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CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

November 4, 2024 at 7:00 PM
Hewitt Public Safety Facility - Training Rm., 100 Patriot Court, Hewitt, TX 76643

MINUTES

Steve Fortenberry, Mayor: Ward 3, – **Erica Bruce**, Mayor Pro Tem: Ward 3
Michael S. Bancale, Council Member: At-Large – **Johnny Stephens**, Council Member: Ward 1
Bob Potter, Council Member: Ward 2 – **Brad Turner,** Council Member: Ward 1
Vacant Seat, Council Member: Ward 2

REGULAR MEETING - 7:00 PM

DECLARATION OF A QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Steve Fortenberry called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 PM, announced all members were present, and declared a quorum.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Steve Fortenberry led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The City Council invites citizens to speak on any topic not already scheduled for a public hearing. The Texas Open Meetings Act prohibits the Council from discussing, responding to, or acting on any comments or items not posted on the agenda. (Note: Citizens who wish to speak must complete a "Public Comment Form" and present it to the City Secretary before the meeting.)

Mayor Steve Fortenberry read the statement above and inquired if the City Secretary had received any public comment forms. The City Secretary did not receive any public comment forms.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

1. Approval of the City Council Workshop/Regular Meeting minutes held on October 21, 2024.

   MOTION: Council Member Bob Potter moved approval of the minutes as presented but allow for corrections.
   SECOND: Council Member Michael Bancale
   AYES: Bancale, Potter, Stephens, Turner, Bruce, and Fortenberry
   NAYES: None
   ABSENT: None
   MOTION PASSED.

2. Discussion and possible action on **Resolution No. 2024-11** establishing water and wastewater rates for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.
City Manager Bo Thomas presented a recap of the November 4, 2024, Workshop presentation.
MOTION: Mayor Pro Tem Erica Bruce moved to approve **Resolution No. 2024-11,** establishing water and wastewater rates for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.
SECOND: Council Member Bob Potter
AYES: Bancale, Potter, Stephens, Turner, Bruce, and Fortenberry
NAYES: None
ABSENT: None
MOTION PASSED.

3. Discussion and possible action on **Resolution No. 2024-12** approving the financing terms of Cogent Bank for a term of five (5) years at 4% for the financing of various vehicles and equipment.
City Manager Bo Thomas presented.
MOTION: Council Member Brad Turner moved to approve **Resolution No. 2024-12,** accepting the financing terms of Cogent Bank for five (5) years at 4% for the financing of various vehicles and equipment.
SECOND: Council Member Johnny Stephens
AYES: Bancale, Potter, Stephens, Turner, Bruce, and Fortenberry
NAYES: None
ABSENT: None
MOTION PASSED.

4. Discussion and possible action on **Resolution No. 2024-13** casting votes to elect the Directors for the McLennan Central Appraisal District for the year 2025.
City Manager Bo Thomas presented.
MOTION: Council Member Brad Turner moved to approve **Resolution No. 2024-13**, casting votes to elect the Directors for the McLennan Central Appraisal District for 2025 as follows: George Chase - 14; Jonathan Green - 14; John Kinnaird - 14; Mildred Watkins - 14; and Ben Perry - 15.
SECOND: Mayor Pro Tem Erica Bruce
AYES: Bancale, Potter, Stephens, Turner, Bruce, and Fortenberry
NAYES: None
ABSENT: None
MOTION PASSED.

5. Discussion and possible action on rescheduling the City Council meetings for the month of December 2024.
City Manager Bo Thomas presented.
MOTION: Council Member Michael Bancale moved to approve rescheduling the City Council meetings in December so that only one meeting will be held on December 9, 2024.
SECOND: Council Member Bob Potter
AYES: Bancale, Potter, Stephens, Turner, Bruce, and Fortenberry
NAYES: None
ABSENT: None
MOTION PASSED.

ADJOURNMENT
MOTION: Mayor Pro Tem Erica Bruce moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:23 P.M.
SECOND: Council Member Brad Turner
AYES: Bancale, Potter, Stephens, Turner, Bruce, and Fortenberry
NAYES: None
ABSENT: None
MOTION PASSED.

Approved: 11-18-2024

ATTEST:

Lydia Lopez, City Secretary

Steve Fortenberry, Mayor