



CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TRENTON CITY HALL
216 HAMILTON STREET
TRENTON, TEXAS 75490

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5, 2024

5:00 PM

MINUTES

Present for this meeting: Chief William Robertson, Secretary Rebekka Aviles, Public Works Director Jack Delancey, Susan Thomas, Amy Stanphill, Kyle Bailey, CJ Fillingham

Quorum Present: Mayor Rodney Alexander, Mayor Pro Tem Chris Stringer, and Council members Justin Wilson, and Riley Stringer.

I. Call Meeting to Order and Identification of Quorum.

The council meeting was brought to order at 5:16 pm by Mayor Rodney Alexander.

II. Open Forum:

CJ Fillingham from the Trenton Volunteer Fire Department invited the council to a picnic that the Volunteer Fire Department is putting on June 9th, 2024, at 4 pm.

III. Consent Agenda:

- a) May 8, 2024, City Council Minutes
- b) May 13, 2024, Special Council Meeting Minutes
- c) May 6, 2024, Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting Minutes

The council is tabling all items under the consent agenda due to some council members not being present during the meetings.

IV. Review Department Reports:

Police Department: Patrol Officer Kenneth Franklin introduced the new Patrol Officer Robert Spindle to the Council.

Water Department: Public Works Director, Jack Delancey reported to Council that the rain has been a struggle, but the public works department is pushing on and doing the best they can.

City Secretary: nothing to report.

V. Continue public hearing regarding the adoption of proposed water and wastewater impact fees.

Mayor Pro Tem Chris Stringer motioned to close the public hearing at 5:37 pm that was opened and continued from the previous Council meeting on May 8, 2024. Council member Justin Wilson seconded the motion, and it was approved with a three-for and none-against count.

VI. Discussion and action on approval of an Ordinance to adopt proposed water and wastewater impact fees.

Aaron Moreland from Dunaway reported to the council that the CIAC board passed the maximum assessment of impact fees to:

- a. WATER - \$7157.69
- b. WASTE WATER - \$ 7232.89

Aaron reported that you do not have to charge the maximum amount for the impact fees and that the council probably wants to try and align with other cities around. After some discussion between the Council and Aaron Moreland, Council member Justin Wilson motioned to adopt an impact fee equal to 55% of the maximum allowable water and wastewater impact fees assessed. Council member Riley Stringer seconded the motion, and it was approved with three for and none against.

VII. Discussion and action on the City of Trenton and Fannin County May 4, 2024, election contract.

Mayor Pro Tem motioned to approve the May 4, 2024, election contract with the Fannin County Clerk's office and pay the invoiced balance. Council member Riley Stringer seconded the motion and the May 4, 2024, election contract was approved with a three-for and none-against count.

VIII. Discussion and action to remove previous Mayor Pro Tem Lewis Donaghey, and the addition of new Mayor Pro Tem Chris Stringer to all bank accounts associated with the City of Trenton.

Council member Justin Wilson motioned to remove previous Mayor Pro Tem Lewis Donaghey and add Current Mayor Pro Tem Chris Stringer. Council member Riley Stringer seconded the motion, and the motion was approved with a vote of three for and none against.

IX. Discussion and possible action on the budgetary needs for the network infrastructure equipment over the next 14 months.

Aaron Irwin with the City of Trenton IT Department reported to the Council that the IT equipment infrastructure that is currently operating in the city was only supposed to last for five years, it has lasted seven years. Aaron reported that equipment needs to be updated for CJIS and the Police Department purposes. The Total year-one cost of equipment and software upgrade is \$57,591. This includes network

firewalls, Dell computers, monitors, Dell Servers, APC Smart-UPS, Microsoft 365 Government Cloud, and Asyst Accounting Software.

After some discussion between Council and Aaron Irwin, Mayor Pro Tem Chris Stringer motioned to approve the 58,000 for IT infrastructure needs for the City of Trenton. Council member Riley Stringer seconded the motion, and it was approved with a vote of three for and none against.

X. Discussion and action regarding City Council regular meeting schedule and time.

Council member Justin Wilson spoke about the Council meeting times and how he has had many people come to him and complain about the time.

Mayor Rodney Alexander asked the City Attorney and City Engineer what would be more convenient for them.

After some discussion, Justin Wilson made the motion to amend section 2.02.001 of the ordinance of the City Council's regular meeting scheduled time to 6 pm. Council member Riley Stringer seconded the motion, motion was approved with a count of two for and one against.

XI. Discussion and action regarding implementing livestream of City Council Meetings.

Council member Justin Wilson would like to try and livestream the City Council Meetings.

After some discussion, the council decided to table this agenda item until the Council can get a clearer picture of the cost of being able to livestream council meetings.

XII. Discussion and action to add a representative of the city to the Fannin Water Supply Agency.

Doug Kouph, President of the Fannin County Water Supply Agency reported to Council that they are looking to add a representative from the City of Trenton. At one point Doug reported that Lew Donaghey and Glenda Hackney once served as representatives. After some time, the board could not get a quorum together to hold a meeting.

The County Judge, Newt Cunningham is requesting the Fannin Water Supply Agency start back up. Doug sent Jack Delancey, the City Public Works Director, the by-laws to have on hand. Mayor Rodney Alexander suggested Jack Delancey serve as a representative of the City of Trenton. Jack Delancey has no objection to this suggestion.

Mayor Pro Tem, Chris Stringer motioned to have the City of Trenton Public Works Director Jack Delancey serve as a representative to the Fannin County Water Supply Agency on behalf of the City of Trenton and approve the membership dues. Council member Riley Stringer seconded the motion, and the motion passed with a vote of three for and none against.


XIII. Discussion and action regarding paying the monthly bills of the city.

Mayor Pro Tem Chris Stringer motioned to pay the city's monthly bills. Council member Riley Stringer seconded the motion, and it was approved with a count of three for and none against.

XIV. Adjourn City Council Meeting

Having no additional business, Council member Riley Stringer motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:34 pm. The motion was seconded by Council member Justin Wilson. The council meeting was adjourned.

Mayor Signature

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, written over a horizontal line. The signature is highly cursive and difficult to decipher.

City Secretary

Rebekka Curtis