



Town Council

Monday, February 14, 2022 at 6:00 PM
102 W. Bailey Street, Ponder, TX 76259

MINUTES
FROM THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
FEBRUARY 14, 2022, IN PONDER TOWN HALL, AT 102 W.
BAILEY STREET, PONDER.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Poole called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

ROLL CALL

Council Member Deussen, Council Member Couch, Council Member Staton, Mayor Pro-Tem McGregor and Mayor Poole were in attendance. Council Member Lynch was absent.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Poole led the invocation and pledge of allegiance.

OPEN FORUM FOR CITIZEN INPUT

Wayne Futch of 203 E Bailey Street who has been a resident of Ponder for 49 years, spoke regarding item 6. He stated that anytime he sees MUD, he gets up and speaks. He said that the MUD Developers are not from around here and do not care about Ponder. He asked that we give them nothing and discourage them from coming near Ponder and added that he does not want his water rates to increase.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. **Consider and act on approval of Ordinance 22-01, Calling a General Election on May 7, 2022.**
2. **Consider and act on approval of Ordinance 22-02, Calling for a Special Election on May 7, 2022.**
3. **Consider and act on approval of Resolution 22-03, participation in the ACSC**
4. **Consider and act on approval of November 8, 2021 and December 13, 2021 minutes.**

Council Member Staton moved to approve all items on the consent agenda. Motion seconded by Council Member Couch.

Ayes: Council Member Staton, Council Member Couch, Council Member Deussen and Mayor Pro-Tem McGregor. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 4 ayes, 0 nays, and 0 abstentions.

ORAL STAFF REPORTS

Gary Morris reported that the new HS has begun and that Clairmont is steadily being completed. He said that next week is the WWTP 3 year inspection and that the re-hab on the old plant is complete, but is not in service at this time. Litigation will begin soon, relative to the original contractor of the re-hab. He also reported that the ballfields are complete except for the concession/restroom building and septic system.

Robert Genova reported that the Police Department had 80 calls for service last month. He also said that the PD purchased 6 body cameras with a \$5000 CoServ grant. The car radios that were purchased with grant funds are in cars and in use.

Sheri Clearman reported that the concession and restroom building for the ballfields as been ordered and will be in in May and that the Annual Financial audit is complete and will be on the March agenda.

Andrew Economedes reported that the PVFD call load is increasing and believes that the total calls will go up with the growth in Town. The PVFD has a new member and a new Jr. Firefighter.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

5. Consider and act on approval of a Final Plat and variance for tract 1G, 5.26 ac on Moncrief Rd in the Ponder ETJ.

Mayor Pro-Tem McGregor moved to approve the Final Plat and variance for tract 1G, 5.26 acres on Moncrief Rd in the Ponder ETJ. Motion seconded by Council Member Couch.

Ayes: Council Member Staton, Council Member Couch, Council Member Deussen and Mayor Pro-Tem McGregor. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 4 ayes, 0 nays, and 0 abstentions.

6. Consider and act on authorizing the Mayor and Town Attorney to begin negotiations with the proposed Rockwood MUD for the providing of water and/or sewer services with a final contract to be brought back to the Town Council for consideration.

Council Member Deussen moved to authorize the Mayor and Town Attorney to negotiate with the Rockwood MUD to provide water and sewer services to them and that an agreement or contract is to be brought before Town Council for final approval.

ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

Annual Financial Audit

ADJOURN

Mayor Pro-Tem McGregor moved to adjourn at 6:19 pm. Motion seconded by Council Member Deussen.

Ayes: Council Member Staton, Council Member Couch, Council Member Deussen and Mayor Pro-Tem McGregor. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 4 ayes, 0 nays, and 0 abstentions.

APPROVED:

Matthew Poole, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sheri Clearman, Town Secretary

Date