

PROCEEDINGS OF REGULAR MEETING  
NEW BERLIN BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
FEBRUARY 15, 2016—7:30 P.M.

STATE OF TEXAS  
CITY OF NEW BERLIN  
275 FM 2538

The City of New Berlin convened a regular meeting open to the public on February 15, 2016 at City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Gilbert Merkle at 7:35 P.M.

The following members of the Board were present: Mayor Gilbert Merkle, Mayor Pro Tem Nick Milanovich, Aldermen Barbara Gerhard, Chris Davenport, Claire Walters and Joyce Wolfe, City Secretary Joan Milanovich and City Treasurer, Ruth Zwicke. There were no absences.

Mayor Merkle dispensed with the America Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge of Allegiance since the flags had been put away for the election. The invocation was led by Mayor Merkle.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:** The Mayor reported that he had met with Representative Kuemple. Rep. Kuemple had met with the Planning Department of San Antonio. They told him we had not sent four items that they needed. Those items will be sent and another meeting will be arranged.

The Mayor also reported that he had met with Attorney Amy Akers to keep her apprised of the status with San Antonio concerning the annexation request.

**FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:** No Report

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** The minutes for the regular meeting of January 18, 2016 were presented. A motion was made by Claire Walters to accept the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Nick Milanovich. **The vote was unanimous to accept the motion as presented.**

**Secretary's Report:**

1. The Secretary reported that she has not yet found a replacement. Consider putting an ad in the Seguin Gazette, Wilson County, La Vernia, and Express News newspapers.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:**

**Treasurer's Report:** The final financial reports for December 2015 were presented. A motion was made by Joyce Wolfe and seconded by Chris Davenport to accept the December 2015 financial reports as presented. **The vote was unanimous to accept the motion.**

The financial reports for January, 2016 were presented. A motion was made by Nick Milanovich and seconded by Chris Davenport to accept the January 2016 financial reports as presented.

**The vote was unanimous to accept the motion.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** There was no public comment.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**PLANNING & ZONING:** (Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month.) Joni Milanovich, Chairman

The Chairman reported that they met on Thursday. They completed Chapter IV. Consideration is being given to having a Saturday meeting in order to complete the Comprehensive Plan.

**PUBLIC INFORMATION:** The newsletter will be sent as soon as possible.

**OTHER VOLUNTEER COMMITTEES:**

LIBRARY—Chairman is needed—No Report.

CRIME WATCH—Wayne Zwicke, Chairman—No Report.

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS—Melvin and Joy Strey, Chairmen—No report.

MAPPING—Gil Merkle, Chairman—Mayor Merkle reported that we are going to use the map that Greg Webb from the County Road and Bridge produces. It is accurate and will be the official map at this time.

OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS—No Reports.

**BOARD AGENDA**

**1. DISCUSSION/ACTION REGARDING PARKING LOT:** The parking lot is going to cost more than Mike Barker and Wesley Greer had planned. The tree stump needs to be removed and it is larger than they expected. They gave us a cost estimate of approximately \$11,000 of which we would have to pay \$4500. A motion was made by Chris Davenport and seconded by Joyce Wolfe to get two more bids and if they are over \$4500 then we accept the bid from Mike Barker and Wesley Greer. **The vote was unanimous to accept the motion.**


**2. DISCUSSION/ACTION REGARDING EARLY VOTING AND ELECTION DAY:** Early voting for the primary election will be held at City Hall from February 16 thru February 26, 2016. Primary election day is Tuesday, March 1, 2016 and will be at City Hall.

**3. DISCUSSION/ACTION REGARDING THE CITY ELECTION:** The City election will be held on Saturday, May 7, 2016 if necessary. The vote last month was to contract with the County to conduct our City election. The County will provide us with an estimate of the cost.

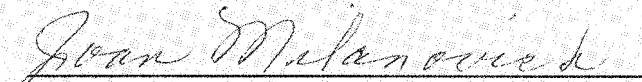
**4. DISCUSSION/ACTION REGARDING TOWN HALL MEETING:** The Town Hall Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 31, 2016 with refreshments at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting to begin at 7:00 p.m. Plans should be made for 60 people. A motion was made by Claire Walters and seconded by Chris Davenport to set the date for next year for Thursday, March 30, 2017. **The vote was unanimous to accept the motion.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** There was some discussion concerning the parking and crowd control at the Cook-Off at Brietzke's. Consideration was given to having permits for public safety purposes. The Secretary will talk to the Attorney about an ordinance to accomplish this.

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made by Chris Davenport to adjourn. It was seconded by Barbara Gerhart. **The vote to adjourn was unanimous.** The meeting was adjourned by Mayor Gil Merkle at 9:05 p.m.

  
GILBERT R MERKLE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
JOAN MILANOVICH, CITY SECRETARY  
(SEAL)

