

**MINUTES SEPTEMBER 18, 2017
CITY OF HEARNE COUNCIL MEETING**

The Hearne City Council meeting was called to order on September 18, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. Councilmembers present were Mayor Ruben Gomez, Emmett Aguirre, Lashunda White, Martha Castilleja, and Margaret Salvaggio. A quorum was present. City Attorney Floyd Akers was also present. Councilmember Rodrick Jackson was absent.

Councilmember Aguirre made the motion to accept the Consent Agenda from item a to c. Councilmember White seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Included in the Consent Agenda were the following items:

- a. To approve minutes from City Council Meeting of September 05, 2017 and Emergency City Council Meeting of September 12, 2017**
- b. To approve Accounts Payable from September 01, 2017 through September 15, 2017**
- c. To approve an Interlocal Agreement with TexStar and the City of Hearne, Texas designating Mayor Ruben Gomez, City Manager John Naron, and City Secretary Linda Pecina as authorized representatives on the TexStar Account**

Andy Berlan with the Robertson County Texas Rural Leadership Program gave a presentation concerning the Crossroads Festival. The festival is to be held on April 14, 2018.

A sketch of the City of Hearne mural was shown to the Council. John Naron, City Manager, stated the lettering around the mural would be changed.

Councilmember Aguirre made the motion to approve the Tax Levy Ordinance of the City of Hearne, Texas. Councilmember Salvaggio seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. This included the following:

- 1. Adoption of a tax rate of \$0.71039 per \$100 valuation**
- 2. Approval of Maintenance and Operations Tax Rate of \$0.35704 per \$100 valuation**
- 3. Approval of Debt Service Rate of \$0.35335 per \$100 valuation**
- 4. Approval of Tax Levy Ordinance**

Councilmember White made the motion to approve the Hearne Economic Development Corporation (Type B Board) hiring Floyd Akers as the Type B Attorney effective October 1, 2017; approve the written agreement between Type B and Floyd Akers for legal services as independent contractor; and approve the monthly payment of \$750 for legal services from the Type B funds. Councilmember Salvaggio seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

City Manager John Naron updated the City Council on the FEMA Leasing Agreement and the retirement of the K-9, D'Nero.

There were no public comments on Non-Agenda Items.

Mayor Gomez adjourned the meeting at 6:39 p.m.