MINUTES OF THE CROCKETT CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 18th DAY OF MAY 2020 IN THE CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS, LOCATED AT 200 NORTH FIFTH IN THE CITY OF CROCKETT, HOUSTON COUNTY TEXAS AT 2:00 P.M.

THE COUNCIL MET IN SPECIAL SESSION WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: IANTHIA FISHER, DARRELL JONES, ERNEST JACKSON, & MIKE MARSH. CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT: CITY ADMINISTRATOR JOHN ANGERSTEIN, CITY SECRETARY MITZI THOMPSON, POLICE CHIEF CLAYTON SMITH AND CAPTAIN JUSTIN BRENT. MICHAEL CALVERT & MARQUITA BEASLEY PRESENT BY VIDEO CONFERENCE

1. OPEN MEETING WITH INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Mayor Fisher called the formal session open. Council member Jackson gave the invocation and all joined in the pledge.

2. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Mayor Fisher recognized all visitors present.

3. COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE OR COUNCIL (At this time, anyone will be allowed to speak on City related matters only; no personnel matters or matters under litigation will be allowed. The length of time may not exceed three minutes. NO Council discussion or action may take place on a matter until such matter has been placed on an agenda and posted in accordance with law.)

City Administrator Angerstein updated council on several projects – street department currently working on Rose & Labelle Streets, the water department is transferring residents to new water line in Nottingham Woods, work continues on the civic center and the pool. All City offices are fully operational with all staff coming in to work. Parks are open with the exception of playground equipment and pavilions. The Census deadline has been extended to October 31 and enumerators are expected to be back in the field August through October.

4. ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE TO COUNCIL MEMBERS

City Administrator Angerstein administered the Oath of Office to Ernest Jackson and Marquita Beasley.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: SPECIAL SESSION – MARCH 23, 2020 & APRIL 9, 2020

Mayor Pro Tem Marsh made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 23, 2020 & April 9, 2020 Special Meetings. Council member Jones seconded the motion. Motion passes 5-0.

6. POLICE DEPARTMENT MANPOWER & CRIMINAL INCIDENT REPORT FOR APRIL 2020 Chief Smith reported for the month of April 2020; 13 total manpower, 2082 total manpower hours, 413 total calls and 8 total accidents. A breakdown of the criminal reports is included in the packets.

7. FIRE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY ACTIVITY AND STATUS REPORT FOR APRIL 2020

Captain Brent reported for the month of April the following: 36 total calls. A breakdown is included in the packets.

8. CONSIDER AND APPROVE AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING MAXIMUM SPEEDS OF MOTOR VEHICLES IN CERTAIN AREAS AS DESIGNATED ON US 287 NORTH FROM THE CITY LIMITS TO SH 21

Council member Jackson made a motion to approve an Ordinance establishing maximum speeds of motor vehicles in certain areas as designated on US 287 north from the city limits to SH 21 shall be as follows:

From Crockett North City Limits south to Loop 304 north, approximately 0.388 miles, the speed limit shall be fifty (50) miles per hour in either direction.

From LP 304 north to a point approximately 0.637 miles south of LP 304 north, the speed limit shall be forty (40) miles per hour in either direction.

From 0.637 miles south of LP 304 north to a point approximately 1.344 miles south at SH 21, the speed limit shall be thirty (30) miles per hour in either direction.

Council member Jones seconded the motion. Motion passes 5-0.

9. CONSIDER AND APPROVE AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CROCKETT, TEXAS, ADDING ARTICLE IX, OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLES, TO CHAPTER 14, MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, OF THE CROCKETT CODE; PROHIBITING THE OPERATION OF UNREGISTERED OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLES ON PUBLIC STREETS, ROADS AND HIGHWAYS WITHIN THE CITY; PROVIDING EXCEPTIONS; REQUIRING SAFETY APPAREL; PROVIDING A PENALTY; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; CONTAINING A REPEALING CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Council member Jones made a motion to approve an Ordinance of the City of Crockett, Texas, adding Article IX, off-highway vehicles, to Chapter 14, motor vehicles and traffic, of the Crockett Code; prohibiting the operation of unregistered off-highway vehicles on public streets, roads and highways within the city; providing exceptions; requiring safety apparel; providing a penalty; providing a severability clause; containing a repealing clause; and providing an effective date. Council member Jackson seconded the motion. Motion passes 4-0. (Council member Calvert logged out of meeting.)

10. REVIEW PROPOSALS FROM MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE CONTRACTORS AND APPROVE AUTHORIZING CITY ADMINISTRATOR

JOHN ANGERSTEIN TO ENTER INTO NEGOTIATIONS FOR A CONTRACT TO PROVIDE COLLECTION OF RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL SOLID WASTE

City Council reviewed proposals from the following contractors: Ameri-Tex Services, Piney Woods Sanitation and Waste Connections. After discussion and review, Council member Jones made a motion to approve authorizing City Administrator John Angerstein to enter into negotiations for a contract to provide collection of residential and commercial solid waste with Piney Woods Sanitation. Council member Jackson seconded the motion. Motion passes 4-0.

11. CONSIDER AND APPROVE AUTHORIZING MAYOR FISHER TO SUBMIT CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND APPLICATION TO TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND AUTHORIZING MAYOR FISHER TO ACT AS THE CITY'S CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND DESIGNATED SIGNATORY IN ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE CITY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE PROGRAM

Council member Jackson made a motion to approve authorizing Mayor Fisher to submit Coronavirus Relief Fund application to Texas Department of Emergency Management and authorizing Mayor Fisher to act as the City's Chief Executive Officer and designated signatory in all matters pertaining to the City's participation in the program. Mayor Pro Tem Marsh seconded the motion. Motion passes 4-0.

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION: GOV. CODE 551.074 – PERSONNEL MATTERS.

CONSIDER ANNUAL PERFORMANCE EVALUATION OF CITY

ADMINISTRATOR

Mayor Fisher stated council would convene into Executive Session according to Gov. Code 551.074 – Personnel Matters: Consider Annual Performance Evaluation of City Administrator. Time was 3:02 P.M.

13. RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION AND CONSIDER ACTION IF ANY ON ITEM NO. 12

Council reconvened into open session at 4:04 P.M. Mayor Pro Tem Marsh made a motion to approve Mayor Fisher signing amendment to Mr. Angersteins employment contract. Council member Jones seconded the motion. Motion passes 4-0.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Without objection, Mayor Fisher adjourned the meeting at 4:05 P.M

Dr. Ianthia Fisher, May

ATTEST:

Mitzi Thompson, City Secretary