ENNIS TOWN COMMISSION MEETING MARCH 10, 2016 7:00 P.M. ENNIS TOWN HALL

Open Meeting: Commission Chair, Brian Vincent, opened the March 10, 2016 Commission Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Commission Present: Bourk, Palmerton, Bancroft, Pine and Vincent

Pledge to the Flag

Public Comment: None

Library Storage: Librarian, Molly Aaberg, told the Commission the Library is in need of storage for books and other items that the Library has. The Friends of the Library have offered to purchase a storage container for the Library. They have checked with the Director of Public Works and the Zoning Administrator and have approval for placement of the storage unit behind the Library if the Commission agrees.

Bancroft agreed with the Library on the need for this storage unit.

There was a picture passed around where the storage unit would be placed on the property.

Aaberg explained what the Library does and thus the need for storage.

Bancroft stated that a refusal of this request would be an insult to the Library.

Bourk said they are not looking to deny the Library but feels something needs to go into the Town Ordinances regarding "storage containers".

Art Behar, Zoning Administrator, reiterated that it is not against any ordinance, at this time, to bring in a storage container. The Town of Ennis purchases a storage container in, more or less, and emergency situation.

Bancroft made a motion to allow the Library to bring in and place a storage container behind the Library for storage. Vincent seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: All Commissioners voted yes. Motion approved.

Resolution 524-2016: A Resolution and authorizing statement to allow the submission for a grant to have an emergency response plan developed for the Town of Ennis' drinking water system.

Kelly Elser, Director of Public Works, explained the need for this plan to be developed.

Vincent made a motion to adopt Resolution 524-2016. Bancroft seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: All Commissioners voted yes. Motion approved.

Resolution 525-2016: A Resolution allowing Short Term Investment Pool (STIP) participation.

Ginger Guinn, Clerk/Treasurer, explained to the Commission what STIP is and that the Town has been a participant for many years. This Resolution is a renewal.

Vincent made a motion to adopt Resolution 525-2016. Bourk seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: All Commissioners voted yes. Motion approved.

Parking Ordinance: Vincent asked for an update on where we are with the updates being worked on for the Parking Ordinance.

The Committee stated they are waiting for the Town Police Officer to return. They can finalize the updates for presentation then.

Mayor Appointment: Bancroft said all the applicants for the Mayor's position had good interviews. He stated he feels Blake Leavitt, at this time, would be the best choice for the Town and explained why he feels this way.

Bourk said she feels all interviews were good also but feels Larry Pine would be a good fit for the Mayor's office. He has Commission experience and she feels he will be a good choice.

The Commission voted by ballot. Guinn collected and counted the results. (Pine: 3 votes, Leavitt: 1 vote) Larry Pine was chosen to be appointed Mayor for the remainder of this term.

Department Reports: <u>Library:</u> Molly Aagard submitted and recapped her written report of Library activities.

<u>Public Works:</u> Kelly Elser submitted his written report and answered questions about the culvert project.

Zoning: Art Behar gave a verbal report of zoning activity.

<u>Clerk:</u> Ginger Guinn submitted her written report to the

Commission.

<u>Attorney:</u> James Greenbaum told the Commission the Memorandum of Understanding with Deemo's and Sugar High are being worked on for the sidewalk project. He asked who is actually going to do the work. Pending matters are the Armitage alley disposition and the tenant eviction.

Commission Comments: Bourk said the Spay/Neuter Clinic will be held on April 2^{nd} . She told the Commission that April will be her last meeting as she is moving away.

Vincent said he will be on vacation from March 24th to April 24th so he will not be at the April meeting.

Pine told everyone the new Ambulance is due to arrive in May. The Ambulance service is planning a couple events also.

Claims: Bancroft made a motion to pay claims. Palmerton seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: All Commissioners voted yes. Motion approved.

Adjourn: Bancroft made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Palmerton seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: All Commissioners voted yes. Motion approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Brian Vincent, Commission Chair

Ginger Guinn, Clerk/Treasurer