

**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF CENTER
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
REGULAR MEETING
May 14, 2012**

The Center City Council met in a regular session on Monday, May 14, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Room of City Hall. The meeting was open to the public. Notices were properly posted of the date, place and hour and the news media was notified. The following members were present:

David Chadwick	-	Mayor	
Jim Forbes	-	Council Member	
Charlie Byndom	-	Council Member	
Charles Rushing	-	Council Member	Absent
Joyce Johnson	-	Council Member	
Leigh Porterfield	-	Council Member	
Chad Nehring	-	City Manager	
Barbara Boyd	-	City Secretary	
Jim Payne	-	City Attorney	

Guests signed the register.

Item I. Mayor, David Chadwick opened the meeting and welcomed the visitors and media.

Item II. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting on April 23, 2012. Council Member Joyce Johnson made a motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on April 23, 2012. Council Member Leigh Porterfield seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Item III. Public Hearing:

Public Hearing on Annexation. Jim Perry addressed the Council regarding the annexation of his property. Mr. Perry expressed his desire to not be annexed into the City. There were no other comments.

Item IV. Consider Discussion and Possible Action on the following:

- A. Approve Audit for Fiscal Year 2010-2011.** City Manager, Chad Nehring stated the audit committee met on May 3rd to review the audit report. Eric Carver with Axley & Rode Auditing Firm addressed the Council regarding the report. Mr. Carver stated this year all funds and accounts maintained a positive standing and positive growth of fund balances from the prior. Mr. Carver stated that there is also no management letter recommending any changes to policies, procedures or accounting practices. Council Member Leigh Porterfield made a motion to approve the audit for Fiscal Year 2010-2011. Council Member Charlie Byndom seconded the motion. All voted in favor.
- B. Authorize Design Contract for Entry Way Signage.** City Manager, Chad Nehring stated staff has worked to develop ideas and possibilities for entryway sign designs internally. Mr. Nehring stated that while likely locations have been identified, the style and design is presenting much more challenging to garner agreement. Mr. Nehring stated the proposal is to assist with the design and presentation of several options by the same firm that is completing the downtown master plan. Mr. Nehring stated funds were budgeted for this project, so this is not adjusting the budget or adding additional expenses and will allow design assistance from professionals to provide alternatives that will be attractive, economical and include complete construction details. Council Member Leigh Porterfield made a motion to authorize Design Contract for Entry Way Signage. Council Member Charlie Byndom seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Item V. Items of Interest from Council and City Manager, and Citizens – No Action Items.

1. Lenola Wyatt Tutt with Pineywoods Outreach. Lenola Wyatt Tutt with

- Pineywoods Outreach addressed the Council regarding their youth program.
2. Energy Expo - Civic Center – May 22-23-, 2012.
 3. Special Meeting – May 21, 2012.


Item VI. Executive Session.

A. Personnel.

Consider entering executive session for legal consultation with the City Attorney and discussion of pending litigation, personnel matters and land acquisition with possible action related thereto upon reconvening in open session in accordance with Local Government Code Section 551.071, 551.072 and 551.074

Item VII. Adjournment

Mayor David Chadwick adjourned the meeting.



David Chadwick, Mayor

Attest:



Barbara Boyd, City Secretary