

**MINEOLA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING - MINEOLA CITY HALL
DECEMBER 16, 2019, 6:00 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT Mayor Kevin White, Council Members Novada Bigham, Jayne Lankford, Sue Jones, Polly Jones, Mitchell Tuck and Greg Hollen

MEMBERS ABSENT None

STAFF PRESENT Cindy Karch, David Madsen, Lynn Kitchens, Justin Clower

OTHERS PRESENT Phil Major, Wood County Monitor

CALL TO ORDER Mayor White called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and confirmed a quorum of the council was present.

Invocation led by Mitchell Tuck and Pledge of Allegiance lead by Greg Hollen

CITIZEN COMMENT – None

PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS - None

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consider approval of minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting on November 25, 2019.
2. Consider approval of the Financial Statement for the month of November, 2019.
3. Consider approval of the Monthly Investment Report for the month of November, 2019.
4. Consider approval of the Monthly Department Head Reports for the month of November, 2019. (Building Inspections, Code Enforcement, Fire, Police, Main Street, Marketing, Street, Water, Wastewater)
5. Consider action to appoint Jack Newman to the Planning & Zoning Commission for a two year term.

Councilmember Sue Jones made the motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Novada Bigham and carried by a unanimous vote.

DISCUSSION ON ACTION ITEMS, PUBLIC HEARINGS, PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

6. Discuss city zoning ordinance, section 6-8, D7, Off-Premise Signs.

Mr. David Madsen explained the current zoning ordinance as it applies to Off-Premise signs and the history of the ordinance.

7. Hold a public hearing on a zoning amendment, Section 6-8, D7, Off-Premise Sign Ordinance.

There were no citizens present for comment. Fire Marshall David Madsen gave a brief overview of the request and said that Planning and Zoning recommended denial. The request comes from a sign owner who received a violation and requested that the city start allowing off-premise signs.

8. Discuss and consider action on an ordinance amending Section 6-8, D.7, Off-Premise Signs.

No motion was made on the item. Failed for lack of motion. Councilmember Sue Jones asked David Madsen to look into a particular off-premise sign that was grandfathered from the ordinance. The sign is on the Mercantile building in the Historic District. Mr. Madsen said the sign is permitted through TxDot and has been allowed to

stay in its current form because it was there prior to the ordinance being passed. Mrs. Jones tasked Mr. Madsen with finding out if there is a way to have it removed and asked for future discussion on the item.

9. Discuss and consider action on whether or not to pursue an ordinance allowing golf carts on city streets.

Discussion was held on the item, but no motion was made. The council discussed their opposition to allowing golf carts on city streets due to the potential danger it imposes on the citizens. Failed for lack of motion.

10. Discuss and consider action on 2020 Meredith Requests.

Councilmember Greg Hollen made the motion to approve the request as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Polly Jones and carried by a unanimous vote.

11. Mayor Comments – regarding matters appearing on the agenda; recognition of community members, city employees, and upcoming events; inquiry of staff regarding specific factual information or existing policies.

Mayor White announced that the May 2, 2020 election is coming up and the dates to file for place on the ballot are January 15th thru February 14th.

12. City Manager Briefing and Announcements

No city manager briefing.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further items for consideration, a motion to adjourn was made and the meeting adjourned.

Kevin White, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cindy Karch, City Secretary