MINUTES
CITY OF MELISSA CITY COUNCIL
WORKSESSION
TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 2011
6:30 P.M.

ITEM #1
Mayor Reed Greer called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ITEM #2
Council members present were: Sharon Weideman, Jill Fitch, Bill Farmer, Dan Trott and Kim Youngblood.

Others present: Dan Sefko, Freese and Nichols.

ITEM #3
Mr. Dan Sefko of Freese and Nichols reviewed the current Comprehensive Plan and south input as to how the City wants to go forward with the implementation of an updated plan.

Some of the suggestions to look at were:

1. Utilize Smart Code
2. Update Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance to allow more diverse residential lot sizes.
3. Readdress values.
4. Have a work session to evaluate what the City wants to see in its Comprehensive Plan.
5. Perhaps survey citizens to see what they want for the City.

ITEM #4
Discussion was held regarding the direction Council wants to go with the Barker House. The report submitted by Norman Alston, Architect, was reviewed.

The City Administrator was asked to come back to the Council with answers to the following:

1. The original purchase price of the house.
2. Possible range of lease rates
3. Market Value of the house
4. Examples of 501C3’s in the area
5. Other cities who own historic structures

A future meeting will be held to determine best options to create the Barker House as a functioning site.

ITEM #5
Council discussed implementation of a licensing agreement for use of City owned properties. Council stated that they were in agreement with adopting this type of agreement and asked that it be placed on a future agenda.
ITEM #6
Jason Little informed the Council that it is necessary to have a TIF Board meeting in May. He stated that the three board members up for re-appointment had been polled and that David Dorman asked that he not be reconsidered. Harold Holigan and Doug Zadow have asked that they be considered for reappointment.

It was agreed that the interview process would be applied to the TIF board members the same as it was for the other City boards. Council was asked to be thinking of anyone they would like to submit for consideration to serve on the board. A meeting will be scheduled for interviews of those people.

Motion was made by Sharon Weideman and seconded by Jill Fitch to adjourn at 7:50 p.m.

Reed Greer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Linda P. Bannister, City Secretary