

Brookland City Council Minutes
Special Meeting
August 26, 2019

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Jones

Roll Call: Council present: Mike Bishop, Lacey Elder, David Gambill, Wilson Shipman, Martin Crain, Jason Cooper, Mayor Kenneth Jones, and City Clerk Billy Dacus. Attorney Kevin Orr was absent.

New Business

Resolution 2019-10 & Resolution 2019-11 – Approval for match grants for city parks -

Mayor Jones announced the reason for calling this special meeting was because he got the estimated cost on the two new proposed city parks located at 103 Nelms and 202 W. Smith. If the council was interested in moving forward, the Resolutions and data would need to be submitted before September.

The Mayor told the council the cost of the Nelms Park would be \$155,017 and the cost of the W. Smith Park would be \$147,030. The total cost for both parks would be \$302,047. The grant would cover half the cost with the City of Brookland responsible for the other half which would come to \$151,023.50. Mayor Jones noted that the parks would have large game type systems, basketball courts, walking trails, pavilions, barbecue grills, and picnic tables. The Mayor asked if the council would be interested in moving forward with this project. The council asked about the availability for reserving and if there would be a fee to reserve? It was agreed that it would be a good idea to set a fee to help offset the cost of clean-up. The question was brought up about how the city would pay their part. It was noted by Mayor Jones that some city debt was about to be freed up soon if the money was needed this year but if the grant was enacted next year, then the money could be allotted in the 2020 budget.

Mayor Jones read Resolution 2019-10 in its entirety. This resolution is for the matching grant for the city park at 103 Nelms. Mike Bishop made a motion to accept Resolution 2019-10 as read. Lacey Elder seconded the motion. Mayor Jones stated motion and second, then opened the motion to the council for further discussion. David Gambill stated he thought this would be good for the city. Martin Crain asked where the lot was exactly. Wilson Shipman noted it was across from the lot that housed the old well and Mayor Jones stated it was about 1.5 acres of land. Being no further discussion, Mayor Jones called for a vote. Mayor Jones announced the motion to accept Resolution 2019-10 passed by a vote of 6 Yays to 0 Nays.

Mayor Jones read Resolution 2019-11 in its entirety. This resolution is for the matching grant for the city park at 202 W. Smith. Mike Bishop made a motion to accept Resolution 2019-11 as read. Lacey Elder seconded the motion. Mayor Jones stated motion and second, then opened the motion to the council for further discussion. Martin Crain asked about the adjoining land; if it was still for sale. It was decided that the purchase of this area still wasn't an option for the city at this time. Being no further discussion, Mayor Jones called for a vote. Mayor Jones announced the motion to accept Resolution 2019-11 passed by a vote of 6 Yays to 0 Nays.

Wilson Shipman made a motion to adjourn. It was seconded by Mike Bishop. Mayor Jones stated motion and second, then called for a vote. Mayor Jones announced motion to adjourn passed 6 Yays to 0 Nays. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15pm by Mayor Jones.

Kenneth Jones, Mayor

Billy Dacus, City Clerk/Treasurer