

Minutes

Special City Council Meeting City Council Meeting

CITY OF SIMONTON

Tuesday February 12, 2019

This is a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Special City Council Meeting Meeting of the Simonton City Council held on Tuesday February 12, 2019 at 6:30 PM.

1. Call to Order. *Mayor Boudreaux called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. A quorum was present:*

Mayor Laurie Boudreaux, Mayor Pro Tem Jeff Young, Jake Davis, Shae Butts, Sandy Bohannon, Stacey Gootee

Council Members absent: none

City Staff present: City Administrator Jennifer Jones Ward, City Secretary Erica Molina, City Engineer Charles Kalkomey

Public Present: Becky Wilson, Kristi Smith, Stephan Sear, ron Thibodeaux, Dean Kolkman, sheri Buck, Tina Young Lisa Conian, Ray Warr, Kevin Malo, jeff Nelson, Jim Ingram, Colt Melrose, Janice Olive, Brett Boudreaux, Roberto Molina, Melissa Green, Karen Sabrsula, jennifer hakala, brian hakala, Karen Godec, Barbara Minton, Jeff Wilson, Janet Griffin

2. Invocation and Pledge *led by Jeff Young*
3. Public Comments: *Mayor explained that Public Comments are available for citizens that want to address an issue NOT on the Agenda for tonight's meeting.*
4. Consider and take action on the Consent Agenda:
 - a. Approve minutes from October 16, 2018 Regular City Council Meeting
 - b. Approve minutes from December 11, 2018 Regular City Council Meeting
 - c. Approve Minutes from January 15, 2019 Regular City Council Meeting

Motion by Councilmember Jake Davis to approve the Consent Agenda.

Councilmember Gootee seconded.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Passed
5. New Business
 - a. Consider and take action on accepting the bid and awarding the contract for Phase 1 of the Internal Drainage Project

Motion by Councilmember Davis to Approve acceptance of bid and awarding of contract for Internal Drainage Project Phase 1 to Wadeconn.. councilmember gootee seconded.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Passed

Notes: City Engineer explained about trimming the project and supplied documentation of bids that were received for the internal drainage project. 4 total bids were received. Recommendation to award contract to WadeConn for \$189,000 and 45 day completion. Mayor asked Engineer how long it will take to get contract drawn up and executed and was told it would be 1-2 weeks. So we are tentatively looking at a start date in the 2nd week of March.

b. Consider and take action to call the General Election on May 4, 2019 to elect 3 council at large positions.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Young to Approve calling of the May 4, 2019 General Election to elect 3 council Members at large. Councilmember Bohannon seconded.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Passed

c. Consider and take action to call the Special Election on May 4, 2019 to renew the sales tax rate of 1/4 of 1%.

Motion by Councilmember Davis to approve calling of special election to renew sales and use tax rate of 1/4 of 1%. Councilmember Butts seconded.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Passed

d. Review and Update of Capital Improvement Drainage Project

No Action Needed

Notes: External Drainage Project is a GO. Easement has been filed and recorded with the county. And the interlocal has been drawn up for the county to do the work. Screw Gates and culverts for the project have been ordered as on Monday, Feb. 11th. 6-8 week manufacturing on those. County will maintain this easement and culverts per our interlocal agreement with them.

e. Review and Update of Capital Improvement Roads Project and Current Road Condition

No Action Needed

Notes: Public comments from resident Kristi Smith 36630 Canyon requesting alternate options to the crushed concrete the county uses as their road base. Per

county, only other option is dirty gravel which is in short supply. Mrs. Smith suggested crushed granite or clean crushed concrete. She had with her items that she had picked up on the roads that the crushed concrete was applied to, metal fragments etc. she picked up with a magnet.

Ray Warr commented that Mrs. Smith did not represent all of valley lodge and he was happy with his road (Maverick). Mrs. Smith requested that the city never allow county to dump crushed concrete in Simonton again. City Administrator addressed Mrs. Smith's concerns about the road relaying the following information: We have an interlocal with the county to fix roads. We pay for materials they provide the labor. The City of Simonton has 350,000 dollars budgeted for roads in the 2018-2019 budget. We have some FEMA grants for road repair from the 2016 flood, for sections, not whole roads. But the city will be covering the added expense to do full overlays on those roads covered in the grant. Sheri Buck who lives on indian commented that she has large boulders on her road as well. City Administrator refreshed the audience on road base and how that fits into our eventual road repairs. Also the citizens were reminded that road repairs cannot begin until internal drainage is completed because of the damage the equipment could cause.

6. Reports

- a. Mayor's Report: *The Mayor thanked the volunteers that came out on February 2nd to clean out the city hall garage and re-organize. She also reminded citizens that mayor and council cannot reply to the comments on their neighborhood social media page and encouraged them to voice their complaints to city hall directly.*
- b. City Administrator's Report: *City Administrator Ward advised that screw Gates and Culverts have been ordered for external drainage. She also had some updates for a new GLO grant that the city is going out for to purchase additional pumps an hoses and housing for said equipment as well as some technology updates for EOC.*
- c. City Councilmember Report

Adjournment.

Motion by Councilmember Gootee to adjourn at 7:43 PM. Councilmember Butts seconded.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Passed

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor

City Secretary