

The Council of the City of Villa Rica met in a regular scheduled meeting on Tuesday, March 1, 2011 in the Council Chambers at 101 Main Street, Holt-Bishop Justice Center, and Municipal Courtroom. Those present were Mayor J Collins, Council members Rusty Dean, Verland Best, Woody Holland, Shirley Marchman and Patrick Henrickson, City Manager Larry Wood, and City Attorney David Mecklin. Approximately 41 people were in attendance.

Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:04pm and Councilman Henrickson said the prayer and all recited the Pledge of Alliance.

**Approval of minutes for Called Council Work Session on January 25, 2011** - Marchman made motion to approve/Dean seconded – 5/0 – motion carried.

**Approval of minutes for Council Meeting on February 1, 2011** - Holland made motion to approve/Henrickson seconded – 5/0 – motion carried

### **Consent Agenda**

**Silvey Information Systems, Inc. – Network System Contract - \$12,960** annually, this amount show no increase in contract amount. Best made motion to approve/Dean seconded – 5/0 - motion carried.

**Financial update** - present by City Manager, Larry Wood. **For Current month:** Cash Accounts, \$10.5 million; General Fund Revenues, \$1,166,132; General Fund Expenditures, \$385,618 Water/Sewer Revenues, \$441,341; Water/Sewer Expenditures, \$237,359; Capital Project Expenditures, \$19,441; SPLOST Capital Expenditures, \$41,118. **Year-to-Date:** General Fund Revenues, \$7,513,000; General Fund Expenditures, \$6,689,771; Water/Sewer Revenues, \$4,527,629, Water/Sewer Expenditures, \$3,767,739, Capital Project Expenditures, \$716,546; SPLOST Capital Expenditures, \$1,201,994.

Currently have four (4) vacant positions: Water Treatment Plant Operator, Library Manager, Recreation Maintenance; and Probation Officer.

West WWTP is progressing 12 days behind their two year schedule. We should see substantial completion by April 2011. They remain under budget.

### **Old Business**

**Appointment to Carroll County Chamber** - No action was taken as Mayor Collins asked that this be moved to April agenda.

**FY 2011 CDBG Project: Discussion of the following Conflicts of Interest related to the City's FY 2011 CDBG application:**

Councilmember Shirley Marchman owns the following property in the Projects Target Area:

224 Tomas Dorsey Drive

Councilmember Woody Holland's wife and son are stock holders in H & H Management Company, LLC, which owns the following property in the Project's Target Area:

308, 309 and 315 Candler Street

521 and 523 Spring Street

Mayor J Allen Collins owns the following property in the Projects Target Area:

115 East Wilson Street

212 South Carroll Road

Councilmember Marchman and Holland and Mayor Collins excused themselves. David Mecklin suggested that Councilmember Dean conduct this portion of meeting since Holland was the Mayor Pro Tem and stepped down. Henrickson made motion to approve/Best second – 3/0 motions carried. This portion was just to process letters which would go to David Mecklin for processing and forwarding to the state.

Dean suggested that we move Item 12 to 9-A since this also concerned this project.

**9-A. Approval of FY2011 CDBG Application Resolution** - Best asked if this project cost included taking down the Sunset Tank. Wood explained it did not but regardless of this project proceeding or not this tank would have to be repaired or taken down. Wood is still looking at cost and what to do with this tank; no decisions have been made at this time. Henrickson made motion to approve/Best second – 3/0 – motion carried.

**New Business**

**Approval of new DDA Board Member** - Jerry Doyal, Chairman of the DDA presented the name of Pastor Chad Sadorf to council for approval as new DDA board member. Best mad motion to approve/seconded by Dean – 5/0 – motion carried.

**Consideration of Speed Hump to be located on North Avenue** – Dean made motion this be moved to April agenda since he has not had time to talk with the church/Holland seconded – 5/0 – motion carried.

**FY 2011 CDBG Application Resolution** – this item moved to 9-A

**Present proposed 2011-2012 Budget** - Smith presented first reading of the 2011-2012 Budget. Second reading will take place at the April5, 2011 council meeting where budget will be discussed further and approved by council.

**Payment Over \$5000.00:**

**4" Pump Replacement for Pump Lost in 2010 Flood** - Wood presented this request for the pump which was lost during the late 2009 flood. The City was reimbursed \$40,000.00 for this last pump through our GIRMA insurance and the pump we are asking approval to purchase is \$41,935.15, out of pocket for city is approximately \$2,000.00. This pump is need in the case of us loosing operation of one of our lift stations. This can be moved from station to station as needed. Holland made motion to approve/Dean seconded – 5/0- motion carried.

**Consideration of Contracts :**

**Waste Industries-Recycle Program - \$0.00** - Wood presented contract from Waste Industries for a recycling program for citizens in the city of Villa Rica which would cost the city zero dollars. Waste Industries has a contract runs to January of 2012, with the signing of this contract it would extend their contract for an additional 2 years. Best made motion to approve/seconded by Dean – 5/0 – motion carried.

**Rindt-McDuff – Consent Change Order – North Plant Filter/Sludge Holding Tank – Not to exceed \$52,000.00**

Wood presented this change order and explained that 2 years ago the EPD issued a consent order that we make certain changes to our wastewater treatment facilities, one to build the new plant and to upgrade the north plant. We have proceeded with some of the upgrades but still need to add the new filter and sludge holding tank. Holland asked if this was a firm figure, Fred state yes this is a firm figure. Holland made motion to approved payment not to exceed \$52,000.00/Best seconded – 5/0 – motion carried.

**City Update** - just want to mention that we had a request last week about putting in cell tower out at Fullerville Park which Jeff and I are not really keen on. We will be looking for other potential sites. Some suggestions from council and mayor are: Mirror Lake Tank, property at end of Cleghorn Street. Wood did explain that wanted to be in the Fullerville area because of the hospital area needed more power. This would be a revenue generator for the city so City Manager will continue to look for the best location.

Quick update on the CDBG grant: this grant comes in 5 phases and would require us to upgrade all downtown water systems so we are breaking this into parts and if we get this grant we will continue to apply and eventually get all of the downtown area water systems upgraded. There will be a public hearing meeting on March 8<sup>th</sup> at 12noon here in council chambers.

**Public Comment :**

**Chris Pumphrey**, just wanted to introduce myself to each of you as the new Executive Director of the Douglas County Development Authority and wanted to pledge my support for investments and new jobs for the Douglas County portion of Villa Rica.

**Hollis Miller, Mirror Lake**, just wanted to commend you on the budget and being about to reduce the total amount. I also wanted to comment on the trail head project and I feel you have gotten off the original purpose for this project and am not sure you have the data that states the residents want or need this trail. Fee it is not necessary to spend this money in this economy.

**Mike Williamson, Mirror Lake**, I also wanted to talk about trail head grant of \$500,000 budget and the spending \$140,000 for a survey. Has this been approved and is it in the minutes somewhere, was this money necessary to get this grant? I am not against it, but it may not be the best thing. Second at the January council it was stated that the city did not have funds to strip Old Town Road, but I am wondering if the stripping of the city hall parking lot was projected prior to the road. Wood explained we were waiting to strip until the county finished patching on road. Reese stated the patching is complete, Wood said we will get this striped.

NOTE: Mayor commented he pushed for this and to have it run from Mirror Lake to downtown so the residents (1/3 of the residents) could have a trail (not a golf cart path) to come to downtown so they could shop, dine and attend events. That he is disappointed that this has no come to reality. Holland stated that we did not own the land and it was expensive.

**Pete Croft, Mirror Lake**, stated he has looked at the revenue of the general fund and looking at it more realistically it is about \$600,000 over stated and he would be happy to share this information with anyone who would like to talk with him about this figure. Executive Session

**Mayor asked for executive session to discuss personnel matters at 7:05 p.m. Holland motion to move into executive session/Best seconded – 5/0 – motion carried.**

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J Allen Collins – Mayor

ATTEST:

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Barbara Daniell - City Clerk