

**BEECH GROVE CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
NOVEMBER 29, 2010**

Mayor Joe Wright called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M.

ROLL CALL: City Council members Ross Barton, Ed Bell, John Jennings, Mike Pence, Mary Stewart and Buddy Templin were present at the meeting. Also attending were Clerk Treasurer Chris Duffer and Deputy City Attorney Jeff Logston.

All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag.

MEETING MINUTES: Chris Duffer read the November 3, 2010 minutes into the record. Councilor Jennings motioned to approve the minutes as read. Councilor Stewart seconded the motion, which was approved by voice vote.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS: None

COMMENTS BY CITIZENS: Dan McMillan of 81 S. 3rd St. spoke to encourage every councilor to vote no to the tax anticipation warrant. He stated it had not been established how we would repay the TAW. Mayor Wright asked Jeff Peters of Peters Municipal Consultants to explain the repayment plan to Mr. McMillan. Mr. Peters stated that it was a cash flow loan and the repayment sources are the taxes to be levied during 2011; that the city must spend the money first and get reimbursed from the state in June and December.

REPORTS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS None

NEW BUSINESS: Deputy City Attorney Jeff Logston read into the record Special Ordinance No. 8, 2010, an Ordinance Fixing the Salaries of Elected Officials for 2011. Councilor Jennings motioned to accept the Ordinance as read. Councilor Barton seconded the motion. Councilor Templin asked if the only alternative was to keep salaries the same and was answered yes. The Ordinance passed by a vote of 7-0 on first reading.

Deputy City Attorney Jeff Logston read into the record by title only Special Ordinance No. 9, 2010, an Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of Tax Anticipation Warrants for the General Fund for 2011. Mr. Jeff Peters of Peters Municipal Consultants was asked to explain the TAW. He then handed out a Cash Flow Deficit Analysis document that explained revenues and expenditures for the entire year of 2011. Mr. Peters addressed the council and explained each column of the document to the council members and how the amount of the TAW was derived. Councilor Jennings motioned to accept the Ordinance as read. Councilor Pence seconded the motion which resulted in a 3-3 tie vote along party lines. Mayor Wright broke the tie with a yea vote and the Ordinance passed on first reading.

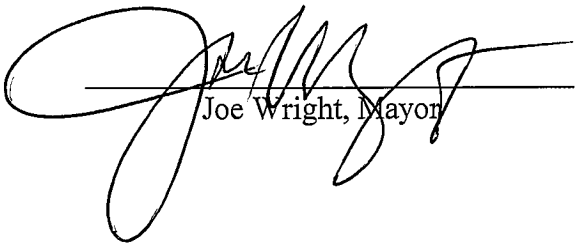
MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS: None

COMMENTS: Councilor Templin said he would like to see the council meetings, including the special meetings on TV. Mr. Templin also lamented the layoffs and wanted to find alternative forms of revenue for the city in an effort to prevent future layoffs.

Councilor Bell, Pence, Stewart and Barton had no comments.

Councilor Jennings thanked the people whom he had previously encouraged to vote for showing up at the polls and voting. As promised he then gave a basketball update and encouraged people to support our Beech Grove teams.

Councilor Jennings motioned to adjourn. Councilor Stewart seconded the motion, which was approved by voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 P.M.



Joe Wright, Mayor



Chris Duffer, Clerk-Treasurer