

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

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING:

August 15, 2023

On this the 15th day of August 2023, at 5:30 P.M., there came on and was held a regularly called meeting 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 Stevens 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 5 City Council Members were present:

JOSH STEVENS	Mayor
VACANT	Council Member – District 1
FRED VERA	Council Member – District 2
GLORIA V. RODRIGUEZ	Council Member – District 3
DANNY JACOBS	Council Member - District 4 Mayor Pro Tem
BOBBY G. GONZALES	Council Member – District 5 ABSENT
RUDY SAUSEDA JR.	Council Member – District 6

City staff members present at the meeting:

JOE HINES	CITY MANAGER
BETTY CONDE	CITY SECRETARY
RUSSELL CASSELBERRY	CITY ATTORNEY

Members of the press present at the meeting:

Mary Elizabeth

Members of the public present at the meeting:

Wayne Chapman	Robert Ramirez	Irma Ramirez	Leticia Dimas	Norma Garcia
Josh Peterson	Irma Ramirez	Victor Dimas	Dinicio Garza Jr.	Peter Gonzales
Larry Duyck	Andrea Goodson	Cris Norris	Brian Beck	Josh Peterson

Francisco Solis Breanna Solis

INVOCATION: Josh Stevens

CONSENT AGENDA: All consent agenda items listed are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda. Information concerning consent agenda items is available for public review.

- a. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:** Approval of the minutes of the City Council regular meeting held on July 18th, 25th and August 1st, 2023.
- b. **BILLS FOR JULY 2023:** Approval of the bills paid by the City of Lamesa for the month of July 2023

Motion by Council Member Rudy Sauseda to approve items 3a and b. Motion seconded by Council Member Danny Jacobs and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

VOTING: "AYE" 5 "NAY" "ABSTAIN"

LEDC/LEAP FY 2023/2024 BUDGET PRESENTATION AND ADOPTION: City Council to hear presentation regarding the LEDC/LEAP FY 2023/2024 proposed budget and consider adoption of proposed budget. *(EDC Director)*

Passed on agenda item #4, will be added to the August 22, 2023, agenda.

RE-APPOINTMENT OF CRIS NORRIS TO THE CANADIAN RIVER MUNICIPAL WATER AUTHORITY: City Council to approve the Cris Norris to serve as the City's representative on the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority Board. *(City Manager)*

Motion by Council Member Danny Jacobs to approve Cris Norris to serve as the City's representative on the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority Board. Motion seconded by Council Member Gloria Rodriguez and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

VOTING: "AYE" 5 "NAY" "ABSTAIN"

EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (EAP) AGREEMENT WITH TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER: City Council to consider approving an agreement with Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center to provide an Employee Assistance Program (EAP) to benefit City employees and volunteer firefighters. *(Human Resources Director)*

Motion by Council Member Danny Jacobs to approve an agreement with Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center to provide an Employee Assistance Program (EAP) to benefit City employees and volunteer firefighters. This is a renewal of an existing contract. Motion seconded by Council Member Rudy Sauseda and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

VOTING: "AYE" 5 "NAY" "ABSTAIN"

RECOGNITION CEREMONY FOR LAMESA POLICE OFFICER: Mayor and City Council to recognize Lamesa Police Officer. (Police Chief)

Police Chief recognized Fransisco Solis for service above and beyond the call of duty.

LETTER OF ENGAGEMENT FOR AUDIT SERVICES FOR FY-2022-2023:

City Council to consider approving the letter of engagement for Audit Services with Terry & King CPAs, P.C. for Fiscal Year 2022-2023. (*Finance Director & City Manager*)

Motion by Council Member Rudy Sauseda to approve the letter of engagement for Audit Services Terry & King CPAS, P.C. . for Fiscal Year 2022/2023. Motion seconded by Council Member Danny Jacobs and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

VOTING: "AYE" 5 "NAY" "ABSTAIN"

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT – 9-1-1 PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINT: City Council to consider approving an Interlocal agreement with the Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission relating to the planning, development, operation and provision of 9-1-1 services for FY2023 through 2025. (*City Manager*)

Motion by Council Member Danny Jacobs to approve Interlocal agreement with the Permian Basin Regional Commission relating to the planning, development, operation, and provision of E9-1-1 services for FY2023 through 2025. Motion seconded by Council Member Gloria Rodriquez and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

VOTING: "AYE" 5 "NAY" "ABSTAIN"

BUDGET AMENDMENT VI: City Council to consider amending Ordinance O-18-22 on first reading with respect to the budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2022, and ending September 30, 2023. (*This budget amendment is for recognizing the reimbursement of \$40,000.00 from LEAP to the Inspection Dept. for demolition of sub-standard structures.*) (*City Manager & Finance Director*)

Motion by Council Member Rudy Sauseda to amend Ordinance O-18-22 on first reading with respect to the budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2022 and ending September 30, 2023. Motion seconded by Council Member Gloria Rodriquez and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

VOTING: "AYE" 5 "NAY" "ABSTAIN"

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAMESA, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF VARIOUS PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY HELD IN TRUST BY THE CITY OF LAMESA AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY TO EXECUTE TAX DEEDS AND TO TAKE SUCH ACTIONS REQUIRED TO EFFECT THE CONVEYANCE OF SUCH REAL PROPERTY: City Council to consider passing a Resolution authorizing the conveyance of various parcels of real property held in trust by the City of Lamesa and authorizing the Mayor of the City to execute tax deeds and to take such actions required to effect the conveyance of such real property. *(City Manager)*

Motion by Council Member Danny Jacobs to consider passing a Resolution authorizing the conveyance of various parcels of real property held in trust by the City of Lamesa and authorizing the Mayor of the City to execute tax deeds and to take such actions required to effect the conveyance of such real property. Motion seconded by Council Member Gloria Rodriguez and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

VOTING: "AYE" 5 "NAY" "ABSTAIN"

RENEWAL OF ATMOS FRANCHISE AGREEMENT: City Council to consider approving an Ordinance on first reading for the renewal of the Atmos Franchise Agreement and authorizing the Mayor to execute all necessary documents. *(City Manager)*

Motion by Council Member Rudy Sauseda to approve an Ordinance on first reading for the renewal of the Atmos Franchise Agreement and authorizing the Mayor to execute all necessary documents. Motion seconded by Council Member Danny Jacobs and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

VOTING: "AYE" 5 "NAY" "ABSTAIN"

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAMESA, TEXAS, APPROVING A NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT BETWEEN THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF CITIES SERVED BY ATMOS WEST TEXAS ("CITIES") AND ATMOS ENERGY CORP., WEST TEXAS DIVISION REGARDING THE COMPANY'S 2023 RATE REVIEW MECHANISM; City Council to consider passing a Resolution approving a negotiated settlement between the executive committee of Cities Served By Atmos West Texas ("CITIES") and Atmos Energy Corp., West Texas Division regarding the company's 2023 rate review mechanism.. *(City Manager)*

Motion by Council Member Rudy Sauseda to pass a Resolution approving a negotiated settlement between the Executive Committee of Cities served by Atmos West Texas ("Cities") and Atmos Energy Corp., West Texas Division regarding the company's 2023 Rate Review Mechanism Filings. Motion seconded by Council Member Danny Jacobs and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

VOTING:

"AYE" 5

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"ABSTAIN"

WEST TEXAS CONSULTANTS ENGINEERING & GRANT SERVICES PROPOSAL:

City Council to consider approving West Texas Consultants
(WTC) Engineering Services. *(City Manager)*

Motion by Council Member Danny Jacobs to approve West Texas Consultant Engineering Services & Grant Services . Motion seconded by Council Member Gloria Rodriguez and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

VOTING:

"AYE" 5

"NAY"

"ABSTAIN"

CITY STAFF REPORTS:

- a. **PARKS, STREETS, SANITATION/LANDFILL REPORT:** Director to report on the city's recent events. Robert Ramirez reported
- b. **UTILITIES DIRECTOR REPORT:** Utilities Director to report on the city's recent events
Dinicio Garza Jr. reported.
- c. **GOLF COURSE REPORT:** Golf Course Superintendent to report on conditions and events at the Golf Course Victor Dimas reported.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Finance Director to report on the city's finances.
Wayne Chapman reported.

INVESTMENT REPORT: Finance Director to report on the city's investments for the third quarter of FY 2022-2023.
Wayne Chapman reported.

CITY MANAGER REPORT: City Manager to report on current activities and answer questions from the City Council.


MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor to report on current activities.

ADJOURNMENT: *The next regularly scheduled meetings of the City Council of the City of Lamesa will be August 17, 2023, at 5:30 P.M.*

ATTEST:


Betty Conde
City Secretary

APPROVED:


Josh Stevens
Mayor