

A regular meeting of the Groves City Council was held October 12, 2020 in the Groves City Council Chamber with Mayor Brad Bailey, Mayor Pro Tem Sidney Badon, Councilmember Chris Borne, Councilmember Kyle Hollier, and Councilmember Karen Theis in attendance. Mayor Bailey called the meeting to order and Mayor Pro Tem Badon led the prayer and pledge of allegiance.

**APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 28, 2020 CITY COUNCIL MEETING:** Councilmember Borne made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 28, 2020 City Council meeting as written and Mayor Pro Tem Badon seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Bailey asked for citizen comments or reports. There were no citizen comments. City Manager D.E. Sosa stated that Utilities Superintendent Michael Tentrup would be reporting on the Hurricane Delta cleanup. Mr. Tentrup reported the following: The debris volume from Hurricane Delta is slightly less than Hurricane Laura and will not qualify for FEMA reimbursement; Debris collection began 10/12/20; Deadline for placing debris out for pick up is 10/16/20; It is anticipated that debris operations will take two weeks; Garbage collection (cans) schedule will not be affected during debris operations. Disposal will again be at the City's greenwaste site on Georgia for staging and grinding; Grinding contractor will arrive in two weeks to grind the pile; Debris other than greenwaste will be hauled to the landfill. Mr. Tentrup reminded citizens that greenwaste needs to be separated from all other waste, including bags of leaves; Mixed piles will not be picked up until the end of operations; Refrigerators and freezers must have freon removed by a licensed refrigerant technician prior to disposal, and the paperwork will need to be provided to the City prior to pick up, per federal and state law.

**CONSIDER APPOINTMENT OF A MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE AND AN ALTERNATE MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE FOR TWO (2) YEAR TERMS:** Mr. Sosa stated that Municipal Court Judge Mike Simon and Alternate Municipal Court Judge Brad Burnett's terms expire on November 15, 2020. Mayor Pro Tem Badon moved to appoint Mike Simon as Municipal Court Judge for a two year term and Brad Burnett as Alternate Municipal Court Judge for a two year term. Councilmember Hollier seconded the motion. Mayor Bailey asked for questions or discussion. Councilmember Hollier stated that he had distributed historical data for the Groves Municipal Court for the years 2011-2020 and that this year's numbers were down due to the COVID pandemic. There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

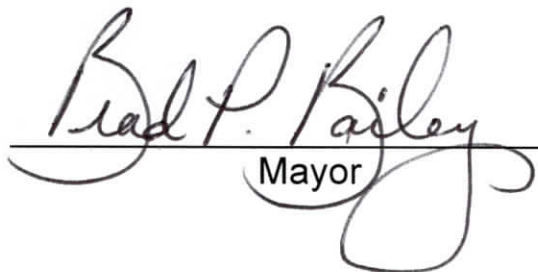
CONSIDER SCHEDULING A SPECIAL MEETING FOR 5:00 P.M. ON NOVEMBER 17, 2020 TO CANVASS THE RESULTS OF THE NOVEMBER 3, 2020 CITY OF GROVES GENERAL ELECTION: Mayor Pro Tem Badon made a motion to schedule a special meeting for 5:00 p.m. on November 17, 2020 to canvass the results of the November 3, 2020 Groves General Election and Councilmember Borne seconded. Mayor Bailey asked for discussion and there was none. Motion passed unanimously.

INVOICES: City Manager D.E. Sosa presented invoices for payment totaling \$236,743.89 as follows:

Brenntag	Polymer for water treatment (\$26,400); caustic (\$6,720)	33,120.00
CLS Sewer Equip.	Cues sewer push camera with 200' reel.	8,962.00
Novus Wood Group	Grinding of greenwaste debris from Hurricane Laura.	50,095.50
Republic Services	New construction and Peace & Dignity Program. 6235 Adams, 3210 Allison, 7039 32 <sup>nd</sup> , Monroe/Indian Springs, 6738 Hansen, 3600 Pure Atlantic, 6169 32 <sup>nd</sup> , 5905 25 <sup>th</sup> , 5968 Monroe.	5,916.99
Silsbee Ford	Ford Explorer for Police Dept.; <u>3@\$43,303.80</u>	129,911.40
Weisinger	#4 high service electric motor for Water Plant.	8,738.00

Mayor Pro Tem Badon moved to approve payment of the invoices totaling \$236,743.89 and Councilmember Theis seconded. Mayor Bailey asked for discussion. Mayor Pro Tem Badon asked if the police vehicles were a budgeted item and Mr. Sosa stated they were and that the price of the vehicles had gone up after they were ordered. Mr. Badon questioned the payment to Novus Wood Group and Public Works Director Troy Foxworth stated that the greenwaste chipped was the equivalent of six months under normal circumstances. Councilmember Theis asked Mr. Sosa for a ballpark cost for Hurricane Laura and Mr. Sosa stated that he didn't have one yet but that it would include manpower, chipping, and fuel. Finance Director Lamar Ozley will be doing a report on the cost of Hurricane Delta, which will be less than Hurricane Laura. There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Bailey asked for Council Comments and there were none. There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 5:14 p.m.

  
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