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***Town Council Meeting
Hardin Hall
7:00PM
March 13th, 2017***

Present: Mayor Bob Atkinson, Vice-Mayor Russell Joseph, Councilman Lee Benningfield, Councilman John Reiss, Councilman David Ruff, Councilman BJ Hardin; Town Administrator Vikki Prettyman

Meeting Opened at 7:00pm with the Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes from February 13th, 2017 Town Council Meeting minutes; motion to accept in written form by Councilman Reiss; seconded by Councilman Benningfield; motion passed.

Police Report – submitted by Commissioner Benningfield.

BEDCO – no minutes at the time of this meeting.

P&Z – No Meeting held this month.

❖ Committee Reports:

- Housing/Code – report submitted by Marcus Trammell.
- Water report - submitted by Brandon Slater; read by Commissioner Hardin.
- Streets - No written report. Maintain the patches till weather breaks. Someone is dumping branches and limbs on Tenth Street and the cemetery. Marcus is looking in to it.
- Parks & Cemetery – no report in writing. Clean up at the cemetery was completed. Deciding on a location for the flag pole. Bids for the cemetery due April 10th, 2017.
- Police Report – Report in writing.
- Mayor's Report – Report in writing. Praised the Fire Co. that the Blades Fire district is excellence.

❖ New Business:

- Ordinance limiting alcohol sale times: Councilman Reiss motioned to waive the reading; the ordinance is available online and at town hall; motion seconded by Councilman Benningfield; motion passed.
- Resolution: surplus vehicles; motion to approve by Councilman Ruff; seconded by Councilman Joseph; motion passed.
- April 3rd, 2017 election cancellation, no contest
- April 22nd, 2017 town clean-up day...flyers to go out next week

❖ Good of the Community

- Dawn Reiss questioned the alcohol sales ordinance and the effect on future local businesses. Councilman Benningfield stated this isn't meant to be a punishment that there are way that permissions can be given to serve alcohol later. Mrs. Reiss questioned the discrimination of this ordinance and could open up a liability.
- Councilman Ruff said that May 7th the BVFC will be open for breakfast.



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Mayor paused the meeting at 7:47pm for an Executive Session.
Mayor opened the meeting at 8:33pm and briefly discussed his goals and objectives while he was mayor.
Mayor closed the meeting at 8:40pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Vikki Prettyman
Town Administrator



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Executive Session
3/13/2017

Opened 7:50 PM

Council went into deep discussion of the alcohol sales ordinance. Came to an understanding of some changes to the ordinance; directed T/A to make those changes.

Closed 8:33 PM

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Vikki Prettyman