

**CITY OF WINONA**  
**Regular City Council Meeting**  
**520 Dallas St. Winona, TX**  
**Tuesday October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**MINUTES**

**On this 17<sup>th</sup> day of October 2023, 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 Rachel Moreno, Alderman Craig Attaway, Alderman Gary Fox, Alderman Pat Land, Alderman Laney Barnes, Alderman Dee Roden

**Members Absent:** None

**Guest Present:** Craig McCollum, Ronnie Pilcher, Shane Barnes, Shanne Clark, David Beck, Fontayn Beck

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

**FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS**

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

**B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & INVOCATION**

At this time Mayor Rachel Moreno asked everyone to observe in the Pledge of Allegiance and Alderman Dee Roden gave the invocation prayer.

**C. VISITORS OPEN FORUM**

David Beck spoke at this time about Ordinance 211 that was passed back when he was on council.

**D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**1. Approval of corrected August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023, Regular Minute; September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023, Regular Minutes**

Alderman Pat Land made the motion to approve the August 15<sup>th</sup> minutes and seconded by Alderman Gary Fox.

All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayro Pro-Tem Dee Roden made the motion to approve the September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023 regular meeting minutes and seconded by Alderman Laney Barnes.

All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

**E. APPROVAL OF FINANCIALS:**

**1. Approval of Financials**

No Financials

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**F. MONTHLY REPORTS OR UPDATES:**

**1. Utility Department**

**a) Monthly report:** Craig McCollum gave an update on the utility department. Installed a few water meters, gas meters, patched some roads, cleaned up the shop and organized it. The electrical repaired and clay valves on well 4 waiting on parts.

**2. Park/City Beautification**

Updated by Alderman Dee Roden. Not much is going on. Winona trades days will still be held on October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Expecting 38 vendors, going to have a bounce house. Putting up signs as many signs as possible.

**3. Mayor Updates**

**a) Update on permits submitted for processing.**

We have been getting quite a few solar and generator installation permits

**b) TML Conference**

It was a great event. Lots of great information gained from attending.

**c) Sheriff Sub Station at City Hall**

All set up in the office and out in the community interacting with the citizens

**d) New sign up at City Hall**

New sign has come in and installed at City Hall. We have ordered three more signs for each entry into the city.

**G. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS:**

**1. Discussion and possible action to approve a contingent fee contract with Perdue Brandon Fielder Colling and Mott, LLP pursuant to Section 6.30 of the Texas Property Tax Code, said contract bring for the collection of delinquent government receivables owed to City of Winona and notice of said contract is posted with the agenda in accordance with Section 2254 of the Government Code.**

Patrick with PBFC&M spoke with the council about helping collect delinquent property taxes owed to the city, assist with unsightly buildings clean up.

Mayro Pro-Tem Dee Roden made the motion to approve the contract with Perdue Brandon Fielder Colling and Mott, LLP and seconded by Alderman Craig Attaway.

All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

**2. Discussion and possible action to update Ordinance 221 Establishing Square Foot Minimum for single family homes to input verbiage to include offsite built homes/structures and to include verbiage to build upward if a lot is to small to fit a 1200sqft home/structure.**

Alderman Craig Attaway made the motion to table until next meeting and seconded by Alderman Landy Barnes.

All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

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- 3. Discussion and possible action to have attorney Blake Armstrong create an ordinance to restrict future allowance of RV Parks and/or mobile home parks within the city limits of Winona. Any parks already in town or in process at this time will be grandfathered in.**  
Mayor Pro-Tem Dee Roden made the motion to approve the creation of the ordinance and seconded by Alderman Craig Attaway.  
All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

- 4. Discussion and possible action to hire Margie Phillips PT in the office to assist where needed.**  
Alderman Pat Land made the motion to approved to hire Margie Phillips at \$7.25 per hour part time when needed with paid holidays for part time per the employee handbook and seconded by Alderman Craig Attaway.  
All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

**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 a closed session.*

**I. ADJOURNMENT**

Alderman Craig Attaway made the motion to adjourn this meeting at 7:37 pm.  
Seconded by Alderman Gary Fox.  
All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

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

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Rachel Moreno, Mayor

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Deana Powell, City Secretary