



**ACTION MINUTES**  
**Wilmer City Council Regular Meeting**  
**April 5, 2018 at 7:00 pm**

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Council Present

*Casey Burgess, Mayor*  
*Candy Madrigal, Mayor Pro Tem*  
*Melissa Ramirez, Councilmember*  
*Sergio Campos, Councilmember*  
*Sheila Petta, Councilmember*

Absent

*John Eggen, Councilmember*

City Staff Present

*Denny Wheat, City Administrator*  
*Patsy Patten, City Secretary*  
*Mark Hamilton, Fire Chief*  
*Vick Kemp, Police Chief*

**CALL TO ORDER** At 7:00 pm, Mayor Burgess called the meeting to order. Members present were Mayor Pro Tem Madrigal, Councilmember Campos, Councilmember Ramirez, and Councilmember Petta. Councilmember Eggen was absent.

**INVOCATION** - Invocation was led by Police Chief Kemp.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** - Wilmer City Councilmembers

**PROCLAMATION** - none

**CITIZENS' COMMENTS** – Ms. Maribel Ramirez addressed the Council concerning the 18-wheelers that speed on Belt Line Road. They drive past her house so fast that her house shakes. She also asked about trash pick-up. Currently, waste management only allows bulk pick up once a month but they need to take trash to a dumpster more often than that. They have had to go to Ferris and pay to use their dumpster.

Ms. Pam Wash addressed the Council concerning code violation issues that seem to never get remedied. Many included tagged cars that remain parked where they are and the owner just pulls the tag off but never moves the car. Fences in her neighborhood are falling down. She also mentioned old refrigerators sitting on porches which pose a danger to children who might get stuck inside one of them. How much time do residents have to fix a code violation?

Mr. John Phinney addressed the Council concerning library signage. He also reminded everyone about the next lecture series topic that will be held April 17, Angela Young will speak, As Head of Tribal Outreach, she will be discussing issues of Native Americans living in this area. He also mentioned the yearly essay contest for 8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> graders. Wilmer students can begin work on it after school is out for the summer. Cash prizes will be given for the top three essays.

Ms. Mary Phinney addressed the Council concerning library signage and Friends of the Library. She encouraged citizens to join Friends of the Library in order to help support programs for the library.

**COMMUNITY INTEREST** – Plans are underway for Earth Day, Saturday, April 21. The week prior to the event will be a clean-up week to help make Wilmer beautiful. We will have three bins for the trash during that week.

## CONSENT AGENDA

1. **Consider Approval of Minutes for the Regular Council Meeting held on March 15, 2018.**
2. **Ratification of Expenditures from March 11 – March 23, 2018.**

Mayor Burgess called for a motion to accept the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Petta moved to accept the Consent Agenda, second by Councilmember Campos. The motion passed unanimously 4-0. (Campos, Ramirez, Petta, Madrigal)

**PUBLIC HEARING(S)** none

## ACTION ITEMS

3. **Discuss and Consider Resolution No. R18-0405A Authorizing the Mayor to Sign a Boundary Adjustment Agreement Between the City of Lancaster and the City of Wilmer Along Sunrise Road.**

City Administrator Wheat explained that there is a large manufacturing company building on the corner of Belt Line and Sunrise Rd. Part of the ROW is in Lancaster and part is in Wilmer. This agreement will adjust the ROW to give Lancaster the entire width of road along that section. The Mayor requested that we bring an Ordinance back in two weeks to approve the boundary adjustment.

Mayor Burgess called for a motion. Mayor Pro Tem Madrigal moved to accept Resolution No. R18-0405A with an ordinance to follow at next Council Meeting, second by Councilmember Petta. The motion passed unanimously 4-0. (Campos, Ramirez, Petta, Madrigal)

4. **Discuss and Consider Resolution No. R18-0405B Authorizing Linebarger Goggan Blair and Sampson, LLC, the City's Tax Attorney, to Proceed to Foreclosure and Sheriff's Sale on 361 Johnson Street.**

City Administrator Wheat noted that another property had been sent to Council for authorization to go to Sheriff's sale – 361 Johnson St.

Mayor Burgess called for a motion. Mayor Pro Tem Madrigal moved to accept Resolution No. R18-0405B authorizing Linebarger to proceed with foreclosure and Sheriff's sale, second by Councilmember Petta. The motion passed unanimously 4-0. (Campos, Ramirez, Petta, Madrigal)

**5. Discuss and Consider Resolution No. R18-0405C Authorizing the Mayor to Sign an On-Call Services Agreement with Freese and Nichols for Engineering and Engineering Related Services.**

City Administrator Wheat explained that our previous on-call agreement has expired and we've spent all the money. We have so many projects going on right now that several engineers are working on different projects. It is important to renew the agreement.

Mayor Burgess called for a motion. Mayor Pro Tem Madrigal moved to accept Resolution R18-0405C for engineering services with Freese and Nichols, second by Councilmember Ramirez. The motion passed unanimously 4-0. (Campos, Ramirez, Petta, Madrigal)

**6. Consider by Minute Entry the Approval of Charles Lloyd Williams and Nathan D. Bickerstaff as Reserve Police Officers.**

Police Chief Kemp introduced the two new Reserve Police Officers. He gave brief bios on each one and asked everyone to stay after the meeting for their oath of office and badge ceremony.

Mayor Burgess called for a motion. Mayor Pro Tem Madrigal moved to accept by minute entry the addition of Charles Williams and Nathan Bickerstaff as Reserve Officers, second by Councilmember Campos. The motion passed unanimously 4-0. (Campos, Ramirez, Petta, Madrigal)

**7. Discuss and Consider by Minute Entry a Request from Friends of the Library for New Signage at the Library.**

The Friends of the Library request new signage for the library. Photos are attached in the packet.

Mayor Burgess called for a motion. Mayor Pro Tem Madrigal moved to accept the request for new library signage, second by Councilmember Petta. The motion passed unanimously 4-0. (Campos, Ramirez, Petta, Madrigal)

**DISCUSSION ITEM**

**8. Discuss the Alternative Locations and Options for Fire Personnel and Equipment.**

City Administrator Wheat briefed the Council on the current status. The lease price on the other building is too high for our budget. There is an alternative to have a modular building next to the current station for living quarters. Fire Chief Hamilton then addressed the council on the need to get the personnel out of the fire station. He recommended getting a modular building in ASAP and then start exploring options.

Council gave direction to go ahead and make arrangements to get the modular building on site so that they can get out of the fire station.

**ADJOURN** There being no further business, Mayor Burgess adjourned the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

APPROVE

Casey Burgess  
Casey Burgess, Mayor

ATTEST

Patsy Patten  
Patsy Patten, City Secretary

