

**City of Alton City Commission
Regular Meeting 6:30 pm
February 24, 2015 Minutes**



Members Present

Mayor Salvador Vela
Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr
Commissioner Ricardo Garza
Commissioner Richard Arevalo
Commissioner Emilio Cantu Jr

City Staff Present

Jorge Arcaute
Baudelia Rojas
Jeff Underwood
Ricardo Gonzalez
Rosie Tello
Enrique Sotelo
Janie Gaytan
Rudy Garza
Javier Garcia

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCE A QUORUM IS PRESENT:

With a quorum of the Alton City Commission present, Mayor Salvador Vela called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

II. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE U.S. FLAG

Mayor Salvador Vela led the group in prayer. Commissioner Ricardo Garza led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT: None

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

Approve the minutes of the City Commission meeting of January 27 and February 10, 2015.

Motion to approve the minutes was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr and second by Commissioner Richard Arevalo. Motion carried 5-0.

V. NEW BUSINESS

1. Adoption of Proclamation 2015-02 proclaiming April 7, 2015 as National service Recognition Day.

Jorge Arcaute, City Manager stated proclamation shares a priority with mayors

nationwide to engage citizens, improve lives and strengthen communities. Staff recommends approval. Motion to approve was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr and second by Commissioner Richard Arevalo. Motion carried 5-0.

2. Adoption of Resolution 2015-06 designating a voting member and an alternate member to represent the City of Alton on the Urban County Advisory Council.

Jorge Arcaute, City Manager stated resolution was needed for the advisory council. Salvador Vela as member and Jeff Underwood as alternate member. Staff recommends approval. Motion to approve was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr and second by Commissioner Richard Arevalo. Motion carried 5-0.

3. Adoption of Ordinance 2015-03, an ordinance of the City Commission of the City of Alton, Texas ordering a General Election to be held on May 9, 2015 for the purpose of electing a Mayor and a City Commissioner Place 1; establishing early voting locations and polling places for said elections; and making provision for the conduct of the election, waiving second and third reading.

Jorge Arcaute, City Manager stated ordinance was for ordering an election for Mayor and Commissioner Place 1. Staff recommends approval. Motion to approve waiving second and third reading was moved by Commissioner Ricardo Garza and second by Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr. Motion carried 5-0.

4. Approve the disposition of surplus vehicles, equipment and other minor items.

Jorge Arcaute, City Manager stated disposition was for several surplus vehicles, equipment and other minor items. List showed the method of disposition. Staff recommends approval. Motion to declare items as surplus was moved by Commissioner Ricardo Garza and second by Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr. Motion carried 5-0.

5. Adoption of Resolution 2015-07, opposing Senate Bill 343 and any other legislation which would erode the authority of a home rule municipality; finding compliance with the open meeting law; and providing an effective date hereof.

Jorge Arcaute, City Manager stated resolution was opposing Senate Bill 343 which would erode the authority of a home rule municipality. Staff recommends approval. Motion to approve was moved by Commissioner Ricardo Garza and second by Commissioner Emilio Cantu Jr. Motion carried 5-0.

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Pursuant to Government Code Section 551.071 & 551.072

None

VII. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION FOR POSSIBLE ACTION:

VIII. CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

- a) Fire Station Project: project to be completed by March.
- b) Old Townsite Project: project is half way complete.
- c) Plumbing connections: there are a total of 115 connections
- d) Street Improvements: report will be provided at next meeting.

Jorge Arcaute, City Manager stated the Annual Gala will be held April 11th. The Urban County Conference is scheduled for April 17th-18th, 2015 and the Walk of Fame is next Wednesday, March 4th, 2015.

IX. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 pm was moved by Commissioner Ricardo Garza and second by Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr. Motion carried 5-0.

CITY OF ALTON



Salvador Vela, Mayor

ATTEST:



Baudelia Rojas, TRMC/CPM
City Secretary



Approved by City Commission 03/24/15