

City of Oak Ridge
Kaufman County, Texas
City Council Workshop Meeting Minutes
November 9, 2020 at 6:00 PM

Item 1

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Al Rudin at 6:00 PM. Present were Council Members Janelle Davis, Rolando Guzman, and Nena Langford. Jimmy Quick and Scherri Holmes were unable to attend. City Secretary Donna Sprague was in attendance.

Item 2 **Discuss, Consider, Approve Future Construction of Commercial Business (Bill Parmer-Jim Busalachi)**

Jim Busalachi presented the council with the plans to sell 2 acres of their land to another business similar to the one they have. It would consist of 2 buildings one for storage. It would not be close to any other property owner's property. He has talked to North Kaufman Water, and everything is being taken care of. He just wanted to know if the council had any problems. Councilmember Nena Langford has property that adjoins this property. She requested the fence line be all the way to the back. This would prevent her cattle from getting out. He had no problem with what she requested. It was noted that the Parmer business had been there for years, and had been good neighbors. Motion was made by Nena Langford with the notation about the fence line and seconded by Rolando Guzman. All being in favor, motion carried.

Item 3

Discuss, Consider, Approve Zoning Ordinance 61-20

The City Attorney made the necessary changes to the zoning ordinance to clarify what a single-member dwelling included. The Council discussed the ordinance, and made one small change in the wording. Motion was made by Janelle Davis and seconded by Nena Langford to accept the ordinance with the minor change. All being in favor, motion carried.

Item 4

Update on Court Activities/City Fees for October

The Court Clerk submitted a written report on the activities for October. She said that the officers had written 42 citations for the month. She had sent out 14 pre-warrant letters to individual who had not made arrangements on their citation dating back several months.

Item 5

Report on Income and Expense of City for October

The City Secretary reported that October being the first official month of the fiscal year that there was not much to report. Property taxes would not show any increase until the end of December.

Item 6

Discussion the Mayor had with Representative Keith Bell

The Mayor and the State Representative discussed HB 2439 and the impact it had on cities. He was told that many cities had expressed the same concerns, and that the legislature would be called on to review and possibly make changes. The Hwy 34 expansion was discussed, Rep. Bell said that he would only have input on the State level. If problems had to be discussed locally then he would not get involved. The last topic was the hardship caused by sub-divisions developing in the small cities, and the city having to annex the road. It was discussed that perhaps that law should be bracketed to the size and budget of the individual city involved. The Mayor was very pleased that Rep. Bell made time for him.

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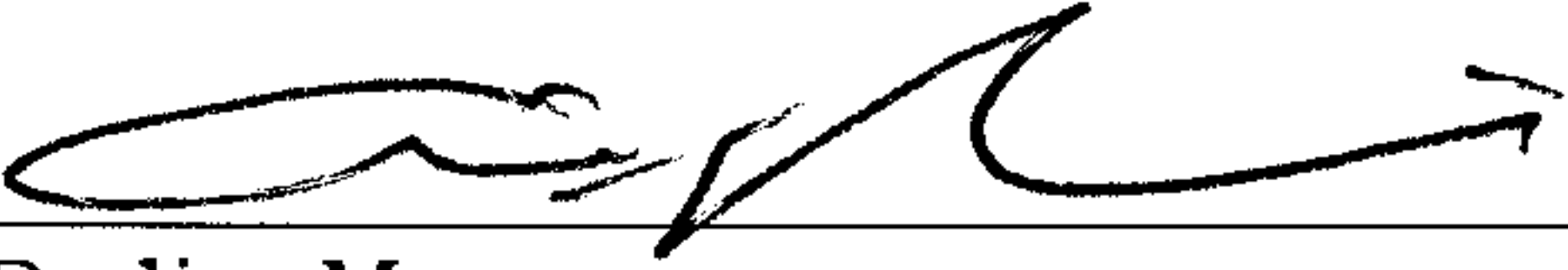
Discussion on Roads

The Mayor said the speed limit on Abner Road was too slow, and needed to be discussed at the next meeting. He said that 25 or 30 MPH would be better. There was discussion on placing speed bumps on the road to slow down drivers.

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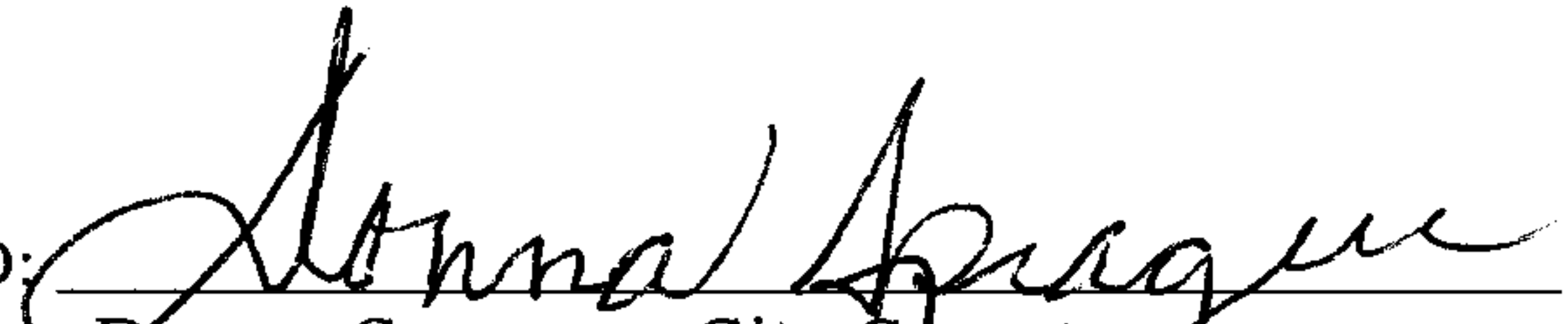
Motion to Adjourn

Motion was made by Nena Langford and seconded by Rolando Guzman to adjourn the meeting at 7:07 PM. All being in favor, motion carried.



Al Rudin, Mayor

ATTESTED:



Donna Sprague, City Secretary