

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
OF CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF DAINGERFIELD
December 12, 2022

City Council Present: Mayor Wade Kerley Councilmembers Mike Carter, Duane Grissett, and Vicki Smith

Absent: Councilmember Jessie Ayers and Bob Thorne

City Staff Present: City Manager Keith Whitfield, City Secretary Michelle Jones, Police Chief Tracey Climer, Fire Chief Jimmy Cornelius, Public Works Director-Kiersten Wiley, Finance Director-Amanda Sanders, Animal Shelter Director-Tabitha Hicks, Librarian Elise Cook

Others: Parker Harrison-Grant Works, Gerald Stotts, Colton Tigert, David Hood, Tina Cooper, Michael Haley, Jim Goodman, Leana Walker, Marty Walker, Beverly Austin, Dwayne Staples

Mayor Kerley called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Mr. Whitfield gave the Invocation.

The Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge.

Public Hearing: Mayor Kerley opened the Public Hearing at 6:03 p.m. The hearing was held to discuss the 2023/2024 Texas Community Development Block Grant Program (TxCDBG) applications. The purpose of the hearing is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss a citizen participation plan, development of local housing and community development needs, amount of TxCDBG funding available, all eligible TxCDBG activities and use of past TxCDBG funds. Mr. Parker Harrison with Grant Works was present to answer citizen questions. Ms. Beverly Austin was present and asked how much grant money is available, what has it been used for in the past and what will it be used for this time. Mr. Harrison stated that \$500,000 is available, he was unsure of what the grant money was used for in the past for the City but he could find that information out and that the goal for this grant money is to rehabilitate manholes across the city. Ms. Austin then asked if that would take all the grant money and Mr. Harrison said it would. Ms. Austin stated that was all the questions she had, and Mayor Kerley thanked her for her participation. Mayor Kerley then checked for any other citizen remarks and there being none he closed the hearing at 6:06 p.m.

Public Comments:

Tina Cooper spoke on employee conduct, city taxes and finances. Mr. Whitfield provided information to Ms. Coopers comments concerning the tax increase and invited her by City Hall for further information. No discussion or action was taken by council.

Gerald Stotts spoke in opposition to current ADA accommodations. No discussion or action was taken by council.

Dewayne Staples then spoke on easement maintenance responsibility by City. No discussion or action was taken by council.

Deliberate and Act to Approve Minutes of November 7, 2022, and November 21, 2022: The minutes were unanimously approved on motion by Councilmember Carter, seconded by Councilmember Smith.

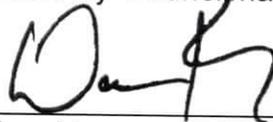
Deliberate and Take From the Table Agenda Item Concerning Reimbursement Claim by Gerald Stotts on Watson St. Sewer Problem: Motion was made by Councilmember Carter to take from the table agenda item Concerning Reimbursement Claim by Gerald Stotts on Watson St. Sewer Problem, seconded by Councilmember Grissett and all voted aye.

Hear, Discuss and Act on Reimbursement Claim by Gerald Stotts on Watson St Sewer Problem: Mr. Stotts stated that he presented the City with an invoice in April and it was signed for by someone at City Hall. Mr. Whitfield informed the council that that employee was no longer with the City and he did not have an invoice from Mr. Stotts. After a brief discussion Councilmember Carter made a motion to table this agenda item until the next City Council meeting and receipt of an itemized invoice from Mr. Stotts, seconded by Councilmember Grissett, and all voted aye.

Discuss the Appearance of Department Heads at City Council Meetings: This item was place on the agenda at the request of Councilmember Thorne. Councilmember Grissett stated that he was a part of that request and that he would like to see department heads at City Council meetings at least quarterly. Councilmember Carter agreed. No action was taken.

Deliberate and Act to Approve Departmental/Contractual Reports: (a) Code Enforcement; (b) Municipal Court (c) Electrical; (d) Financials; (e) Fire; (f) Library; (g) Police; (h) Public Works; (i) Animal Shelter; (j) EMS: The reports are on file, the reports were unanimously approved as presented on motion by Councilman Grissett, seconded by Councilman Smith.

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:48 p.m. on motion by Councilman Carter seconded by Councilman Grissett and all voted aye.



Wade Kerley, Mayor

ATTEST:


Michelle Jones
City Secretary

