

TOWN HALL MEETING

June 27, 2018

A Town Hall Meeting of the City of Fayetteville, Texas was held on Wednesday, June 27th, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Center Meeting Room. Those present to witness were Mayor Stephen Cushing, Councilperson Julia Stroup, Mayor Pro tem Steve Pavlicek, Councilpersons Amy Nini and Michelle Crisler, and City Secretary Janice Wasut. Councilman Bradley Girndt was absent. Also 36 visitors attended.

Mayor Cushing opened the Town Hall meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and welcomed visitors.

Mayor Cushing announced that this is a Town Hall Meeting and there will be no formal actions taken by Council at this time. Town Hall Meetings will be held every Quarter and next meeting will have an agenda.

Numerous citizens spoke on a variety of subjects including but not limited to:

Manhole cover on North Church and 159 needs repair. On striping the Square material is same as highways and needs to be swept before striping – Mayor Cushing responded that this will be addressed at the next council meeting. A disruptive truck tearing up on the Square and in town driving very unruly. Police protection for Fayetteville – Mayor Cushing responded that he has spoken to TxDOT to provide coverage the city and the council decided not to hire a full-time Marshal. Councilperson Stroup states she is putting together a working safety group to see what the city could afford and this will be addressed in the next budget cycle. Traffic may be an issue but crime is not here in Fayetteville and wants Fayetteville to be “just like it is”. Status of the grant process of the CAPCOG grant that was applied for last year and the TWDB grant that was also applied for. Councilperson Stroup states she has no information on these grants. Mayor Cushing has not heard about these grants and if we are approved to receive these grants. Councilman Pavlicek states these grants were already approved by city council to proceed with Langford and Weishuhn. Items discussed at the previous Town Hall Meeting: Any progress made to work on Ground Storage Tank #2 – Mayor Cushing will get with Billy. Rock been on a pile for 14 months what is the city going to do with it? Street signs need to be put up – Mayor Cushing states they have been found and will be put up. Trees need to be trimmed and still has not been addressed at council. No thru trucks signs – Councilperson Stroup asked where the signs are – Mayor Cushing states he will get with Billy to get signs up. Questioned council if they had seen the letter from Don Codenys, Building Inspector regarding the previous council meeting agenda item of Terri McPherson addressing the council. Councilperson Stroup states there is no process for Building Permits and there has been errors on previous permits – Mayor Cushing states mistakes were made on both sides on these permits and he will address this after the meeting. If work is started before a permit is pulled or if permit is after 5pm should be double and this was not followed through. Need to focus on Fayetteville improving and need to work together. Unless you have lived here for 100 years or are Czech or German you are not accepted and this needs to stop. Joe’s Place grease trap issue still not resolved. Oma’s will progress with or without the city’s assistance whether the city gets the Ag grant or not. A suggestion that the council invite a business or two each meeting to introduce themselves and share information on their business – Councilperson Stroup asks that if any business has a sale please send to city to be advertised on the City’s FaceBook page. Personal attacks do not do anyone any good. Treat everyone the same. Big trucks and oversized loads needs to be addressed – Mayor Cushing states he has talked with TxDOT and they would be out here if the sidewalks be trimmed back so they could pull over large trucks. Police presence needs to be addressed before a tragic event happens. A suggestion made for the mayor to look over the Joe’s Place case paperwork. Mayor Cushing states the city is evaluating the grant for delivering water service to where Oma’s is planning on building and this grant will also significantly improve service to others on that side of town. Lions Club gave seven \$1000 scholarships to graduates this year. Everyone, businesses and individuals, need to be treated the same way by the city on permits, historic permits, inspections, and ordinances. Fayetteville needs to stay Fayetteville and not become a “Round Top”. Fayetteville needs to work on bringing new businesses to town. Mayor Cushing states he is hoping that the Building Code Guidelines will be posted on the website soon. B & B permits. Where HOT Tax money goes – Councilperson Stroup states the B & B permit process is to protect the guests to make sure the B & B is up to code. Limit B & Bs so families are able to live in Fayetteville and so the school has more children attending.

Mayor Cushing adjourned meeting, time 8:18 p.m.

Stephen Cushing, Mayor

Respectfully by:

Janice Wasut, City Secretary