

April 17, 2018

A G E N D A

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Prayer
3. Pledge to The Flags
4. Welcome Guest
5. Citizen Presentations: At this time, any person with business before the Council not scheduled on the agenda may speak to the Council. No formal action can be taken on these items at this meeting. Please limit to two minutes each.
6. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)
7. Update on Police Department Activity
8. Judge Betty Loggins – Update on Municipal Court Activity
9. Tracy Cox - Update on Main Street Program
10. Update from City Manager
11. City Parks – Discussion and Action If Any To Approve Park Hours
12. General City Parks Discussion (Mark Liepman)
13. Discussion and Action If Any To Approve City/Sports Association Ballparks Usage and Maintenance
14. Discussion and Action If Any On Possible Addition of Rural Water System to City Services
15. Adjourn

The City Council reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above, as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations About Security Devices) and 551.087 (Economic Development).

The City of San Augustine held its regular meeting on Tuesday, April 17, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.

Members present were:

Mayor	Leroy Hughes
Aldерwoman	Valencia Price
Aldерwoman	Pamela Teel
Alderman	Stacy Watts
Alderman	Mark Liepman
Alderman	Dan Fussell
Attorney	Wade Flasowski
City Manager	John Camp
City Secretary	Cinda Garner

Mayor Hughes called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Mayor Hughes offered prayer.

The pledge to the flags was recited in unison.

Mayor Hughes welcomed guest.

Guest present were:

Chris Anding	Jessee Fountain	Linda Mathews
Desmond Moore	Loretta Hughes	Virginia Liepman
Emily Mathews	Charles Sharp	Jeaneyse Mosby
Stephen Hays	Martha Butts	

5. Citizens Presentations

There were no citizens presentations.

6. Approval Of Minutes Of Previous Meeting(s)

Aldерwoman Valencia Price offered the motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Alderman Stacy Watts seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion were Aldерwoman Price, Alderman Watts, Alderman Mark Liepman, and Alderman Dan Fussell. Aldерwoman Pamela Teel was not present at this time. Motion carried.

7. Update on Police Department Activity

Chief Gary Fountain gave the update on the police department's activity for the month of March. Activity included: cases filed 30; 10 felony arrests; 6 misdemeanor arrests; 7 assist other agencies; 84 responses on calls for service; 2 juvenile case; 3 auto accident response/report; 103 citations; and 70 warnings

8. Judge Betty Loggins – Update On Municipal Court Activity

Judge Betty Loggins was absent. Mayor Hughes reported 87 citations and collections of \$2,266.00 for the month of March.

9. Tracy Cox – Update On Main Street Program

Tracy Cox did not attend this month's meeting.

10. Update From City Manager

City Manager John Camp gave an update of city activity to the council. Activity included:

1. **Front Office Initiative Status** - Everything is still working out very well. A security plan has been established for the front office.
2. **Upkeep Progress** – Upkeep has been fully implemented and is working well. Since March 17 to April 17 we have opened 330 work orders and closed 276, 22 in progress and 23 on hold.
3. **Water Tanks** – Spoke with Danny Hays with KSA today and we have not gotten anything back from the TCEQ on the contact time study. Hopefully this will be finished soon and we can continue with the completion of the tanks.
4. **Lewis Hotel** – Work is progressing mostly on the west side of the hotel. We are working with the THC to get approval to work on the front and east facing side.
5. **FEMA Update** (Estimated Cat B Damages incoming changed from last update) – Last reported on Category B, barricades, was reimbursement of approximately \$9,500.00. Mr. Camp is working with FEMA and reimbursement is now approximately \$15,000.00.
6. **Website** – Will have training in May for the website. We will be accepting pictures to put on the website.
7. **Franklin Legal** – Franklin Legal is finished with the codification of the City's ordinances and is waiting on our review. We should be completing this soon.
8. **Pink House** – The house is not in condition to be sold or restored. Mr. Camp will come up with a plan to remove the building and get back with the council.
9. **Stripling/COSA Property Issue beside Stripling Jail** – Mr. Camp has talked to the Whittons, surveyors, and they are writing up a description of the property. Mr. Camp will negotiate a plan with the Striplings.
10. **Hanks v/s San Augustine** – This is in a holding pattern for now. The judge is granting the Hanks time to get a new attorney.

11. City Parks – Discussion and Action If Any To Approve Park Hours

City Manager Camp advised the council the city parks should have hours of use for public safety and control. He recommended we establish hours of allowable use for our parks as Sunup to Sundown. Alderman Fussell offered the motion to establish the hours of 8:00 A.M. to Sunset for all City public park areas, except during City sanctioned events and/or rentals. Alderman Liepman seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion were Alderwoman Price, Alderwoman Teel, Alderman Watts, Alderman Liepman, and Alderman Fussell. Motion carried.

12. General City Parks Discussion (Mark Liepman)

Alderman Liepman expressed his concern for the condition of the parks in the City. He stated how he loves our City and its rich history. The citizens need to keep our history alive. The parks in our city are in serious disrepair. Mr. Liepman suggested that the council put together a committee to form a master plan for parks and recreation for our city.

13. Discussion and Action If Any To Approve City /Sports Association Ballparks Usage and Maintenance

City Manager Camp discussed this item with the council. The park is from the 1980's and our direction has become uncertain. We need to understand mutual need and commitment including concerned parties so we can go forward with the facility. This includes seeking new funding to renovate the facility which is falling into disrepair. The city manager is unwilling to proceed with maintaining the ballpark areas without clarification and would like to hear discussion about intent and vision. Alderman Liepman offered the motion that the City request the "Sports Association" reform and provide contacts to work with the City to develop policy regarding the ballpark on State Highway 21 prior to any city action outside the public areas of that park. Alderwoman Price seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion were Alderwoman Price, Alderwoman Teel, Alderman Watts, Alderman Liepman, and Alderman Fussell. Motion carried.

14. **Discussion and Action If Any On Possible Addition Of Rural Water System To City Services**

City Manager Camp discussed with the council the possibility of assuming control of the Rural Water System. The City is already the primary provider of water to the system via our excess capacity. It might be possible to improve service to consumers while insuring continued income for the city. There will be many questions to be answered, and it is possible we may need a subject matter expert, a consultant, and the City Manager wants to know if the board is open to the idea before spending significant time investigating. Presently there are about 661 connections on the system and miles of pipe and many cost control problems. Alderman Fussell offered the motion to allow the City Manager to investigate the City of San Augustine assuming control of the Rural Water System for further discussion and or action at a future meeting. Alderman Watts seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion were Alderwoman Price, Alderwoman Teel, Alderman Watts, Alderman Liepman, and Alderman Fussell. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.