

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING  
OF THE SWEENY CITY COUNCIL  
TUESDAY, JULY 19, 2022  
6:00 PM**

A regular meeting and public hearing of the City Council was held at Sweeny City Hall on Tuesday, July 19, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Jeff Farley called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**1. ROLL CALL/ COUNCIL**

Council Position 1. Mark Morgan Jr.  
Council Position 2. Bill Hayes  
Council Position 3. Brian Brooks - absent  
Council Position 4. John Rambo – absent  
Council Position 5. Tim Pettigrew

**STAFF**

Reese Cook, City Manager  
Reatta Minshew, City Secretary  
Charlie Stevenson, City Attorney  
Brad Caudle, Chief of Police  
Ross Aguirre, Dir of Public Works  
Kaydi Smith, Assistant City Secretary  
Laurie Martinez, Utilities Clerk

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

American and Texas Flag was led by Tim Pettigrew

**INVOCATION**

The invocation was given by Charlie Stevenson

**3. VISTORS COMMENTS**

Glen James from the Veterans Parade Committee gave update on the Veterans Day Parade November 11, 2022.

**4. PUBLIC HEARING: 2021 Consumer Confidence Report**

**Open: 6:05 pm**

**No Comments**

**Closed: 6:08pm**

**5. PRESENTATIONS:**

**A. Proclamations**

a.

**B. Fire Report – Roger Barton / 14 calls for the month of June.**

**C. Police Report – Chief Brad Caudle gave the report.**

**D. Staff Reports: - City Manager Report / Dir of Public Works**

**E. SEDC Report – Michelle Medina gave the report.**

**6. CONSENT AGENDA**

**A. Bills in the amount of \$60,950.54**

**B. Minutes from Regular Session: June 21, June 28 and July 5, 2022**

Mark Morgan Jr. made a motion to approve the bills in the amount of \$60,950.54 and the minutes of June 21, 2022, June 28, 2022, and July 5, 2022. Tim Pettigrew seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**A. Discuss and act (as needed):**

**8. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Discuss and act (as needed): Board of Adjustments / Recommendations on variance request to the R2-B zoning requirements for 318 Willow Street.**

318 Willow is an empty lot. The owners will build a home at this address soon and are requesting a variance to place a 30 x 50 secondary storage building on the property before the home is built. They went before the Board of Adjustments and received approval from them. The building does meet the set back requirements.

Mark Morgan Jr. made a motion to accept the recommendation from the Board of Adjustments and grant the variance to place a 30 x 50 storage building at 318 Willow Street. Bill Hayes seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**B. Discuss and act (as needed): Parks and Recreation Board / Lighting for the Parks**

Mr. Canelle Massey with the Parks and Rec Board asked council to consider purchasing lights for Backyard Park, Gazebo Park and MLK Park in the amount of \$1000.00. Mr. Massey stated he had found lights for \$230.00 each. The board would like to install 2 at Backyard Park, 2 at Gazebo Park and 1 on a timer at MLK Park.

Bill Hayes made a motion to approve \$1000.00 to purchase lights for the parks. Tim Pettigrew seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**C. Discuss and act (as needed): Fire Department / Title Transfer of the Fire Field Property to Sweeny Firefighters Association.**

Roger Barton came before the council a couple of months ago and ask council to transfer the title of the fire field into the Sweeny Fire and Rescue. Tonight, he asks council to please amend that request and title the fire field into the Sweeny Fire Fighters Association. This is a different

organization compiled of 9 different fire departments that are going to use the fire field for training. Tim Pettigrew made a motion to approve Mr. Barton's request and to title the Fire Field into the Sweeny Fire Fighters Association. Bill Hayes seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**D. Discuss and act (as needed): John Rambo / Purchasing Flags for the City of Sweeny**

Mayor Farley stated to everyone that he has asked P66 for a grant to purchase American Flags for the City of Sweeny to display on holidays down Main Street.

Tim Pettigrew made a motion to table for next month so councilman Rambo could be here. Bill Hayes seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**E. Discuss and act (as needed): John Rambo / 2021-2022 Fiscal Year Budget Amendment for Flags.**

Tim Pettigrew made a motion to table for next month. Mark Morgan Jr. seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**F. Discuss and act (as needed): City Manager / 2021 Consumer Confidence Report**

Mark Morgan Jr. made a motion to accept the 2021 Consumer Confidence Report. Tim Pettigrew seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**G. Discuss and act (as needed): City Manager / Remove Reese Cook from the First State Bank accounts and add Lindsay Koskiniemi on the same bank.**

Mark Morgan Jr. made a motion to approve the removal of Reese Cook from the First State accounts and to add Lindsay Koskiniemi. Tim Pettigrew seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**H. Discuss and act (as needed): City Manager/ Remove Reese Cook from the Public Funds and Investment Officer and add Lindsay Koskiniemi as Public Funds and Investment Officer.**

Bill Hayes made a motion to approve the removal of Reese Cook from the Public Funds and Investment Officer and add Lindsay Koskiniemi. Tim Pettigrew seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**I. Discuss and act (as needed): Remove Reese Cook from Texpool accounts and add Lindsay Koskiniemi to same Texpool accounts.**

Mark Morgan Jr. made a motion to approve the removal of Reese Cook from the Texpool accounts and to add Lindsay Koskiniemi to the same Texpool accounts. Tim Pettigrew seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Closed Regular Session:**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION §551.071, §511.072 AND §551.074:**

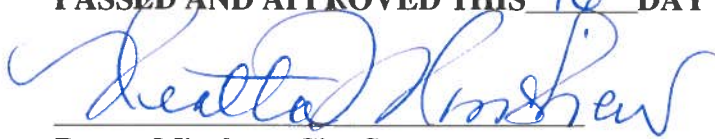
**9. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION:**

**10. ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST**

Bill Hayes announced the School Supply Drive: Saturday July 23 at the Back Yard Park.

**11. ADJOURNMENT: 6:47 pm**

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 16 DAY OF August 2022.



**Reatta Minshew, City Secretary**