

SPECIAL MEETING
BUDGET WORKSHOP
MARCH 15, 2010
8 AM

Mayor absent due to doctor's appointment; all other Council present. Several visitors.

Mayor Pro tem Mahaffey called the meeting to order.

Councilman Johnson led in prayer.

Omelia Harris explained to the group that a decision had been made to not involve Kops Kids in the Antique Bike Rally. She told them that a charity would not be named, that they would not charge for anything, and would like a decision on their request because they could not wait another month.

Councilwoman Dawkins said that she would like to set up another meeting so it could be viewed on camera. She made the motion to wait until the Mayor was back to take a vote; Councilman Pye second. Councilman Johnson stated that he would like to go ahead with the requested amount and make the decision because they needed to start making plans now. Mayor Pro tem Mahaffey stated that he would like them to have it, but since the vote was two to two, it would have to be rescheduled for another meeting. The date of March 23 at 5 pm was set.

Mayor Pro tem Mahaffey gave the information about the ice machine to the group. Councilman Johnson made the motion, Councilman Pye second to purchase the ice machine to use for events, from Hospitality Tax. Unanimous.

Chief Smith told the group that he had made the request to withdraw the Kops Kids from the Bike Rally for several reasons. He stated that from now on, he would go through the Planning Commission before he did any kind of event so they could be a part of it.

Councilwoman Dawkins stated that the Planning Commission needed to be involved in anything the City did.

Councilman Pye stated that he was concerned about them not being included.

Alfred Dawkins stated that from now on, any events in the park that he was a part of would go through the Planning Commission.

The 2011 budget draft was presented to Council by the Administrator, explaining that this was just a draft. Several questions were answered, and the group set the next budget

workshop at 6 PM on April 23.

The Administrator asked if the City could go ahead with the re-naming of the portion of McKinney Street going to the plant to the “Jerry Copeland Avenue” and have a Jerry Copeland Day in the City. Mayor Pro tem Mahaffey stated that he would like to do a proclamation and present it to the family at the street site.

Councilman Pye made the motion to proceed with the plan; Councilwoman Dawkins second. Unanimous. Motion carried.

Councilman Pye made the motion to adjourn; Councilwoman Dawkins second. Unanimous. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Hood
Administrator