CITY OF WINONA Regular City Council Meeting 520 Dallas St. Winona, TX Tuesday, November 19th, 2024

MINUTES

On this 19th day of November 2024, 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 Shanna Clark

Members Absent: Mayor Pro-Tem Dee Roden

Guest Present: Craig McCollum, Nathan Hout, Katie Smith, Sabrina Rodgers

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 guest Mayor Pro-Tem Dee Roden gave the invocation prayer.

C. VISITORS OPEN FORUM

Nathan Hout and Kati Smith spoke at this time about agenda item G-2 that was moved to G-1.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

September meeting minutes to be presented at the December meeting.

E. FINANCIALS:

1. Update of October Financials

Financials updated, no questions asked.

F. MONTHLY REPORTS OR UPDATES:

1. Utility Department

a) Monthly report: Updated by Craig McCollum. We changed out water meters and about 10 gas meters, got a new bed for the Chevy truck. Hope to get it changed out soon. Adding about 1200 ft to a new customer, Yellawood has started back up today, two more properties have sold and want gas. Lots of fiber coming in had 4-5 line locates a day coming in.

2. Park/City Beautification

Updated by Mayor Rachel Moreno.

3. Mayor Updates

a) Update on permits submitted for processing.

Updated by Mayor Rachel Moreno. Permitted 453' of roadway in Nolan Farms was given last week.

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G. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS:

- Discussion and possible action to give the Mayor authority to possibly set up an account with Vera Bank that will be FDIC protected up to \$100 million per account. Alderman Craig Attaway made the motion to approve the mayor to open the account with Vera Bank and seconded by Alderman Shanna Clark. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.
- 2. Discussion and possible action to approve a possible increase in the water and sewer rates.

Alderman Craig Attaway made the motion to increase tier one no increase, tier two increase \$0.25, tier three increase \$1.00, tiers four-nine increase \$2.00, tier 10 increase \$1.75 and seconded by Alderman Shanna Clark.

All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Discussion and possible action to accept the resignation of Alderman Laney Barnes.

Alderman Gary Fox made the motion to accept the resignation of Alderman Laney Barnes 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.

Closed regular session at: _____ Opened executive session at: _____ Closed executive session at: _____ Opened regular session at: _____

I. ADJOURNMENT

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

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