

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

**Call to order and confirmation of quorum**

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| A | 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 | P | Blake Armstrong, City Attorney |

**Staff Present:** Lisa Morrison, David Madsen, Kyle McCoy, Justin Clower, Aaron Munn, Chief Bittner, Doris Newman, and Owen Tiner.

**Citizens Present:** Phil Major with the Wood County Monitor; Patrick Wood and Patrick McArthur from Perdue Brandon Fielder Collins & Mott LLP; Vincent Colvin, Edwin Henry, Ida Henry, Joe Tave, Rosalind Russell Walton, and other citizens.

**Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**

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

**Citizen Comment-** No citizen comments

**Presentations and Proclamations**

1. Koni Riley with Dance Dimensions to present a gift to the Mineola Nature Preserve.

Koni Riley with Dance Dimensions presented a gift of \$500.00 to the Public Works and Parks Director Kyle McCoy for the Mineola Nature Preserve.

2. Perdue Brandon to present to the council on Property Tax and Municipal Court collections.

Patrick Woods and Patrick McArthur from Perdue Brandon present to the council a report on Property Tax and Municipal Court collections.

3. Presentation of a proclamation honoring the Outstanding Football Players of Addie E. McFarland High School.

Councilmember Sampson read a proclamation honoring the Outstanding Football Player of Addie E. McFarland High School proclaiming the 27th day of November as MCFARLAND BEARS ATHLETES' DAY for all football players and three Hall of Famers Joe Lawrence Tave, Marvin Howard Sampson and Alfred Lloyd Tennyson and we urge our citizens to join in unity and honor them.

**Consent Agenda**

4. Consider approval of minutes of the Regular Council Meeting on October 23, 2023.
5. Consider approval of Financial Reports for the month of October 2023.

6. Consider approval of the Monthly Department Head Reports for the month of October 2023. (Building Inspections, Code Enforcement, Fire, Police, Main Street, Marketing, Municipal Court, Street, Water, Wastewater)
7. Consider approval of Mineola Economic Development Corporation board reappointments; Ellen Brooke, Gary McKinley, and Becky Moore, each for a two-year term.
8. Consider action on a RESOLUTION casting vote for Sam Curry to be elected to the Board of Directors for the Wood County Appraisal District for the 2024-2025 term.
9. Consider approval of a street closure request from the Lake Country Playhouse for Dec 2, 2023, for a Celtic Christmas.
10. Consider approval of a street closure request from the City of Mineola on Friday Dec 1, 2023, for a Snow Hill & Play Area.
11. Consider approval of a street closure request from The Line for Saturday, Dec 16, 2023, for their First Annual Chili Cookoff.
12. Consider approval of a Records Destruction Request from the Chief of Police.

Councilmember Eaton made the motion to approve the consent agenda items with the correction to the October 23, 2023, minutes on agenda item 16 from Bar S to Bar 20. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sampson and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

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

13. Discuss and consider action on renaming city streets.

Edwin Henry, Ida Henry, Rosalind Russell Walton, Joe Tave, Vicent Colvin, spoke on the renaming of portion of Padgett Street to Tuck Drive.

Councilmember Sampson made the motion to change the part of Padgett Street to Hickman Street. Motion dies, due to lack of second.

Councilmember Newman made a motion to change part of Padgett Street to Bar 20 Street. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Sampson, Councilmember Newman and Sampson voted for and Councilmembers Eaton, Tuck, and Carrington voted against the name change, motion failed.

The portion of Padgett Street that was named Tuck Drive will stand as is.

14. Annexation – Mineola Economic Development Corporation:
  - a. Hold a Public Hearing to hear comments on adopting an ORDINANCE to annex and zone approximately 6.3661 Acres, Hamilton A Survey A-285, as requested by the Mineola Economic Development Corporation.

Mayor Pro Tem Jones opened the public hearing at 6:49 pm with no comments, the public hearing closed at 6:50 pm.

- b. Discuss and consider action on adopting an Annexation Service Plan between the City of Mineola and the Mineola Economic Development Corporation for approx. 6.3661 Acres, Hamilton A Survey A-285.

Councilmember Newman made a motion to approve adopting an Annexation Service Plan between the City of Mineola and Mineola Economic Development Corporation for approx. 6.3661 Acres, Hamilton A Survey A-285. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Eaton, motion carried by unanimous vote.

- c. Discuss and consider action on adopting an ORDINANCE to annex and zone approximately 6.3661 Acres, Hamilton A Survey A-285, as requested by the Mineola Economic Development Corporation.

Councilmember Newman made a motion to approve adopting an ORDINANCE to annex and zone approximately 6.3661 Acres, Hamilton A Survey A-285, as requested by the Mineola Economic Development Corporation. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Carrington, motion carried by unanimous vote.

15. Annexation – Mineola Independent School District:

- a. Hold a Public Hearing to hear comments on adopting an ORDINANCE to annex and zone 13.849 Acres, S. English Survey, A-188, Wood County, as requested by the Mineola Independent School District.

Mayor Pro-Tem Jones opened the public hearing at 6:53 pm and with no public comments the public hearing closed at 6:54 pm.

- b. Discuss and consider action on adopting an Annexation Service Plan between the City of Mineola and the Mineola Independent School District for approx. 13.849 Acres, S. English Survey, A-188.

Councilmember Sampson made the motion to adopt an Annexation Service Plan between the City of Mineola and Mineola Independent School District for approx. 13.849 Acres, S. English Survey, A-188. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Carrington, motion carried by unanimous vote.

- c. Discuss and consider action on adopting an ORDINANCE to annex and zone approximately 13.849 Acres, S. English Survey, A-188, as requested by the Mineola Independent School District.

Councilmember Eaton made the motion to adopt an ORDINANCE to annex and zone approximately 13.849 Acres, S. English Survey, A-188, as requested by the Mineola Independent School District. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sampson, motion carried by unanimous vote.

16. Public Works Director briefing on Conaway Homes project.

The Public Works Director briefing on Conaway Homes project was postponed.

17. City Manager Briefing and Announcements.

- a. April 8<sup>th</sup> Solar Eclipse
- b. Upcoming events and activities.

City Manager Mercy Rushing briefed the council on the planned activities for the April 8<sup>th</sup> Solar Eclipse and the upcoming events and activities.

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

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Jayne Lankford, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Cindy Karch, City Secretary