

MINEOLA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING – MINEOLA CITY HALL
Monday, February 27, 2023

Call to order and confirmation of quorum

P	Jayne Lankford, Mayor	P	Mitchell Tuck
A	Sue Jones, Mayor Pro Tem	P	Terry Eaton
P	Eric Carrington	P	Jack Newman
P	Cassandra Sampson	P	Mercy Rushing, City Manager
A	Cindy Karch, City Secretary	A	Blake Armstrong, City Attorney

Staff Present: Lisa Morrison, David Madsen, Kyle McCoy, Chief Charles Bittner, Doris Newman, and Owen Tiner.

Citizens Present: Phil Major with the Wood County Monitor; Cheryl Wood, Heath Kinder, and Peter Woolford.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation led by Councilmember Eaton and pledges led by Councilmember Newman.

Citizen Comment- No citizen comments

Presentations and Proclamations

1. Marketing Presentation; Scenic Texas Certification Program – Owen Tiner

Owen Tiner spoke to the council about the Scenic Texas Certification Program. Mr. Tiner will be gathering all information to apply for the certification.

Consent Agenda

- 2. Consider approval of minutes of the Regular Council Meeting on January 23, 2023.**
- 3. Consider approval of Financial Reports for the month of January 2023.**
- 4. Consider approval of the Monthly Department Head Reports for the month of January 2023. (Building Inspections, Code Enforcement, Fire, Police, Main Street, Marketing, Municipal Court, Street, Water, Wastewater)**
- 5. Consider approval of a Records Destruction Request from the Chief of Police.**
- 6. Consider action on the Mineola Police Department Annual Racial Profile Report for 2022.**
- 7. Consider approval of a Street Closure Request from the Chamber of Commerce for May Fiesta Days on May 6th, 2023.**
- 8. Consider action to appoint Pat Hamlett to the Parks and Open Spaces Advisory board to fill the unexpired term of Neal Duncan.**
- 9. Consider action to appoint Wanda Dubbs and Owen Tiner to the Mineola Civic Center Board of Directors.**

Councilmember Carrington made the motion to approve the consent agenda items. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Eaton and motion carried by unanimous vote.

Discussion on Action Items, Public Hearings, Presentations, and Announcements.

10. Discuss and consider action on an ordinance declaring unopposed candidates in the May 6th, 2023, General City Election, Elected to Office.

Councilmember Newman made the motion to approve an ordinance declaring unopposed candidates in the May 6th, 2023, General City Election, Elected to Office. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Sampson and motion carried by unanimous vote.

11. Discuss and consider action on a replat of Lot 2A Block 292, Mineola Townsites.

Councilmember Sampson made the motion to approve of the replat of Lot 2A Block 292, Mineola Townsites. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Carrington and motion carried by unanimous vote.

12. Discuss and consider action on an Interlocal Agreement with Wood County for Animal Control services for FY 2022-2023 and authorize the mayor to sign the agreement.

Councilmember Eaton made the motion to approve an Interlocal Agreement with Wood County for Animal Control services for FY 2022-2023 and authorize the mayor to sign the agreement. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Newman and motion carried by unanimous vote.

13. Discuss and consider action on a street closure request from the Mineola Main Street & Marketing boards for the Music in May events.

Councilmember Carrington made the motion to approve the street closure request from the Mineola Main Street & Marketing boards for the Music in May events. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Sampson and motion carried by unanimous vote.

14. Discuss and consider action on a street closure request from the Chamber of Commerce for a new event, Savor on the Bricks, on May 16, 2023.

Councilmember Eaton made the motion to approve the street closure request from the Chamber of Commerce for a new event, Savor on the Bricks, on May 16, 2023. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Newman and motion carried by unanimous vote.

15. Discuss and consider action on an ordinance amending Chapter 26 of the Mineola Code of Ordinances, Natural Resources, City Parks, and Open Spaces, user fees.

Councilmember Carrington made the motion to approve an ordinance amending Chapter 26 of the Mineola Code of Ordinances, Natural Resources, City Park, and Open Spaces, user fees. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Eaton and motion carried by unanimous vote.

16. Discuss and consider action on an ordinance amending Chapter 2, Article V., Boards; of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Mineola.

Councilmember Sampson made the motion to approve an ordinance amending Chapter 2, Article V., Boards; of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Mineola. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Tuck and motion carried by unanimous vote.

17. Discuss and consider action on a resolution amending the City Council Relations Code of Ethics

Councilmember Tuck made the motion to postpone action on a resolution amending the City Council Relations Code of Ethics until the March 2023 meeting. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Eaton. Motion failed. Councilmembers Tuck and Eaton for and Councilmembers Sampson, Carrington, and Newman opposed. Mayor Lankford opened it up for more discussion and questions.

Councilmember Newman made the motion to approve a resolution amending the City Council Relations Code of Ethics. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Carrington and motion carried by unanimous vote.

18. Discuss and consider action on a resolution amending Resolution 22-04-11-1; approving the recommendation of the Selection Review Committee to award by resolution for engineering services for the City's American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 funding for project related services and project implementation.

Councilmember Newman made the motion to approve a resolution amending Resolution 22-04-11-1: approving the recommendation of the Selection Review Committee to award by resolution for engineering services the City's American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 funding for project related services and project implementation. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Sampson and motion carried by unanimous vote.

19. Discuss and consider action on a resolution amending Resolution 22-04-11-2; approving the recommendation of the Selection Review Committee to award by resolution for architectural services for the City's American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 funding for project related services and project implementation.

Councilmember Carrington made the motion to approve Resolution 22-04-11-2; approving the recommendation of the Selection Review Committee to award by resolution for architectural services for the City's American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 funding for project related services and project implementation. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Sampson and motion carried by unanimous vote.

20. Discuss and consider action on bid acceptance for the ARPA Historical Museum Update Project to Smith Builders & Developers.

Councilmember Eaton made the motion to accept the bid for the ARPA Historical Museum Update to Smith Builders & Developers. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Sampson and the motion carried by unanimous vote.

21. Executive Session: The City Council convened into executive session at 6:12 p.m. pursuant to Texas Government Code section 551.072, deliberations regarding real property.

The City Council reconvened into Regular session at 6:42 p.m.

22. Mayors Comments – Spring Cleanup

Mayor Lankford asked the councilmembers if they would be interested in heading up a committee in their Wards in March for Spring Cleanup. Public Works Director offered five dump trucks to help the citizens that do not have a way to bring their items to the Spring Cleanup.

23. City Manager Briefing and Announcements

City Manager Mercy Rushing briefed the council on Sesquicentennial yearlong activities; sales tax; employee recognition and read thank you notes.

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

Jayne Lankford, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cindy Karch, City Secretary