

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

September 27, 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Ray Schultz
Mayor Pro tem Lori Shierry
Councilmen Jeffrey Pogatshnik and Brad Wynn
Councilwoman Sherrie Williams (via Zoom)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Councilwoman Stephanie Wooten

PERSONNEL: Jerry Flemming, City Manager
David Sherrill, Public Works Director
Steve Davis, Chief of Police
David Owen, Economic Development Director (via Zoom)
Jason Griffin, Parks and Recreation Director
Andy Payne, Fire Chief
Amie Schultz, Library Director
Becky Ferguson, Director of Finance
Mike McCarty, Water/Wastewater Supervisor
Janice Newman, City Secretary

VISITORS: Dolores Hamilton (via zoom)

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: Call to Order.

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 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 September 13, 2021.

- B. Acceptance and Approval of the Minutes of the Special City Council Meeting of September 20, 2021.
- C. Acceptance and Approval of the Minutes of the Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting of September 13, 2021.
- D. Acceptance and Approval of the Minutes of the Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting of September 20, 2021.

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

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: Bid Action.

- A. Discuss and Consider Bids Received for Surplus Property Located at 711 West Highway.

One bid was received as follows:

<u>Name of Bidder</u>	<u>Amount of Bid</u>
Jim Dooley	\$55,000.00

It was noted the minimum bid for this property had been set at \$50,000.00. The City Attorney will prepare a special warranty deed that will require submittal of code compliant site and building plans within twelve months and a building permit within six months of the acceptance of the plans. Motion was made by Councilwoman Shierry and seconded by Councilman Wynn accepting and approving the bid from Jim Dooley in the amount of \$55,000.00. Motion carried with four ayes. (Unanimous)

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: Resolution.

- A. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Iowa Park, Texas Adopting the Operations Budgets for the General Fund and Water and Sewer Fund for Fiscal Year 2021/2022.

The General Fund budget contains \$4,397,790.00 in revenues and expenditures while the Water and Sewer Fund budget contains \$4,219,680.00 in revenues and expenditures. Motion was made by Councilman Pogatshnik and seconded by Councilwoman Shierry approving and adopting Resolution Number 21-15, adopting the operations budgets for the General Fund and Water and Sewer Fund for fiscal year 2021/2022. Motion carried with four ayes. (Unanimous)

- B. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Iowa Park, Texas Establishing an Ad Valorem Tax Rate for the Year 2021 on All Property Situated Within the City Limits of Iowa Park, Texas on January 1, 2021.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Williams and seconded by Councilman Wynn that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.7400/\$100.00, which is effectively a 6.664 percent increase in the tax rate. This is Resolution Number 21-16. Motion carried with four ayes. (Unanimous) Councilwoman Williams stated just to be clear, the actual tax rate is going down by one cent.

- C. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Iowa Park, Texas Accepting and Adopting the Iowa Park Economic Development Corporation's Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2021/2022.

The Economic Development Corporation's operating budget contains \$283,750.00 in revenues and expenditures. Motion was made by Councilwoman Williams and seconded by Council Pogatshnik approving and adopting Resolution Number 21-17 accepting and adopting the Iowa Park Economic Development Corporation's operating budget for fiscal year 2021/2022. Motion carried with four ayes. (Unanimous)

- D. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Iowa Par, Texas Accepting and Adopting the Iowa Park Community Development Corporation's Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2021/2022.

The Community Development Corporation's operating budget contains \$254,000.00 in revenues and expenditures. Motion was made by Councilwoman Shierry and seconded by Councilman Pogatshnik approving and adopting Resolution Number 21-18 accepting and adopting the Iowa Park Community Development Corporation's operating budget for fiscal year 2021/2022. Motion carried with four ayes. (Unanimous)

- E. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Iowa Park, Texas Authorizing and Approving the Write-off of Bad Debts.

The fiscal year 2020/2021 utility billing write-off is \$4,246.15. Motion was made by Councilwoman Williams and seconded by Councilwoman Shierry approving and adopting Resolution Number 21-19 authorizing and approving the write-off of bad debts. Motion carried with four ayes. (Unanimous)

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: Ordinance.

- A. An Ordinance of the City of Iowa Park, Texas Amending the Code of Ordinances at Section A9.004 and Section A9.005 of Article A9.000 in Appendix A to Implement Rate Changes for Water Services for All Municipal Utility Customers.

The City of Wichita Falls conducted a wholesale water cost of service and rate study, based on the previous year. Per the study, the cost of wholesale water purchased from the City of Wichita Falls will increase approximately 4.81%, effective October 1, 2021. Motion was made by

Councilwoman Williams and seconded by Councilman Pogatshnik approving and adopting Ordinance Number 1338 amending the Code of Ordinances at Section A9.004 and Section A9.005 of Article A9.000 in Appendix A to implement rate changes for water services for all municipal utility customers. Motion carried with four ayes. (Unanimous)

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9: City Manager's Report.

A. Discuss and Consider the Local State of Disaster for Public Health Emergency Adopted by City Council on March 23, 2020.

The City Manager stated it appears the numbers are declining slightly. This item will remain on each regular City Council agenda while still under the local state of disaster for public health emergency.

The meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 11th day of October, 2021.

Mayor Ray Schultz

ATTEST:

City Secretary Janice Newman