

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

January 22, 2024

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Ray Schultz
Mayor Pro tem Lori Shierry
Councilwoman Stephanie Wooten
Councilman Randall Barker and Jeff Pogatshnik

MEMBERS ABSENT: Councilwoman Sherrie Williams

PERSONNEL: Jerry Flemming, City Manager
Steve Davis, Police Chief
Mike McCarty, Public Works Director
Jason Griffin, Parks and Recreation Director
David Owen, Economic Development Director
Becky Ferguson, Director of Finance
Amie Schultz, Library Director
Janice Newman, City Secretary

VISITORS: Valerie Halverson Jesse James
Bill Humphrey

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: Call to Order.

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: Invocation.

The Mayor gave the invocation.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: Recognition of Special Guest(s)/Action(s).

There were no recognitions at this time.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: Citizens' Input.

No individuals registered to participate in the citizens' input.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: General Consent.

- A. Acceptance and Approval of the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of January 8, 2024.
- B. Acceptance and Approval of the Minutes of the Special City Council Meeting of January 15, 2024.

C. Acceptance and Approval of the Minutes of the Economic Development Corporation's Board of Directors' Meeting of January 9, 2024.

D. Acceptance and Approval of the Minutes of the Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting of January 16, 2024.

Motion was made by Councilman Barker and seconded by Councilwoman Shierry accepting and approving the general consent agenda as presented. Motion carried with four ayes. (Unanimous)

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: Resolution.

A. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Iowa Park, Texas Accepting the Audit Report From MWH Group P.C. for the Municipal Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2022 and Ending September 30, 2023, and Approving Payment of the Invoice for Said Audit.

Ms. Valerie Halverson, Senior Auditor with MWH Group, P.C., briefed the Council on the recently completed audit for fiscal year 2022/2023. She stated it was a smooth audit without any major issues. As in the past, she noted there was deficiency in internal control that is due to the small size of the office staff. At year end, the City was financially sound. Motion was made by Councilwoman Shierry and seconded by Councilman Pogatshnik approving and adopting Resolution Number 24-02 accepting the audit From MWH Group P.C. for the municipal fiscal year beginning October 1, 2022, and ending September 30, 2023, and approving payment of the invoice for said audit. Motion carried with four ayes. (Unanimous)

B. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Iowa Park, Texas Designating the Burkburnett Informer Star as the Official Newspaper for the City of Iowa Park as Provided by the City's Home Rule Charter.

The new newspaper coming to Iowa Park, is owned by the same people who publish the Burkburnett, Vernon and Clay County newspapers. The laws concerning newspapers require a newspaper to be published for one full year before they can publish public notices. The City was told that if public notices were published in the Burkburnett newspaper, they would publish the notices in the Iowa Park paper for free. Motion was made by Councilman Pogatshnik and seconded by Councilman Barker approving and adopting Resolution Number 24-03 designating the Burkburnett Informer Star as the Official Newspaper for the City of Iowa Park as provided by the City's Home Rule Charter. Motion carried with four ayes. (Unanimous)

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: Ordinance.

A. An Ordinance of the City of Iowa Park, Texas Approving the Rezoning of 1151 South FM 368, Also Known as 190 x 336.3

W of Block 1, 1.47 Acres, Garden Valley #1, to the City of Iowa Park, Wichita County, Texas From C-C (Convenience Commercial District) to R-1 (Single-Family Residential District).

This property was the former Amanda's Country Store that is now owned by Stan Mountain who plans to construct several single-family homes. The Planning and Zoning Commission has recommended the Council approve the rezone. Motion was made by Councilman Pogatshnik and seconded by Councilwoman Shierry approving and adopting Ordinance Number 1407 approving the rezone of 1151 South FM 368, also known as 190 x 336.3 W of Block 1, 1.47 acres, Garden Valley #1, to the City of Iowa Park, Wichita County, Texas from C-C (Convenience Commercial District) to R-1 (Single-Family Residential District). Motion carried with four ayes. (Unanimous)

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: City Manager's Report.

- A. Discuss and Consider the Disposal of a Surplus 2011 Ford F-450 Utility Truck (Unit #2100) and a Hyster 194A Forklift (Unit #2900).

Both of these items will be sold through GovDeals.com. Motion was made by Councilwoman Wooten and seconded by Councilman Pogatshnik approving the disposal of a surplus 2011 Ford F-450 utility truck (Unit #2100) and a Hyster 194A Forklift (Unit #2900). Motion carried with four ayes. (Unanimous)

- B. Discuss and Consider a Joint Meeting With the City Council, Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors and the Community Development Corporation Board of Directors.

Motion was made by Councilman Pogatshnik and seconded by Councilwoman Wooten to table this item to allow all Council members to be present to decide date for joint meeting. Motion carried with four ayes. (Unanimous)

- C. Receive a Report on the City's Current Financial Condition and Future Needs as Directed by the Home Rule Charter.

The City Manager stated the property taxes are coming in slowly this year, which is a cause of concern. However, taxes are not due until January 31, 2024. As of December 31, 2023, the General Fund had \$1,029,392.00, while the Utility Fund had \$2,769,507.00. The total of all fund balances, including 4A and 4B Corporations were \$6,309,620.00. Total investments were \$1,551,137.00 in the General Fund, \$804,448.00 in the Utility Fund and \$2,783,560.00 in the Public Safety Facilities Fund.

The meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of February, 2024.

Mayor Ray Schultz

ATTEST:

City Secretary Janice Newman