

**MINUTES
OF
CITY OF WHARTON
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 12, 2011**

Mayor Domingo Montalvo, Jr. declared a Special Meeting duly open for the transaction of business at 6:00 P.M.

Councilmembers present were: Mayor Domingo Montalvo, Jr., Councilmembers Al Bryant, Jeff Gubbels, Terry David Lynch, Don Mueller, Karen Schulz and Russell Machann.

Councilmember absent was: None.

Staff members present were: City Manager Andres Garza, Jr., Finance Director Joan Andel, and City Secretary Paula Favors.

Visitors present were: None.

The third item on the agenda was Budget Workshop: City of Wharton 2011-2012 Fiscal Year Budget:

- A. General Fund.
- B. Hotel Motel Fund.
- C. Narcotics Seizure Fund.
- D. Debt Fund.
- E. Capital Improvement Fund.
- F. Water & Sewer Fund.
- G. Solid Waste Fund.
- H. Emergency Medical Services Fund.
- I. Civic Center Fund.
- J. Airport Fund.

Finance Director Joan Andel, City of Wharton Department Heads and City Manager Andres Garza, Jr. presented information regarding the 2011-2012 fiscal year budget as follows:

1. Chief of Police Tim Guin presented to the Council how the Police department operates and the future needs of the department, which included new patrol units, and upgrades to the current dispatching system.
2. Chief of Police Tim Guin presented the information for Emergency Management Department for Mr. James Cooper, Emergency Management Coordinator. Chief Guin stated that Mr. Cooper could not be present because his wife was in the hospital. Chief Guin stated the needs for the Emergency Management department included an incident command vehicle, sirens, and other needs that Mr. Cooper had expressed.
3. EMS Director John Kowalik presented his department's needs to the Council and asked to hire more full time employees, which would bring more stability to the department.

4. Fire Chief Anthony Abbott presented to the Council how the Fire Department operates and the desired future needs.
5. Facilities Maintenance Director Robert Baker presented to the Council how the Facilities Maintenance Department operates and gave accolades to his staff, citing their recent work at the Wharton Freedom Fest.
6. Building Official Ronald Bollom presented to the Council how his department operates and gave accolades to his staff.
7. Community Services Director Jo Beth Knezek presented to the Council the needs of the Civic Center which included projection screens and additional parking in the front of the building.
8. Airport Manager David Allen presented to the Council how the airport operates and stated the status of the submitting the notice of intend to Texas Department of Transportation for the new terminal building.
9. Public Works Director Carter Miska presented the Council with how the Public Works department operates and the future needs of the water and sewer infrastructures. Mr. Miska stated the need for the replacement of several pieces of equipment and vehicles for the next years.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

CITY OF WHARTON, TEXAS

By: _____
DOMINGO MONTALVO, JR.
Mayor

ATTEST:

PAULA FAVORS
City Secretary