

CITY OF WINONA
Regular City Council Meeting
520 Dallas St. Winona, TX
Tuesday July 16th, 2019

MINUTES

On this 16th day of July 2019 the Winona City Council convened at the Community Center located at 520 Dallas St, Winona, Texas at 6:30 pm in a Regular City Council Meeting. The meeting was open to the public and the following were present:

Members Present: Mayor Curtis Land, Mayor Pro-Tem Dee Roden, Alderman Craig Attaway, Alderman Terry Cole, Alderman Karen Hysell

Members Absent: None

Guest Present: Chude Mucems, Greg Bowen, Mike Danapas, Michael Sebring, Ronnie Pilcher, Zachary Allen, Donna Royal, Elizabeth Anderson, Gerald Anderson, Allen Wells, Josh Joplin, Dennis McKee

A. CALL TO ORDER

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

Roll Call. Public notice of this meeting has been given and a quorum is present.

B. INVOCATION

At this time Mayor Curtis Land asked everyone to observe in the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

C. VISITORS OPEN FORUM

Guest spoke at this time. Josh Joplin spoke on rules and regulations to follow during council meetings and Dennis McKee spoke regarding the vacant Alderman Seat.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. June 18th, 2019 Regular Minutes.

Motion was made by Alderman Karen Hysell to approve the June 18th, 2019 Regular minutes and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Dee Roden.

All in favor; none opposed; Motion carried unanimously.

E. APPROVAL OF FINANCIALS:

1. Approval of June 2019 Financials

Motion was made to table the June 2019 financials by Alderman Terry Cole and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Dee Roden.

All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

F. MONTHLY REPORTS OR UPDATES:

Utility Department

Mayor Curtis Land updated council on utility department projects throughout the month.

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1. Park

Updated on the fall surface for the swing area.

G. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS:

1. Discussion and possible action on FirstNet services available for the City of Winona and area 1st Responders.

Presented by Gerald Anderson and Allen Wells. Council did not make any motions at this time.

2. Discussion and possible action for a variety of topics on our sewer pond needs & repairs for acceptance: SEP Compliance application from Gary Burton, possible merging with another utility in order to become compliance approved by TCEQ with no further violations, and discussion on how this could affect our sewer rates, employee needs, plus long term with a potential sewer rate increase.

Presentation was made by Gary Burton to bring the new council up to speed on current standing with the sewer treatment facility and its needs. Motion was made to hold a Town Hall meeting on July 23rd at 6pm by Alderman Terry Cole and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Dee Roden.

All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Discussion and possible action on amendments and adjustments to 2018-2019 operating budget.

Discussion combined with #4 discussion.

4. Discussion and possible action to set up a budget workshop for the 2019-2020 budget.

Motion was made to have a budget workshop on August 6th at 6 pm by Alderman Terry Cole and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Dee Roden.

All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Discussion and possible action to cancel the July 20th park workday.

Motion was made to cancel the July 20th park workday by Alderman Terry Cole and seconded by Alderman Karen Hysell.

All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously

6. Discussion and possible action to approve the Smith County 911 budget.

Motion was made to approve by Alderman Terry Cole and seconded by Alderman Karen Hysell.

All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

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H. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The City Council reserves the right to convene into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above, as authorized by the Texas Open Meeting Act, Government Code, Section 551.071 (Consult with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personal Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices), and 551.087 (Economic Development). This session is discussion only and any decisions made during this discussion will be mentioned and voted upon once reconvened into regular session.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Terry Cole made the motion to adjourn this meeting at 7:56 pm.

Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Dee Roden.

All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

With no other business to come before the council this meeting was adjourned.

Curtis Land, Mayor

Deana Powell, City Secretary