

Minutes Regular City Council Meeting

CITY OF WOLFE CITY

August 14, 2023

Regular Session Minutes 6:00 p.m.

1.Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Mayor Jamie Moore @ 6:00 pm

2. City Council Roll Call to determine quorum

Roll call by City Secretary, Sondra LaFavers

Present: Anthony Cruz, Amy Pickering, Joel Hodge, Deana Williams, Betty Malone

All present A quorum was determined to be present

3. Invocation

Invocation by Anthony Cruz

- 4. Pledge of Allegiance
- 5. Swear in newly appointed WCPD Chief

J. Miguel Gonzalez was sworn in by City Secretary, Sondra LaFavers, to serve as the new Chief of Police for the Wolfe City Police Department.

6. Presentations

No presentations

- 7. Citizens to be Heard The City Council invites citizens to address the Council on any topic not already scheduled for a Public Hearing. Citizens wishing to speak must sign in on the available sheet prior to the meeting. Speakers are limited to 3 minutes and should conduct themselves in a civil manner. In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, the City Council cannot take action on items not listed on the agenda. However, your concerns will be addressed by City Staff; they may be placed on a future agenda or may be addressed by some other course of response.
 - #1 Natalie Smith addressed the city council with her concerns of Mockingbird. The street is in need of major repairs. Residents are having trouble entering and exiting their properties. There are several elderly residents on this street that need assistance due to the condition of the streets. This street will be assessed, and the Street Committee will present a plan for repairs.
 - #2 Danny Pate addressed the city council about his concern of speeding on Hanna St. He would like to see more Stop signs installed to try to slow down the traffic. He suggested that we put in speed bumps, which has been denied in the past. This item will be investigated and see what can be done. Place on September Agenda.

- #3 Kennedy Duri with Duri Properties address the city council about his proposal to extend Austin Street South of Turner St. He asked if the city would have any incentives for him to fund this project. He is wanting to build 4 houses along this extension, as well as on San Antonio where he has already built 1 new home. This item will be placed on the September Agenda.
- 8. Approve/accept Consent Calendar

City Council Meeting Minutes – Regular Meeting July 10, 2023; Special Meeting July 17, 2023; Special Meeting July 31, 2023

Motion by Anthony Cruz to approve the consent calendar

2nd by Betty Malone All in favor Motion passed

9. Approve/accept City Staff/City Council Reports or Proposed Agenda Items (Non-agenda items may only be discussed by Councilmembers if the Councilmembers do so for the purpose of proposing that those items be placed on a future agenda.)

Police Department Report; Court Clerk/Water Clerk report. Public Works Dept., including work order report. City Secretary report & financial reports; Mayor's reports

Motion by Deana Williams to approve the City Staff reports as presented

2nd by Betty Malone All in favor Motion passed

10. City Council Discussion

A. Discussion and/or action for WCEDC Mid-Year Report given by Cody Cox.

WCEDC mid-Year Report was presented by Russell Hill, Secretary of the WCEDC

No Action

B. Discussion and/or action to establish a road committee to prioritize drainage road repair and pothole repairs utilizing the street fund.

Motion by Anthony Cruz to appoint Betty Malone and Joel Hodge to head up the road/street committee.

2nd by Deana Williams All in favor Motion passed

The road/street committee will present a plan in September and have possible citizen nominations to work on this committee.

C. Discussion and/or action to appoint a water committee.

Motion by Deana Williams to appoint a water committee of Deana Williams, Amy Pickering and Betty Malone

2nd by Betty Malone All in favor Motion passed

D. Discussion and/or action to approve the proposed 2023 Tax Rate

Motion by Betty Malone to approve the proposed 2023 Tax Rate of \$0.540931

2nd by Amy Pickering All in favor Motion passed

E. Discussion and/or action to approve PTO policy for City of Wolfe City.

Motion by Betty Malone to have the City Attorney, Aaron Huddleston, to draft the new PTO policy to be approved at the upcoming special meeting on Friday, August 18, 2023

2nd by Deana Williams All in favor Motion passed

F. Discussion of proposed FY2024 financial budget

Discussion - No action

11. Executive Session

Motion to adjourn into Executive session by Betty Malone

Entered Executive Session @ 7:23 pm

A. Section 551.071 (1) & (2) Consultation with City Attorney on any regular session agenda item requiring confidential, attorney/client advice necessitated by the deliberation or discussion of said items (as needed). Daniel Ray, City Attorney

B. Section 551.071 – seek advice from City Attorney about pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, or any matter in which the duty of the attorney to the City Council under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act; Overdue Utility Accounts; Status update and legal advice on Shawn Lucas pending litigation - Daniel Ray, City Attorney

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D. As permitted by Texas Government Code §551.071 (1) and (2), Consult with Attorney Concerning any Pending or Contemplated Litigation, by or against Wolfe City, and/or discussion of Firefly lawsuit settlement and American Safety litigation–Daniel Ray, City Attorney

E. Govt. Code §551.074 – discuss/deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluations, or dismissal of City Employees, compensation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or city employee with respect to payroll and contract labor considerations.

F. Govt. Code §551.072 - deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the city negotiations with respect to city utility lines.

Reconvene into regular session @ 7:28 pm

12. Take action on any item discussed in Executive Session

No action

13. Discussion of take aways and assigned tasks.

Sondra LaFavers - schedule special meeting time for Friday, August 18, 2023 and notify council members.

Aaron Huddleston - Draft new PTO policy and send to City Secretary for council packets.

14. NEXT MEETING DATE - September 11, 2023

15. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Anthony Cruz

2nd by Deana Williams

All in favor

Meeting adjourned @ 7:30 pm

Sondra La Favers, City Secretary