



# UTILITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING City of Dripping Springs

Council Chambers, 511 Mercer St, Dripping Springs, TX  
Wednesday, February 09, 2022 at 4:00 PM

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## MINUTES

### CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum of the Commission present, Chair Kew called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

**Commission Members present were:**

Roger Kew, Vice Chair  
Charles Busbey  
Lara Dudek  
Jeff Foreman  
Matthew Ordway

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

Public Works Director Aaron Reed  
Utilities Superintendent Jesse Kennis  
Building Official/Utilities Coordinator Sarah Cole

### PRESENTATION OF CITIZENS

*A member of the public who desires to address the Commission regarding any item on an agenda for an open meeting may do so at presentation of citizens before an item or at a public hearing for an item during the Commission's consideration of that item. Citizens wishing to discuss matters not contained within the current agenda may do so, but only during the time allotted for presentation of citizens. Speakers are allowed two (2) minutes to speak during presentation of citizens or during each public hearing. Speakers may not cede or pool time. Members of the public requiring the assistance of a translator will be given twice the amount of time as a member of the public who does not require the assistance of a translator to address the Commission. It is the request of the Commission that members of the public wishing to speak on item(s) on the agenda with a noticed Public Hearing hold their comments until the item(s) are presented for consideration. Speakers are encouraged to sign in. Anyone may request a copy of the City's policy on presentation of citizens from the city secretary. By law no action may be taken during Presentations of Citizens.*

No one spoke during Presentation of Citizens.

### MINUTES

- 1. Discuss and consider approval of the November 10, 2021, Utility Commission regular meeting minutes.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Foreman to approve the November 10, 2021, Utility Commission regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Dudek seconded the motion which carried unanimously 5 to 0.

## **BUSINESS**

### **2. Update and discussion regarding Water and Wastewater facility activities.**

Aaron Reed presented the update on ongoing litigation for the City's discharge permit and current status of upcoming subdivisions with City utilities.

Jesse Kennis presented the wastewater operations report which is on file.

### **3. Discussion of the Commission's role in promoting accurate information with regard to the purpose and benefit of the new proposed water treatment plant. Commissioner Roger Kew**

Chair Kew requested more communication regarding changes and updates related to the City's TLAP and discharge permit.

Commissioner Busbey clarified and restated the written duties of the Utility Commission.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

*The Utility Commission for the City of Dripping Springs has the right to meet in executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any matter as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with City Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices), and 551.086 (Economic Development). The Utility Commission for the City of Dripping Springs may act on any item listed in Executive Session in Open Session or move any item from Executive Session to Open Session for action.*

The Commission did not meet in Executive Session.

## **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

### **Utility Commission Meetings**

March 9, 2022, at 4:00 p.m.

April 13, 2022, at 4:00 p.m.

May 11, 2022, at 4:00 p.m.

### **City Council Meetings**

February 15, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. (CC)

February 22, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. (Waivers)

March 1, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. (CC)

March 15, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. (CC)

## **ADJOURN**

Via unanimous consent, this regular meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.