

CITY OF FORT STOCKTON, TEXAS

MINUTES OF: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
DATE OF MEETING: JUNE 27, 2022
TIME OF MEETING: 5:30 PM
PLACE OF MEETING: 121 WEST SECOND STREET FORT STOCKTON, TX 79735

ROLL CALL WAS ANSWERED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS:

PRESENT: DARREN HODGES, JAMES WARNOCK, JOE CHRIS ALEXANDER,
RUBEN FALCON

ABSENT: PAUL CASIAS, RUBEN J. BERNAL

MAYOR: JOE CHRIS ALEXANDER
CITY MANAGER: FRANK RODRIGUEZ III
CITY SECRETARY: MARINA CANTU
CITY ATTORNEY: PUJA BOINPALLY

Mayor Joe Chris Alexander called the Regular Meeting to Order at 5:31 p.m. after declaring a quorum present.

Mayor Joe Chris Alexander read the Mission Statement:

"The Mission of the City of Fort Stockton Municipal Government is to Promote & Value Public Confidence and Trust by the Accountable and Responsible Use of Community Resources; to Ensure Public Safety; Improve Public Services; Promote Local Recreation and Entertainment; and Generate Economic Development.

Council Member Darren Hodges gave the Invocation.

Council Member James Warnock led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America Flag & the Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag.

PRESENTATIONS:

1. Alex Gonzalez with BioCatters, LLC---
 - Update on Blue Ridge Farms

Updates on Blue Ridge Farms:

- Water wells are being audited and records are being updated.
- Creating a Map with gas lines, power lines, water lines, well, depth of water, etc. Jake of Forge Energy explained they acquired this Surface Use Agreement and are our current Exploration & Production (E&P) Company working to update the agreement, which include the following:
 - SWD
 - Frac Pit - Would like an Agreement with City in case the City would like to utilize this.
 - Improvements to the Roads
 - Gates
- Solar pumps have been placed to support livestock operation
 - Solar Water Wells used to water livestock and the game.
 - Quail and 60 heads of cows are currently grazing the remaining vegetation from last spring.
- The tank was repaired by a welder.
- There are plans to build a berm and plant grass.
- There are still discussions with farming operations and restoring infrastructure.
- Possibly plant corn
- Discussions with 8 cryptocurrency groups to establish data center/bitcoin.
- Power Purchase Agreement with Solar group (3 site visits)
- Discussions with Battery Power companies to supply night and redundant power to Data Center. (2 site visits)
- Potential to recycle water. Anything off the property is 10 cents a barrel, anything on the property is 5 cents a barrel.

2. **Chief of Police Robert Lujan with Fort Stockton Police Department----**

- Statistics for May 2022

<i>Calls for Service:</i>	
<i>Dispatched</i>	1323
<i>FSPD</i>	833
<i>FSFD</i>	18
<i>PCEMS</i>	120
<i>PCSO</i>	338
<i>Accidents Worked:</i>	
<i>Accidents (PD)</i>	28

<i>Traffic Stops/Violations</i>	291
<i>Traffic Citations Issued</i>	35

<i>Investigations Initiated:</i>	
<i>83rd District Attorney</i>	4
<i>112th District Attorney</i>	6
<i>County Attorney</i>	10
<i>Juvenile Probation</i>	4
<i>Total Arrests:</i>	
<i>Assault – Family Violence</i>	9
<i>Burglary</i>	5
<i>Criminal Mischief</i>	5
<i>Criminal Trespass:</i>	14

Misdemeanors	37
Felonies	7

<i>Driving While Intoxicated</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>Evading Arrest</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>Undocumented Non-Citizens</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>Murder</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>Possession of a Controlled Substance</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Possession of Marijuana</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Public Intoxication</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>Resisting Arrest</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Theft</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>Warrants</i>	<i>4</i>

- 2 vacancies in Patrol
- 2 vacancy in Dispatch
- 1 vacancy in Animal Control

Chief of Police Robert Lujan recommended 5 School Resource Officer (SRO) positions for this upcoming school year.

Council Member Ruben Falcon voiced that parents are going to expect to see a SRO at every school

He inquired about the vandal who was breaking into car dealerships.

Chief of Police Lujan stated the vandalism has stopped.

CONSENT AGENDA:

3. All matters listed are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

Minutes: (Mayor)

- Regular Meeting Minutes of Fort Stockton City Council, 06/13/2022
- Special Workshop Meeting Minutes of Fort Stockton City Council, 06/21/2022
- Regular Meeting Minutes of Intergovernmental Recreation Board, 05/25/2022
- Special Meeting Minutes of Fort Stockton Tourism Advisory Board, 05/11/2022
- Regular Meeting Minutes of Fort Stockton Housing Authority Board, 04/21/2022
- Special Meeting Minutes of Fort Stockton Housing Authority Board, 04/21/2022

Accounts Payable Grand Total: \$327,333.49

Motion was made by Council Member James Warnock, seconded by Council member Darren Hodges, and carried unanimously to approve Consent Agenda, as presented. Council Member Darren Hodges, Council Member James Warnock, Council Member Ruben Falcon voted aye.

REGULAR BUSINESS:

4. Discuss/Act upon Hardware as a Subscription Agreement between the Fort Stockton Police Department and Peacemaker Technologies LLC, utilizing American Rescue Funds. (City Mgr./Asst. C.O.P.)

Assistant Chief of Police Ernesto Velasquez explained this is the agreement for the leasing of the 13 laptop computers for an annual subscription- 3 years for \$29,640.00

City Attorney Puja Boinpally advised City Council she reviewed the agreement and there is a statement that allows the City to terminate the agreement if it is not in the budget.

Motion was made by Council Member Ruben Falcon, seconded by Council Member James Warnock, and carried unanimously to approve Hardware as a Subscription Agreement between the Fort Stockton Police Department and Peacemaker Technologies LLC, utilizing American Rescue Funds. Council Member Darren Hodges, Council Member James Warnock, Council Member Ruben Falcon voted aye.

5. Discuss/Act upon Municipal Services Agreement between the City of Fort Stockton and A&B Prestige Investments, LLC. (City Atty.)

City Attorney Puja Boinpally stated this agreement is for the utilities A&B Prestige Investments, LLC would receive upon annexation of their property. It is the same as the agreement previously approved by City Council with the updated Planning & Zoning Number.

Motion was made by Council Member Ruben Falcon, seconded by Council Member Darren Hodges, and carried unanimously to approve Municipal Services Agreement between the City of Fort Stockton and A&B Prestige Investments, LLC. Council Member Darren Hodges, Council Member James Warnock, Council Member Ruben Falcon voted aye.

RESOLUTION:

6. Discuss/Act upon Resolution No. 22-111R, a Resolution setting a date, time, and place for a Public Hearing on the Proposed Annexation of Certain Property by the City of Fort Stockton, Texas, and Authorizing and Directing the Mayor to Publish Notice of such Public Hearing.
(City Atty)

City Attorney Puja Boinpally explained this is the Resolution Authorizing the City of Fort Stockton to move forward with the Proposed Annexation. She further explained the Publication would include the information pertaining to this proposed annexation.

City Secretary Marina Cantu explained the Public Hearing for this Proposed Annexation would be held on July 25, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. in the City Hall-Council Chambers.

Motion was made by Council Member Ruben Falcon, seconded by Council Member James Warnock, and carried unanimously to approve Resolution No. 22-111R, a Resolution setting a date, time, and place for a Public Hearing on the Proposed Annexation of Certain Property belonging to A&B Prestige Investments, LLC by the City of Fort Stockton, Texas, and Authorizing and Directing the Mayor to Publish Notice of such Public Hearing. Council Member Darren Hodges, Council Member James Warnock, Council Member Ruben Falcon voted aye.

7. Questions from Media

Fort Stockton Pioneer Editor Nathan Heuer inquired if the Proposed Annexation would go through Planning & Zoning again.

City Attorney Puja Boinpally stated this is a new request so to the process will be done again.

City Secretary Marina Cantu assured him that new Notifications would be sent out and a Public Hearing would be held for this Proposed Annexation.

8. Adjourn

Motion was made by Council Member Ruben Falcon, seconded by Council Member James Warnock, and carried unanimously to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting at 5:56 p.m. Council Member Darren Hodges, Council Member James Warnock, Council Member Ruben Falcon voted aye.



Joe Chris Alexander, Mayor

ATTEST:



Marina A. Cantu, City Secretary