



CITY OF WINTERS, TEXAS
310 S. MAIN ST. WINTERS, TX
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

May 22, 2023, 6:00 p.m.

Call meeting to order. The meeting was called to order and a quorum was established. In attendance were Mark Burkhart, Mayor; Ken Slimp, City Attorney; Alderwoman Ursula Estrada, Alderwoman Ida Rodriguez, Alderwoman Zan Jamieson, Alderman Jimmy Butler and Alderman Mike Neal.

Pledge of Allegiance -US and Texas Flag

Alderwoman Zan Jamieson lead the prayer.

Agenda Item 1. Community Input.

Agenda Item 2. Approval of Minutes from April 24,2023. Alderwoman Ida Rodriguez made a motion to approve the minutes from April 24,2023. Alderwoman Ursula Estrada seconded the motion, all in favor. Motion carried. Ayes 5, Noes 0.

Agenda Item 3. Department Reports:

*City Secretary: Sheila Lincoln

* Atmos Rider GCR -Rate Filing for May 2023. No discussion.

* Water Department: Supervisor, Michael Blackshear, not present.

A. Water Usage. No discussion.

B. Sewer Status- CDBG Sewer Project status. Application status for the sludge pits, TCEQ exit interview status relating to unauthorized discharge. City secretary, Sheila Lincoln noted that the application had been completed and signed and submitted to TCEQ.

C. Projects, New/ Ongoing. Repairs of Sedimentation Tank Leak, Status of Raw Water Pump at Lake, Status of the city's sewer line re-route proposal in relation to the Cobblestone. Update on Circle Dr. drainage issue. Sage Diller with e-HT is working on the drainage issue at Circle Drive and on the re-route for the sewer line with the builders at Cobblestone. No discussion.

*Street Department: Supervisor, David Lara, no discussion.

A. Projects

*Police Department: Chief Paula Geyer. Chief Geyer had no discussion but stated that the department will soon be two (2) officers down as they had both given notice and taken better paying positions elsewhere.

A. Statistics

*Code Enforcement: Bobby Sanders stated he had sent one hundred eighty-five (185) regular letters, thirty-three (33) certified letters and has twenty-seven (27) pending or without response.

A. Animal Control – he had six (6) dogs, two (2) cats, one (1) citation and six (6) incident reports.

B. Citation Statistics- he stated that he had two (2) code enforcement and an abatement and cleaned a property.

*City Judge: Greg Nichols stated he is still learning but is figuring it out.

A. Citation Statistics. There have been four hundred forty-five this year and one hundred sixty-five (165) this month. The number one offense is speeding. Mr. Nichols will be attending judge's school in July in Austin, TX.

*Airport Manager: Richard Humphrey. Mr. Humphrey stated that he is looking into bids for the lights at the airport, he states he has found a fifty percent (50%) match grant for this project. He states that his

A. Projects- Model Airport Rules and Regulations. Mr. Humphrey stated that individuals are no longer allowed to use airport hangars as storage for anything other than aviation. If allowed to use otherwise the city could lose grant monies.

B. Events. N/A.

Agenda Item 4. Approval of Bills. Alderwoman Ursula Estrada made a motion to pay the bills, Alderwoman Zan Jamieson seconded the motion, all in favor. Motion carried. Ayes 5, Noes 0.

Agenda Item 5. Council's Report:

A. Mission, Vision, and Goal Setting. Alderman Jimmy Butler went over status that were discussed in the budget workshop held on 05/20/2023.

Agenda Item 6. Old Business:

A. Notice of Tax Abatement Agreement from Judge Julia Miller to be put before the Runnels County Commissioner's Court, May 23, 2023. Discussion only. No discussion.

Agenda Item 7. New Business:

A. At the discretion of the Council, Closed Session – Section 551.087 Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations.


1) Cobblestone, Winters Hotel Group. The council went into executive session at 6:13 p.m.

B. Reconvene in open session. The council reconvened in open session at 6:41 p.m.

C. Discussion and possible action regarding Closed Session. There was no discussion or action taken from executive session.

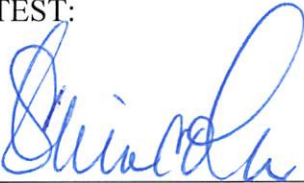
- D. Consider and take possible action to adopt an amended Tax Abatement Policy to allow ten (10) years. No discussion. No action.
- E. Consider and take possible action to put a hold on bulk water sales to the public until lake levels rise. Alderwoman Ida Rodriguez made a motion to hold bulk water sales until lake levels rise and the raw water pump is replaced, and water issues are resolved. Alderwoman Ursula Estrada seconded the motion. Alderwoman Zan Jamieson made a motion to amend original motion to include to resume bulk water sales when lake levels rise to an acceptable level per council. Alderman Mike Neal seconded the motion., all in favor. Motion carried. Ayes 5, Noes 0.
- F. Consider and take possible action to approve the quote from Dell Technologies for Chromebooks for the city council. Alderman Mike Neal stated he did not think it to be good practice to make a decision on this without more than one quote. The council will decide specs and get to Ms. Lincoln for future quotes. Item tabled.

Agenda Item 8. Adjourn. Alderwoman Ursula Estrada made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Alderman Jimmy Butler seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried, and meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m. Ayes 5, Noes 0.



Mark Burkhart, Mayor

ATTEST:



Sheila Lincoln, City Secretary

