

MEETING MINUTES
City Council, City Of Quitman

Thursday, March 15, 2012 – 7:00 PM
City Council Chambers, City Hall – 401 E. Goode Street, Quitman, TX

COUNCIL PRESENT: Jerry Edwards, Mayor; Sam Lange, Mayor Pro-Tem; Toni Cole, Alderman; Larry Crow, Alderman; Richard Kleebauer, Alderman; and Randy Dunn, Alderman

STAFF PRESENT: Mike Hall, City Secretary / Administrator; Delene Allen, Civic Services Director; Kelly Cole, Police Chief; Dee Gilbreath, Utilities Director; Walter Lutonsky, Streets & Maint Director; Jim McLeroy, City Attorney; and Junior Stovall (for Scott Wheeler, Fire Chief).

Edwards called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

At Edwards request, Kleebauer led an invocation. Edwards led the pledge.

Without objection, at 7:04 PM, Edwards convened a public hearing for the purpose of accepting public comment on an:

**Application for Renewal of Private Beverage Club Permit
Izzy's Social Club (in Papadale's Restaurant) – 619 South Main Street**

No comments were made.

Without objection, at 7:05 PM, Edwards closed the public hearing and continued the regular meeting.

Item 1 – Citizen Comments (COMMENT ONLY)

Chana Gail Willis, Wood County Industrial Commission Executive Director, gave a presentation regarding sales tax, trade area & populations, the purpose & function of the Commission, and the recent marketing & branding study for the County promotional effort.

There were no other comments.

Item 2 – February 16, 2012 City Council Meeting Minutes

Kleebauer made a motion to approve the minutes, Crow seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Item 3 – February Financial Report

Crow made a motion to approve the report, Kleebauer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Item 4 – February Budget Report

Crow made a motion to approve the report, Kleebauer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Item 5 – February Departmental Reports

Allen noted the upcoming Blue Grass Jam and its potential to overflow the Library Community Room perhaps needing to be held in the park instead. Edwards noted his interest to see some sort of music in the park on a regular basis, even monthly in seasonable months.

Hall noted the recent success with the warrant clearing focus coordinated between the Municipal Court and the Police Department, processing nearly 100 warrants in some fashion and collecting nearly \$10,000. He noted that many of the issues were placed on payment plans and most of the initial payment to clear court cost and later payments being realized as revenue to the city.

Hall also noted the recent issuance of the building permit for the Wood County Electrical Cooperative administrative building project. He also noted that the East Texas Medical Center project had been issued for a foundational permit and was in final review for the remaining portions of the permit.

Edwards explained that due to an upcoming surgery, he would be unable to fulfill his duties as Mayor beginning on March 27th until April 23rd and that through this period of time Lange, as Mayor Pro-Tem, would be acting in his place. He encouraged all department heads to work together, coordinating with Lange and Hall as needed. ***Kleebauer made a motion to approve the reports, Dunn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.***

Item 6 – May 12, 2012 City General Election – Order of Cancellation

Edwards introduced and read the order noting its approval would cancel the election and accept the appointment of Cole and J.R. Evans as Alderman following the May 12th election date. He explained this was due to the application of only two individuals for three spots and that the third vacancy would be dealt with by his appointment with Council approval following the May 12th election date.

Crow made a motion to pass the Order, Kleebauer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Item 7 – Private Beverage Club Permit Renewal

Izzy’s Social Club (in Papadales Restaurant) – 619 South Main Street

Edwards introduced the resolution, noting approval would provide an additional three year term for the permit. He noted there were no issues or concerns raised during the past three years under the operation of the previous permit.

Kleebauer made a motion to approve the resolution, Crow seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment

Kleebauer made a motion to adjourn, Crow seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THESE MINUTES ARE A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD OF THE ITEMS CONSIDERED AND ACTION TAKEN AT THIS MEETING AND THAT THESE MINUTES HAVE BEEN APPROVED AS TRUE AND CORRECT AND THAT AN EXECUTED COPY IS ON FILE WITH THIS OFFICE.



**MICHAEL E. HALL
CITY SECRETARY-ADMINISTRATOR**