



Utility Commission Regular Meeting

City of Dripping Springs Council Chambers

511 Mercer Street – Dripping Springs, Texas

Thursday, February 15, 2024, at 4:00 PM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

With a quorum of the Commission present, Chair Busbey called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Commission Members present were:

Charlie Busbey, Chair

Mark Miller

Matthew Ordway

Commission Members absent were:

Barney Austin

Lara Dudek

Staff, Consultants, & Appointed/Elected Officials present were:

Utilities Service Manager Dane Sorenson

Deputy City Secretary Cathy Gieselman

PRESENTATION OF CITIZENS

A member of the public that wishes to address the Commission on any issue, regardless of whether it is posted on this agenda, may do so during Presentation of Citizens. It is the request of the Commission that individuals wishing to speak on agenda items with a public hearing hold their comments until the item is being considered. Individuals are allowed two (2) minutes each to speak and may not cede or pool time. Those requiring the assistance of a translator will be allowed additional time to speak. Individuals are not required to sign in; however, it is encouraged. Individuals that wish to share documents with the Commission must present the documents to the City Secretary or City Attorney providing at least six (6) copies; if six (6) copies are not provided, the Commission will receive the documents the following day. Audio Video presentations will not be accepted during Presentation of Citizens. By law no action shall be taken during Presentation of Citizens; however, the Chair may provide a statement of specific factual information, recitation of existing policy, or direction or referral to staff.

PRESENTATIONS

Presentations are for discussion only and no action shall be taken.

No one spoke during the Presentation of Citizens.

MINUTES

1. **Approval of the January 10, 2024, Utility Commission meeting minutes.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Miller to approve the January 10, 2024, Utility Commission meeting minutes. Commissioner Ordway seconded the motion which carried unanimously 3 to 0.

UTILITY REPORTS

Reports listed are on file and available for review upon request. The Commission may provide staff direction; however, no action shall be taken.

2. **Water & Wastewater Facility Report.**

Dane Sorenson presented the staff report which is on file. Dane noted one correction to the staff report where it stated there were no reportable violations this month; however, there were reportable violations that occurred this month.

BUSINESS AGENDA

3. **Discuss and consider approval of the Revised 2024 Utility Commission meeting calendar.**

Cathy Gieselman addressed questions from Commissioners; staff recommends approval.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ordway to approve the Revised 2024 Utility Commission meeting calendar as presented. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion which carried unanimously 3 to 0.

CLOSED SESSION

The Commission has the right to adjourn into closed session on any item on this agenda and at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any matter as authorized by law or by the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation With Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberation Regarding Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberation Regarding Prospective Gifts), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberation Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits), and 551.087 (Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations), and 551.089 (Deliberation Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits). Any final action or vote on any Closed Session item will be taken in Open Session.

The Commission did not meet in Closed Session.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Utility Commission Meetings (pending Approval of Revised Calendar)

March 21, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.

April 18, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.

May 16, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.

City Council Meetings

February 20, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

March 5, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

March 19, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

April 2, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Commissioner Ordway to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion which carried unanimously 3 to 0.

This regular meeting adjourned at 4:16 p.m.