



**CITY OF
IOWA
COLONY**

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**Monday, January 08, 2024
7:00 PM**

Iowa Colony City Council Chambers, 3144 Meridiana Parkway, Iowa Colony, Texas 77583

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BE IT REMEMBERED ON THIS, the 8th day of January 2024, the City Council of the City of Iowa Colony, Texas, held a Council Meeting at 7:00 P.M. at the Iowa Colony City Council Chambers, there being present and in attendance the following members to wit:

Mayor Wil Kennedy
Mayor Pro Tem Marquette Greene-Scott
Councilmember Arnetta Murray
Councilmember McLean Barnett
Councilmember Tim Varlack
Councilmember Kareem Boyce
Councilmember Sydney Hargroder

And none being absent, constituting a quorum at which time the following business was transacted.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kennedy called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

INVOCATION

Reverend Flemming prayed aloud.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge were recited.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Reserved for formal presentations and proclamations.

1. Proclamation declaring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Mayor Kennedy read the Martin Luther King Jr. Day Proclamation aloud. Mayor Kennedy announced that on Saturday, January 13th at 11:00 A.M. at 3144 Meridiana Parkway, there will be a program celebrating Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. He encouraged all those available to attend.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no comments from the public.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Barnett notified everyone about the weather. It will be getting cold next week so be prepared to bring pets and other things inside.

Councilmember Murray mentioned the event on Saturday and asked for people to attend.

Mayor Pro-Tem Greene-Scott wished everyone a Happy New Year. She stated that she is looking forward to seeing everyone at Saturday's event.

Councilmember Varlack thanked those in attendance at the meeting. He encouraged those that are able to attend the event on Saturday to come participate. He reminded everyone to respect and look out for one another. There are so many things we as a community can do to help keep the peace and tranquility of the city.

Councilmember Boyce thanked the city for the condolences for the passing of a family member. He reminded everyone that there is more that unites us than divides us. As a city there is so much more that can be accomplished if we are kind and treat our neighbors with respect.

Councilmember Hargroder thanked those in attendance at the meeting with the bad weather. She hopes we have a successful event on Saturday as she won't be in attendance. She mentioned the ICVFD has three firefighters that have received their TCFP certification.

Mayor Kennedy wished everyone a Happy 2024. He is excited about the accomplishments that were achieved in 2023. He acknowledged the new staff members in finance and public works.

STAFF REPORTS

The City Secretary announced that the first day to file an application for a place on the May 4, 2024 General Election ballot for Councilmember Position 1, 2, and 3 begins Wednesday, January 17 at 8:00 A.M. and the last day to file is Friday, February 16, 2024 by 5:00 P.M.

The City Secretary announced that the first day to file an application for a place on the May 4, 2024 Special Election begins on Tuesday, February 13 at 8:00 A.M. and the last day to file is Friday, March 1 by 5:00 P.M.

2. Building Official / Fire Marshal Monthly Report
3. Police Department Monthly Report
4. Municipal Court Monthly Report
5. Public Works Monthly Report
6. City Engineer Monthly Report
7. Finance Monthly Report

CONSENT AGENDA

Consideration and possible action to approve the following consent agenda items:

Motion made by Councilmember Hargroder to approve consent items as presented minus item no. 16, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Murray, Councilmember Barnett, Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott, Mayor Kennedy, Councilmember Hargroder, Councilmember Varlack, Councilmember Boyce

8. Consider approval of the December 5, 2023 City Council and Planning and Zoning Commission joint work session minutes.
9. Consider approval of the December 18, 2023 City Council Work Session minutes.
10. Consider approval of the December 18, 2023 City Council meeting minutes.
11. Consider approval of the January 3, 2024 City Council meeting minutes.

12. Consider approval of the Caldwell Lakes Section 3 Preliminary Plat.
13. Consider approval of the Caldwell Lakes Section 4 Preliminary Plat.
14. Consider approval of the Ellwood Detention Reserve D Preliminary Plat.
15. Consider approval of the Ellwood Detention Reserve E Phase 1 Preliminary Plat.
16. Consider approval of Investment of City Funds Renewing a Certificate of Deposit (CD)

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott to approve the Investment of City Funds Renewing a Certificate of Deposit (CD), Seconded by Councilmember Varlack.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Murray, Councilmember Barnett, Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott, Mayor Kennedy, Councilmember Hargroder, Councilmember Varlack, Councilmember Boyce

17. Consider approval of the Quarterly Investment Report

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

18. Consideration and possible action on Associate Judge appointments.

Motion made by Councilmember Hargroder to appoint William Bill Exley as Associate Judge, Seconded by Councilmember Murray.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Murray, Councilmember Barnett, Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott, Mayor Kennedy, Councilmember Hargroder, Councilmember Varlack, Councilmember Boyce

Judge Barfield gave the oath of office to Judge Exley.

19. Consideration and possible action adopting a resolution requesting TxDOT certification to regulate billboards in the Iowa Colony city limits and ETJ.

Motion made by Councilmember Varlack to approve the resolution requesting TxDOT certification to regulate billboards in the Iowa Colony city limits and ETJ, Seconded by Councilmember Hargroder.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Murray, Councilmember Barnett, Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott, Mayor Kennedy, Councilmember Hargroder, Councilmember Varlack, Councilmember Boyce

20. Consideration and possible action authorizing city staff to begin procedures for annexation of the TxDOT SH6 and SH288 rights-of-way within Iowa Colony's extraterritorial jurisdiction.

Motion made by Councilmember Hargroder for staff to begin procedures for annexation of the TxDOT SH6 and SH288 rights-of-way within Iowa Colony's extraterritorial jurisdiction, approving actions already taken by staff towards this annexation, setting public hearings for Monday, February 12th at 7:00 P.M. and Tuesday, February 13th at 6:00 P.M. both public hearings to be held in the Iowa Colony City Council Chambers at 3144 Meridiana Parkway Iowa Colony, Texas 77583, and authorizing the City Manager to change those dates if necessary.

, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Murray, Councilmember Barnett, Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott, Mayor Kennedy, Councilmember Hargroder, Councilmember Varlack, Councilmember Boyce

EXECUTIVE SESSION-7:46 P.M.

Executive session in accordance with 551.071, 551.072, and 551.074 of the Texas Gov't Code to deliberate and consult with attorney on the following:

21. Discussion on the purchase of real property and financial matters related thereto
22. Discussion on Annual Performance Appraisals for the City Manager and City Attorney.

POST EXECUTIVE SESSION-8:54 P.M.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

23. Consideration and possible action related to the purchase of real property.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott to authorize the City Manager and Staff to proceed as instructed in executive session, Seconded by Councilmember Hargroder.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Murray, Councilmember Barnett, Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott, Mayor Kennedy, Councilmember Hargroder, Councilmember Varlack, Councilmember Boyce

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED THIS 12TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2024

Kayleen Rosser, City Secretary

Wil Kennedy, Mayor

