

**MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING
OF THE CITY COMMISSIONS OF**

**TOWN OF BROCK, TEXAS
TOWN OF BROCK WEST, TEXAS
TOWN OF DENNIS, TEXAS**

JULY 26, 2017

Meeting date: July 26, 2017 at 6:30 PM at the Brock ISD High School Lecture Hall.

BROCK ATTENDEES: Mayor Bill Cooper and Commissioner Maureen Kenney.
Commissioner Troy Snow was absent.

BROCK WEST ATTENDEES: Mayor Jay Hamilton, Commissioner Scott Drillette and
Commissioner Matthew Heistermann. None absent.

DENNIS ATTENDEES: Mayor James Synowsky, Commissioner John McCarthy and
Commissioner Rick Jeanes. None absent.

OTHER ATTENDEES: Towns' Attorney, Sharon Hicks.

1. CALL TO ORDER

- a. Brock Mayor Cooper called the Brock Commission meeting to order at 6:37 and acknowledged a quorum was present.
- b. Brock West Mayor Hamilton called the Brock West Commission meeting to order at 6:38 and acknowledged a quorum was present.
- c. Dennis Mayor Synowsky called the Dennis Commission meeting to order at 6:38 and acknowledged a quorum was present.

2. INVOCATION

- a. Mayor Cooper led the invocation.

3. PLEDGE

- a. Mayor Cooper led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. REGULAR AGENDA

- a. Approval of Minutes of Joint June 12, 2017 Meeting (by all) and the June 19, 2017 town hall meeting (Brock and Dennis only)

- i. **Brock:** Commissioner Kenney moved for approval of both the June 12, 2017 meeting and the June 19, 2017 town hall meeting and Mayor *Cooper*

~~Commissioner Snow~~ seconded. Motion carried.

AYES: Mayor Cooper, Commissioner Kenney ~~and Snow~~

NAYES: None

ii. **Brock West**: Commissioner Heistermann moved for approval of the June 12, 2017 meeting and Commissioner Drillette seconded. Motion carried.
AYES: Mayor Hamilton, Commissioners Heistermann & Drillette
NAYES: None

iii. **Dennis**: Commissioner McCarthy moved for approval of both the June 12, 2017 meeting and the June 19, 2017 town hall meeting and Commissioner Jeanes seconded. Motion carried.
AYES: Mayor Synowsky, Commissioners McCarthy and Jeanes
NAYES: None

- b. Discussion and possible action regarding Brock, Brock West and Dennis each adopting the powers of a Type A general-law municipality pursuant to Local Government Code Chapter 51, Section 51.052 based on greater than \$500,000 of assessed valuation. This item was pulled from the agenda by Attorney Sharon Hicks. No action was taken.
- c. Discussion and possible action on holding regular election of officials beginning in November 2017 or May 2018. Based on information received from the State Elections Office, it was determined that elections would begin in November 2017.

Attorney Hicks requested approval of Ordinance 2017-07-26.1 calling for a general election to elect mayor and two commissioners for each town for November 7, 2017.

i. **Brock**: Mayor Cooper moved to approve Ordinance 2017-07-26.1 and Commissioner Kenney seconded Motion carried.
AYES: Mayor Cooper, Commissioner Kenney
NAYES: None

ii. **Brock West**: Commissioner Heistermann moved to approve Ordinance 2017-07-26.1 and Commissioner Drillette seconded. Motion carried.
AYES: Mayor Hamilton, Commissioners Heistermann & Drillette
NAYES: None

iii. **Dennis**: Commissioner McCarthy moved to approve Ordinance 2017-07-26.1 and Commissioner Jeanes seconded. Motion carried.
AYES: Mayor Synowsky, Commissioners McCarthy and Jeanes
NAYES: None

- d. Discussion and possible action calling a special election for November 7, 2017 to adopt a not to exceed 1.5% sales tax in the towns of Brock, Brock West and Dennis.

Attorney Hicks briefed the towns on the options they had under the law relating to sales tax. Hicks requested approval of Ordinance 2017-07-26.2 calling for an election to adopt a 1.5% sales tax in each of the towns and contracting with the Parker County Elections Office to administer the election.

- i. **Brock**: Mayor Cooper moved to approve Ordinance 2017-07-26.2 and Commissioner Kenney seconded. Motion carried.

AYES: Mayor Cooper, Commissioner Kenney

NAYES: None

- ii. **Brock West**: Commissioner Drillette moved to approve Ordinance 2017-07-26.2 and Commissioner Heistermann seconded. Motion carried.

AYES: Mayor Hamilton, Commissioners Heistermann & Drillette

NAYES: None

- iii. **Dennis**: Took no action.

- e. Discussion and possible action on revenue generating items with the towns of Brock, Brock West and Dennis.
Dennis Commissioner Jeanes presented a slide presentation on revenue sources for towns in Texas. Attorney Hicks will work with Commissioner Jeanes and one commissioner or Mayor from the other towns to negotiate a franchise fees with entities using the towns' rights of way. No action taken.
- f. Discussion and possible action authorizing a zoning map to be prepared and establishing zoning requirements in the towns of Brock, Brock West and Dennis.

Official town maps are still being prepared by surveyor. Attorney Hicks discussed option relating to zoning.

- i. **Brock**: Mayor Cooper moved to table moving forward with zoning at this time and Commissioner Kenney seconded Motion carried.

AYES: Mayor Cooper, Commissioner Kenney

NAYES: None

- ii. **Brock West**: Commissioner Heistermann moved to proceed looking at PDD zoning and Commissioner Drillette seconded. Motion carried.

AYES: Mayor Hamilton, Commissioners Heistermann & Drillette

NAYES: None

- iii. **Dennis**: Commissioner McCarthy moved to table and Commissioner Jeanes seconded. Motion carried.

AYES: Mayor Synowsky, Commissioners McCarthy and Jeanes

NAYES: None

- g. Discussion and possible action on holding town hall meetings to discuss needs and wants of constituents.
Future agendas will include public comment and town hall meetings will be set as needed. No action taken.

- h. Discussion and possible action on consolidating Brock and Brock West into Brock.

Mayors Cooper and Hamilton and Commissioner Drillette discussed that the plan had always been to consolidate the towns. To proceed by petition, 100 signatures from each town would need to be obtained. Discussion included attempting to obtain signatures for the November 2017 ballot since an election had already been called but if not enough time was available, to consider it for the May 2018 election.

- i. **Brock:** Mayor Cooper moved to try to obtain signatures to hold a consolidation election on November 7, 2017 and Commissioner Kenney seconded Motion carried.

AYES: Mayor Cooper, Commissioner Kenney

NAYES: None

- ii. **Brock West:** Commissioner Drillette moved to try to obtain signatures to hold a consolidation election on November 7, 2017 and Commissioner Heistermann seconded. Motion carried.

AYES: Mayor Hamilton, Commissioners Heistermann & Drillette

NAYES: None

- i. Discussion and possible action on potential future voluntary annexations. Forms will be provided to mayors should people desire to proceed with voluntary annexations. NO action taken.

5. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a. Future Meetings –no discussion
b. New Official Training –reminder to turn in forms
c. Budget Planning and Planning – Commissions will begin thinking on budget needs

6. ADJOURNMENT

- a. **Brock:** Motion to Adjourn by Mayor Cooper seconded by Commissioner Kenney. Motion carried unanimously. Brock adjourned at 8:05 pm.
b. **Brock West:** Motion to Adjourn by Commissioner Heistermann seconded by Commissioner Drillette. Motion carried unanimously. Brock West adjourned at 8:06 pm.
c. **Dennis:** Motion to Adjourn by Commissioner McCarthy seconded by Commissioner Jeanes. Motion carried unanimously. Dennis adjourned at 8:07 pm.

Lisa Bellamy, Town Clerk



Mayor Cooper for Brock

Lisa Bellamy, Town Clerk



Mayor Hamilton for Brock West

Lisa Bellamy, Town Clerk

Mayor Synowsky for Dennis