



MINUTES

City of Abbeville City Hall



11/21/2011
CITY HALL AT 6:06 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Ryan Blalock called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m. with Terry Allums, Lucky Armstrong, Billy Helms, and Betty Yoder in attendance. Greg Grimsley was absent. Also in attendance were City Attorney Rodney Dalton and Clerk Pam Ward.
2. PRAYER – Lucky Armstrong gave the prayer.
3. VISITORS: Members of Police Department in reference to holiday pay. Members of the police department addressed council about confusion around holiday overtime pay. Upon motion by Helms and second by Armstrong, the motion was made to pay time and one-half for holiday pay plus time and one-half for overtime when worked in overtime situations. Motion carried unanimously.
4. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES
 - a. 11/7/2011 – Regular Meeting – Upon motion by Allums and second by Helms, the council unanimously approved the minutes.
5. APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO HOUSING AUTHORITY TO REPLACE RONNIE MARSHALL (TERMS EXPIRES 11/7/11) – JUDGE CHARLES WOODHAM – With approval from Council the Mayor appointed Judge Charles Woodham to the expired term of Ronnie Marshall.
6. REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION AND/OR NEW RULE AS TO WHICH FAMILY MEMBERS CAN BE BURIED IN THE VETERAN'S SECTION OF ABBEVILLE MEMORIAL CEMETERY EAST. – Upon discussion of the Council and input from the Cemetery Committee, Armstrong motioned and Helms seconded to allow Veteran and spouse to be buried in the Veteran's section of Abbeville Memorial Cemetery East. The Council unanimously voted down the motion.

Upon motion by Armstrong and second by Helms, the Council unanimously approved the motion as follows: The general rule shall be that Veteran's and their spouse may be buried in the Veteran's section of the Abbeville Memorial Cemetery East with the purchase of two lots.

7. RECREATION BOARD VACANCY – RECOMMENDATION FROM RECREATION BOARD TO REPLACE COACH SHIPMAN WITH RONNIE SPIVEY – Upon motion by Allums and second by Armstrong, the Council unanimously approved the motion as follows: Upon the formal resignation of Coach Shipman, the Council approves appointment of Ronnie Spivey to the Recreation Board.
8. PIONEER CEMETARY – COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO CLOSE CEMETERY TO ALL NEW BURIALS OTHER THAN IN EXISTING FAMILY BURIAL PLOTS WHERE VACANCIES CURRENTLY EXIST. Upon motion by Blalock and second by Armstrong, the council voted unanimously new burials shall not be allowed in Pioneer Cemetery unless in an existing family burial plot that currently has family buried within and where vacancies currently exist within said plot.
9. COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL:
 - a. Blalock advised Council Greyhound Bus lines was working towards bringing a bus stop back to Abbeville and was speaking with several businesses to that end. Mayor Blalock asked for continued patience on our clean up of leaves and limbs due to the knuckle



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boom truck being down and being shorthanded in staffing. Council was also advised the Old Trail Restaurant was now open on Hwy 431.

- b. Allums advised the Tour of Homes was coming up and could we try to clean up in the area of the homes behind the nursing home.

10. OTHER BUSINESS AS NEEDED – there was none.

11. ADJOURNMENT – Upon motion by Armstrong and second by Blalock, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Pam Ward
Clerk-Treasurer