

### CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

February 21, 2023 at 7:00 PM Hewitt City Hall, 200 Patriot Court, Hewitt, TX 76643 MINUTES

**Steve Fortenberry,** Mayor, Ward 3

Michael S. Bancale, Mayor Pro Tem, At-Large – Vacant, Council Member, Ward 1 Johnny Stephens, Council Member, Ward 1 – Johnny Price, Council Member, Ward 2 Bob Potter, Council Member, Ward 2 – Erica Bruce, Council Member, Ward 3

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Sec. 551.127, on a regular, non-emergency basis, members may attend and participate in the meeting remotely by video conference. Should that occur, a quorum of the members will be physically present at the location noted above on this agenda.

### **REGULAR MEETING - 7:00 PM**

### DECLARATION OF A QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Fortenberry called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 PM, announced all members were present, and declared a quorum.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Fortenberry led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

The City Council invites citizens to speak on any topic not already scheduled for a public hearing. The Texas Open Meetings Act prohibits the Council from discussing, responding to, or acting on any comments or items not properly posted on the agenda. [Note: Members of the public who wish to speak must complete a "Public Comment Form" and present it to the City Secretary before the meeting.]

Mayor Fortenberry read the statement above and inquired if the City Secretary received any public comment forms. The City Secretary received no public comment forms.

### PUBLIC HEARINGS AND RELATED ACTION

# 1. PUBLIC HEARING ON STORMWATER MITIGATION AS REQUIRED BY THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (TCEQ).

City Manager Bo Thomas stated that TCEQ requires this annual public hearing to allow residents to speak about drainage and stormwater issues. Mayor Fortenberry opened the hearing at 7:02 PM and called for those wishing to speak. No one appeared. The public hearing was closed at 7:03 PM.

#### **REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS**

## 2. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 06, 2023.

MOTION: Council Member Erica Bruce moved approval of the minutes as presented but to allow

for corrections.

**SECOND:** Council Member Bob Potter

AYES: Bruce, Potter, Price, Stephens, Bancale, and Fortenberry

NAYES: None ABSENT: None MOTION PASSED.

# 3. BRIEFING AND DISCUSSION CONCERNING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ENDING JANUARY 31, 2023.

City Manager Bo Thomas advised that Finance Director Lee Garcia previously sent the January Financial Statements electronically for the Council to review and inquired if Council had any questions. Council raised no questions or concerns.

# 4. DISCUSSION AND UPDATE OF THE 2023 TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (TCEQ) AUDIT.

Utilities Director Kevin Reinke presented a brief update on the audit that resulted in no violations.

## 5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON BRUSH TRUCK SKID UNIT REPLACEMENT AND UPFITTING.

Fire Chief Jonathan Christian presented the request to use Texas Intrastate Fire Mutual Aid System (TIFMAS) funds to replace the skid unit and upfit new storage and toolboxes for additional storage.

**MOTION:** Mayor Pro Tem Michael Bancale moved to approve the use of TIFMAS funds to purchase skid unit, (pump and tank), along with additional wildland firefighting equipment and associated modifications.

**SECOND:** Council Member Johnny Price

AYES: Bruce, Potter, Price, Stephens, Bancale, and Fortenberry

NAYES: None ABSENT: None MOTION PASSED.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Council Member Erica Bruce moved to adjourn the Regular meeting at 7:12 PM.

**SECOND:** Council Member Bob Potter

**AYES:** Bruce, Potter, Price, Stephens, Bancale, and Fortenberry

NAYES: None ABSENT: None MOTION PASSED.

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Approved: _ ATTEST:	
Lydia Lopez, City Secretary	Steve Fortenberry, Mayor