

MINEOLA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING – MINEOLA CITY HALL
Monday, June 26, 2023

Call to order and confirmation of quorum

P	Jayne Lankford, Mayor	P	Mitchell Tuck
P	Sue Jones, Mayor Pro Tem	P	Terry Eaton
P	Eric Carrington	P	Jack Newman
P	Cassandra Sampson	P	Mercy Rushing, City Manager
p	Cindy Karch, City Secretary (left early)	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; Patricia Keys-McShan, Nancy, Larry McMillan, Wilford Jones, and Robert Phillips.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation led by Councilmember Eaton and pledges led by Mayor Lankford.

Citizen Comment- No citizen comments

Presentations and Proclamations

1. Incoming Council – Administer Oath of Office
Jack Newman, Ward 2

Cindy Karch, City Secretary/Financial Director administered the oath of office for Councilmember Newman.

Consent Agenda

2. Consider approval of minutes of the Regular Council Meeting on May 22, 2023.
3. Consider approval of Financial Reports for the month of May 2023.
4. Consider approval of the Monthly Department Head Reports for the month of May 2023. (Building Inspections, Code Enforcement, Fire, Police, Main Street, Marketing, Municipal Court, Street, Water, Wastewater)
5. Consider approval of a resolution designating Carol Taylor and Angela Luman as assigned agents to calculate the no-new revenue tax rate and the voter approved tax rate.

Councilmember Sampson made the motion to approve the consent agenda items. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Jones and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

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

6. Chief Charles Bittner to discuss the TxDOT STEP Grant.

Chief Bittner explained the TxDOT STEP Grant to the council. **Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP)** projects reimburse for overtime activities by local law enforcement to reduce crashes by focusing enforcement efforts on reducing the incidence of speeding, and no seatbelts.

7. Discuss and consider action on a street closure request from Ronnie Gorman of RG Car Shows on October 28, 2023, for the Iron Horse Car Show.

Councilmember Carrington made the motion to table the discussion and consideration on a street closure request from Ronnie Gorman of RG Car Show on October 28, 2023, for the Iron Horse Car Show. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Eaton and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

8. Discuss and consider action on an Interlocal Agreement with East Texas Council of Governments (ETCOG) for Public Safety Answering Points (PSAP) from September 1, 2023, to August 31, 2025.

Councilmember Jones made the motion to approve an Interlocal Agreement with East Texas Council of Governments (ETCOG) for Public Safety Answering Points (PSAP) from September 1, 2023, to August 31, 2025. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Eaton and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

9. Hold a public hearing on an ordinance for a Specific Use permit for a Manufactured Home on Lots 8C, 8A and 9A Block 33 Mineola Townsites, 500 block of Giraud Street.

Mayor Lankford opened the public hearing on an ordinance for a Specific Use permit for a Manufacturer Home on Lots 8C, 8A and 9A Block 33 Mineola Townsites, 500 Block of Giraud Street. With no public comment Mayor Lankford closed the hearing.

10. Discuss and consider action an ordinance for a Specific Use permit for a Manufactured Home on Lots 8C, 8A and 9A Block 33 Mineola Townsites, 500 block of Giraud Street.

Councilmember Sampson made the motion to approve an ordinance for a Specific Use permit for a Manufactured Home on Lots 8C, 8A and 9A Block 33 Mineola Townsites, 500 Block of Giraud Street. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Newman and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

11. Discuss and consider action on a replat of Lots 8C, 8A and 9A Block 33 Mineola Townsites, 500 Block of Giraud Street.

Councilmember Eaton made the motion to approve the replat of Lots 8C, 8A, and 9A Block 33 Mineola Townsites, 500 Block of Giraud Street. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Tuck, motion carried by unanimous vote.

12. Discuss and consider action on using city owned property for a medical helipad.

David Madsen, Fire Marshal explained moving the medical helipad to city owned property at the end of Bromberg. Councilmember Eaton made the motion to approve using city owned property for a medical helipad. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Carrington, motion carried by unanimous vote.

13. Discuss and consider action on an ordinance amending the Mineola Code of Ordinances; Grease Traps.

Discussion and considered action on an ordinance amending the Mineola Code of Ordinances; Grease Traps was tabled.

14. Public Works Director briefing – brush and limb pickup.

Kyle McCoy, the public works director informed the council the older brush truck had been down for three months, and the new brush truck was also in the shop. Residents are being asked to take brush and limbs to the end of Bromberg.

15. City Manager Briefing and Announcements.

a. 1888 Plaza Project

City Manager, Mercy Rushing briefed the council on the 1888 Plaza Project and showed them the renderings provided by SPI engineering. Ms. Rushing also informed the council of all the events coming up for the month of July. With a heavy heart Ms. Rushing informed the council of the passing of both Ex Mayor-Bo Whitus and Mr. Johnny Paul Bigham, EX Councilmember Novada Bigham’s husband.

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