

City of Alpine
Regular City Council Meeting
January 22nd, 2013
6:00 P.M.
Minutes

1. **Call to Order, Invocation and Pledge of allegiance to the flag** – Invocation was given by John Armstrong. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Rangra.
2. **Determination of a quorum and proof of notice of the meeting** – Mayor Rangra, Councilors Bermudez, Davidson, Lujan, Gonzales and Asgeirsson were present. Meeting notice was posted at 11:30 A.M. on January 18, 2013.
3. **Presentations, recognitions and proclamations** – None
4. **Reports** –
 - City Mayor's Report** - No Report
 - City Attorney Report** – No Report
 - City Manager Report** – No Report
 - City Staff Updates** – No Report
5. **Citizens Comments (on agenda items)** –
Carl Fleming – said his comment was on Executive Session, Item 13B. He said as far as he knew he had not seen any proposals in the paper and no one knows what the proposals may have been. He said he heard one of the proposals was for a race track. He said with a race track, he would like the Council to consider the dark skies aspect in Alpine and the noise factor. He said we have a cattle feed lot close and the animal control center is close by. He said he also did not believe you could put a paved track over a landfill.
6. **Public Hearings** – None
7. **Consent Agenda – (Minutes, Financial reports, Department Written Reports, board appointments, etc.)** – None
8. **Information or Discussion items** – None

Action Items to be accompanied by a brief statement of facts, including where funds are coming from, if applicable. (Action items limited to 15 per meeting.)

9. **Discuss and Consider approving new logo for city including “Home of Sul Ross State University”.** (J. Gonzales) – Councilor Gonzales said Lucy Escovedo gave him a call and gave him some information about our logo. He said the Alpine Chamber of Commerce in the 1990's designed the logo by Eric O'Keefe and the two office managers, Linda Chavez and Lucy Escovedo. He said Lucy checked it

out and it meets her approval. He said it says “Home of Sul Ross State University” on the bottom of the logo. He said we did not actually change the logo but added to the bottom, underneath the logo. Councilor Gonzales made a motion, by Resolution 2013-01-07, to approve a new logo for the city including “Home of Sul Ross State University”. Motion was seconded by Councilor Bermudez. Councilor Bermudez said he thinks this is a good idea because in all the TML meetings that we attend, as soon as someone says Alpine, they talk about the open meetings act and that it is the home of Sul Ross State University. Mayor Rangra said he gave this to Dr. Maestas also to review, so it did not come as a surprise to him. He said Dr. Maestas liked it. Mayor Rangra said it looks good. Councilor Davidson asked about changing the letterhead. The City Secretary, Molly Taylor, said we also have to change the City Attorney on the letterhead so we will do both at the same time. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Citizen’s Comments (limit 3 minutes) – None

11. Council Member’s Comments and Answers –

Councilor Gonzales – said he would like to thank everyone for the logo. He thinks it will look good.

Councilor Lujan – said everything is good.

Councilor Davidson – said there is a group of tour operators, about 12, along with a couple of state tourism officials who will be coming to our area and will be dining at the Reata next Sunday at 12:45 P.M. if anyone wants to come by and say hi. He said there will be people there from China, Czech Republic, and several from Great Britain. He said this will be a lightning fast trip. He said he thought maybe the Mayor and Council would like to go and give that warm Alpine welcome.

Mayor Rangra – said TML is having a meeting on the 1st of February. He said on the 4th is Texas Legislative Day. He said on the 8th Pancho Nevez, our State Representative will be here, in Alpine for our TML Regional Quarterly meeting. He said going back to the TML meeting in Austin, he called Senator **Uresti’s** office and the State Representative’s Office to see if they can meet with the Council **members** and Mayor on the 4th. He said some of us have to come right back. He said Senator **Uresti** said he could meet with us about 9 or 10 o’clock on the 4th. He said after that we can see our State Representative and express our concerns. Councilor Lujan said he just became aware of this meeting today. The City Manager said there might still be some rooms and registration for the conference was still open. Councilor Lujan asked if he needed to list himself with TML to be notified of those events. The City Manager said these conferences come in with e-mails to every councilmember. Mayor Rangra said they also come in with the monthly magazine **“Texas Town and City” that every Councilmember receives every month**. The City Manager said everything is also on the website and they

send out an update once every week. Mayor Rangra said he thought Councilor Lujan could still go, if he wanted to, and to check with Abel. The City Manager asked if anyone wanted to sign up and Abel could do that.

Motion was made by Councilor Davidson to enter into Executive Session. Motion was seconded by Councilor Bermudez. Motion unanimously carried. Council entered into Executive Session at 6:18 P.M.

12. Executive Session – Pursuant to Texas Government Code Subsection 551.071, Consultation with Attorney, and Subsection 551.072, Texas Government Code, Consultation with Attorney concerning Real Estate issues

- A. Consider appraisals for landfill and Scown property. (C. Garcia, CM)**
- B. Consider proposals for landfill property. (C. Garcia, CM) –**
- C. Consider new financial policy for city. (C. Garcia, CM) -**

13. Action – Executive Session – Pursuant to Texas Government Code, Subsection 551.071, Consultation with Attorney, Subsection 551.072, Texas Government Code, Consultation with Attorney concerning Real Estate Issues and Subsection 551.074, Texas Government Code, Personnel Matters

- A. Consider approving appraisals for landfill and Scown property. (C. Garcia, CM) –**
- B. Select and approve proposal for landfill property. (C. Garcia, CM) –**
- C. Approve new financial policy for city. (C. Garcia, CM) –**

Motion was made by Councilor Lujan, by Resolution 2013-01-08 to take no action on item A, take no action on item B and take no action on item C. Motion was seconded by Councilor Bermudez. Motion unanimously carried.

14. Adjournment – There being no further action, meeting was adjourned.

I certify that this amended notice was posted at 11:30 A.M. on January 18th, 2013, pursuant to Texas Open Meetings Act. (Texas Vernon's Annotated Civil statutes, section 551.043 Texas Government Code.) This facility is wheelchair accessible and accessible parking space is available. Requests for accommodations or interpretive services must be made 48 hours prior to this meeting. Please Contact the city secretary's office at (432) 837-3301 or fax (432) 837-2044 for further information.

Dr. Avinash Rangra, Mayor

Attest:

Margaret "Molly" Taylor, City Secretary

I, Margaret "Molly" Taylor, City Secretary, do certify that this notice was posted at 11:30 A. M. on January 18th, 2013, and remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

Margaret "Molly" Taylor, City Secretary