

THE STATE OF TEXAS }
COUNTY OF DAWSON} }
CITY OF LAMESA } }

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL CALLED MEETING:
JULY 28, 2015**

On this the 28th day of July, 2015, at 5:30 P.M. there came on and was held a special called session of the City Council of the City of Lamesa, Dawson County, Texas. Notice of such meeting having been posted at the City Hall at 601 South First Street in the City of Lamesa, Texas in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act (Texas Govt. Code, Chapter 551). The following items were listed on the notice and the following proceedings were had, viz.:

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Nix announced that the meeting was being held in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act (Texas Govt. Code, Chapter 551), and that discussion and actions are limited to the agenda items as posted. A quorum being present as evidenced by the presence 6 the Council Members were present:

	DAVE NIX	MAYOR
	MARIE BRISENO	COUNCIL MEMBER – DISTRICT 2
ABSENT-----	JOSH STEVENS	MAYOR PRO-TEM /COUNCIL MEMBER – DISTRICT 1
	FABIAN RUBIO	COUNCIL MEMBER – DISTRICT 3
	BOBBY G. GONZALES	COUNCIL MEMBER – DISTRICT 4
	FRED VERA	COUNCIL MEMBER – DISTRICT 5
LATE-----	CHANCE BRITT	COUNCIL MEMBER - DISTRICT 6

City staff members present at the meeting:

SHAWNA D. BURKHART	CITY MANAGER
MARIA HATCHETT	CITY SECRETARY
RUSSELL CASSELBERRY	CITY ATTORNEY

Members of the public present at the meeting:

Herrell Hallmark	Sandy Trevino	Cris Norris	Tommy Arguijo
Larry Duyck	Tommy Arguijo	Wayne Smith	Terri Stahl

AD VALOREM TAX RATE – 2015: City council discuss the proposed tax rate and consider voting to holding two (2) public hearings on a proposal to increase the total tax revenues of the City of Lamesa from properties on the tax roll. *(by record vote)*

Proposed 1st Public Hearing – August 25, 2015

Proposed 2nd Public Hearing – September 1, 2015

Council Member Britt joined the meeting at 5:34 p.m.

VOTING:	“AYE” 6	“NAY” 0	“ABSTAIN” 0
Dave Nix	√		
Marie Briseno	√		
Josh Stevens	(absent)		
Fabian Rubio	√		
Greg Hughes	√		
Robert Moreno	√		
Chance Britt	√		

BUDGET AMENDMENT: Consider amending Ordinance No.O-18-14 on second and final reading with respect to October 1, 2014 fiscal year budget.

VOTING:	“AYE” 6	“NAY” 0	“ABSTAIN” 0
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Motion by Council Member Gonzales to pass an ordinance amending Ordinance No.O-18-14 on second and final reading with respect to October 1, 2014 fiscal year budget. Motion seconded by Council Member Britt and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

VOTING: "AYE" 6 "NAY" 0 "ABSTAIN" 0

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RETIREMENT OF CITY SECRETARY: Consider accepting the letter of the retirement from the city secretary, effective August 5, 2015.

Motion by Council Member Gonzales to accept the letter of retirement from city secretary Maria Hatchett. Motion seconded by Council Member Briseno and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

VOTING: "AYE" 6 "NAY" 0 "ABSTAIN" 0

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Council to convene in closed executive session regarding the city secretary position in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act (Chapter 551.074 Government Code) to consider personnel matters. No action will be taken in closed session. The Council will reconvene into open session after the completion of the executive session.

Motion by Council Member Britt to convene in closed executive session in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act to discuss and consider personnel matters. Motion seconded by Council Member Rubio and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

VOTING: "AYE" 6 "NAY" 0 "ABSTAIN" 0

CITY SECRETARY SEARCH: Consider giving staff direction with respect to filling the position.

Motion by Council Member Vera to amend and revise/update the current city secretary job description and to direct staff to advertise with TML, in the west Texas area and locally. Motion seconded by Council Member Britt and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

VOTING: "AYE" 6 "NAY" 0 "ABSTAIN" 0

BUDGET WORK SESSION II: Council to meet with city staff to discuss and set priorities for the 2015 – 2016 operating budget.

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Nix announced that the next regular called meeting of the City Council of the City of Lamesa, Texas would be held on August 18, 2015. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, the City Council certifies that the items above are a full record of the subject matter of each deliberation and indicates each vote, order, decision or other action taken by the City Council of the City of Lamesa, Texas at the meeting held on the date indicated above. Ratified and approved at the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Lamesa, Texas held on August 18, 2015.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Maria Hatchett, TRMC
City Secretary

Dave Nix
Mayor