported to the Council that the Ponder Fire Department was looking for a place to put a training facility. They received grant funds that require them to have training. The PVFD purchased shipping containers to build the facility with. Gary offered the PVFD an open space near the WWTP to build the facility.

Andrew Economedes added that this will allow the PVFD to train at will and that the Ponder Police Department will also have access to train at the facility.

**ITEM 10 CONSIDER AND ACT ON A BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUEST BY THE EDC, TO MOVE \$10,000 FROM THE WATER SERVICE LINE ITEM INTO THE MARKETING LINE ITEM.**

Council Member Poole moved to approve the \$10,000 budget amendment from the Water Service line item into the Marketing line item. Motion seconded by Council Member Hanselman. Ayes: Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman, Council Member Mann, Council Member Poole, Council Member Cockburn and Council Member Hanselman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

**ITEM 11 CONSIDER AND ACT ON A RECOMMENDATION FROM P&Z, A REPLAT OF LOT 5, BLOCK 2, TIESZEN TO LOTS 1-4 BLOCK 2, CRAIG, FM 2449 ADDITION, PONDER, DENTON COUNTY, TEXAS.**

Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman moved to accept the recommendation of the P&Z and approve the replat contingent upon the requirement being met in the Town Engineer recommendation letter. Motion seconded by council Member Poole. Ayes: Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman, Council Member Mann, Council Member Poole, Council Member Cockburn and Council Member Hanselman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

**ITEM 12 DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE PLACEMENT OF THE BETTY FOSTER PUBLIC LIBRARY.**

Tina Hager, Library Director reported to the Council that the Library is requesting use of the South end of the Vivian Cockburn Municipal Building after the Town Hall moves to the new location. The Council agreed that this would be acceptable.

**ITEM 13 ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON THE NEXT AGENDA.**

**ITEM 15 ADJOURN.**

Council Member Poole moved to adjourn at 6:37 p.m. Motion seconded by Council Member Hanselman. Ayes: Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman, Council Member Mann, Council Member Poole, Council Member Cockburn and Council Member Hanselman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

**APPROVED:**

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**John Bassler, Mayor**

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**Date**

**ATTEST:**

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**Sheri N. Clearman, City Secretary**