

CITY OF WINONA
Regular City Council Meeting
520 Dallas St. Winona, TX
Tuesday January 15th, 2019

MINUTES

On this 15th day of January, 2019 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 Pat Schlau, Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis Land, Alderman Nubbin Rutledge, Alderman Dede Stroud, Alderman Dee Roden, Alderman Candy Folley

Members Absent: None

Guest Present: Ronnie Pilcher, Michael Sebring, Darla Smith

A. CALL TO ORDER

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

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

B. INVOCATION

At this time Mayor Pat Schlau asked everyone to observe in the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. November 7th, 2018 Special Call Minutes.

Motion was made to approve minutes pending changes of adding Deana as a guest and that Alderman Dede Stroud made the motion to adjourn and Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis Land seconded by Alderman Candy Folley and seconded by Alderman Dee Roden.
All in favor; none opposed; Motion carried unanimously

2. December 18th, 2018 Regular Minutes.

Motion was made by Alderman Candy Folley to approve the December 18th, 2018 Regular minutes and seconded by Alderman Dee Roden.
All in favor; none opposed; Motion carried unanimously.

D. APPROVAL OF FINANCIALS:

1. Approval of December 2018 Financials

Motion was made to call a special call meeting for Wednesday January 23rd, 2019 at 6:30 pm with the presence of City Attorney Blake Armstrong to discuss duties of Mayor, Council, and City Secretary by Alderman Dede Stroud and Seconded by Alderman Candy Folley.
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Motion was made to approve the December financials by Alderman Candy Folley and seconded by Alderman Dede Stroud.

All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

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E. MONTHLY REPORTS OR UPDATES:

1. Utility Department

No discussion

2. Park

Updated that the fall surface has been ordered for the swing area, need tree limbs, dead trees and the mistletoe in the trees removed.

Motion was made to clean up the trees in the park by Alderman Dee Roden and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis Land.

All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Court

No discussion

F. CURRENT ACTIVE PROJECTS:

1. Evaluation and discussion on utility wide rates for all departments of gas, water, and sewer utilities.

Motion was made to leave the utility rates the same until June meeting and review them again then by Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis Land and seconded by Alderman Dede Stroud.

Four (4) in favor; One (1) opposed. Motion carried majority vote.

2. Discussion and possible action on the Sewer Pond evaluation of past, present, and future repairs of upgrades, and anything else related to the sewer department for a full discussion.

Motion was made to get quotes for sludge removal and bring those quotes back to the council and moving forward from there by Alderman Candy Folley and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis Land.

Four (4) in favor; One (1) opposed. Motion carried majority vote.

3. Discussion and possible action on gas service, repairs, upgrades, GLO, ATMOS, and anything else gas related for a full discussion.

Discussed and updated council on Railroad Commission violations, Atmos update, and GLO status update.

G. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS:

1. Discussion and possible action on the May 2019 election calendar.

Motion was made to approve the May 2019 election calendar by Alderman Candy Folley and seconded by Alderman Dede Stroud.

All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

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- 2. Discussion and possible action to approve the Interlocal Agreement between Smith County, Winona ISD, and the City of Winona for the upcoming election.**
Motion was made to accept the interlocal agreement for the upcoming election by Alderman Candy Folley and seconded by Alderman Dee Roden.
All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.
- 3. Discussion and possible action to call the May 2019 election.**
Motion was made to call the May 2019 election by Alderman Dee Roden and seconded by Alderman Nubbin Rutledge.
All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.
- 4. Discussion and possible action on creating a City of Winona Beautification Committee.**
Motion was made to combine this committee along with the park committee to be able to put up the banners and Christmas decorations and/or clean up around the city by Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis Land and seconded by Alderman Candy Folley.
All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.
- 5. Discussion and possible action for preparing items at barn yard for sealed bids to clear out items.**
Motion was made to approve the posting of items for sale up at the city maintenance barn by Alderman Candy Folley and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis Land.
All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.
- 6. Discussion and possible action for properties to receive letters of action.**
Motion was made to consult with city attorney to see what we can do in regards to the three (3) properties discussed by Alderman Candy Folley and seconded by Alderman Nubbin Rutledge.
All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.
- 7. Discussion and possible action on community wide street repairs and quotes with issues around them.**
Discussed and will move forward with seeking options.
- 8. Discussion and possible action concerning our three (3) city trucks and back hoe's future.**
Motion was made to approve the take home of a city truck for the employee who is on-call after hours by Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis Land and seconded by Alderman Nubbin Rutledge.
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9. Discussion and possible action concerning the speed bumps placed on Starnes St.

Motion was made to be removed until council comes to a decision whether to allow them on Starnes St or not by Alderman Candy Folley and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis Land. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Discussion and possible action on the status of City Secretary Deana Powell and give her annual review with possible pay increase.

Motion was made to postpone until Wednesday, January 23rd, 2018 special call meeting by Alderman Dede Stroud and seconded by Alderman Candy Folley. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

H. VISITORS OPEN FORUM

Guest spoke at this time.

I. 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 discussion only and any decisions made during this discussion will be mentioned and voted upon once reconvened into regular session.

J. ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Dede Stroud made the motion to adjourn this meeting at 8:42 pm. Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis Land. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Curtis Land, Mayor Pro-Tem

Deana Powell, City Secretary