

CITY OF HUBBARD

MARY ALDERMAN, Mayor
JASON PATRICK, City Manager
DIANA HALL, City Secretary
CAROL WALLACE, Utility Clerk

KENNETH BALDWIN, Mayor Pro-Tem
SIMONE JOHNSON, Alderman
CHRIS WILKINS-SPIGENER, Court Clerk

ROGER LYNCH, Alderman
WAYNE TAYLOR, Alderman
MARTY KIMBROUGH, Alderman

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING SEPTEMBER 12, 2023

Call to Order, Proof of Posting, Proof of Notification

Mayor, Mary Alderman called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and announced a quorum was present with Kenneth Baldwin, Wayne Taylor, Roger Lynch, Marty Kimbrough and Simone Johnson. Followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

INFORMAL CITIZEN COMMENTS (open for 5 minutes only) - Mr. Hunter Barnes was present and announced his candidacy for Hill County Sheriff. Mr. Hunter discussed his desires for the county and provided a history of his personal life and accomplishments.

- I. **PUBLIC HEARING** – Mayor Alderman opened the public hearing for discussion.
 - A. Specific Use Permit Application – Russell and Rainey Bennett were present requesting to move in a 1,370 sq ft house at 109 Pecan Street. *No opposition from surrounding residents.*
 - B. Notice of Tax Increase - the proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, the City of Hubbard is not required to hold an election at which voters may accept or reject the proposed tax rate. However, you may express your support for or opposition to the proposed tax rate at this time. *No comments*

II. AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Specific Use Permit Application for Russell and Rainey Bennett.

Wayne Taylor made the motion to approve Russell and Rainey Bennett’s specific use permit application requesting to move in a 1,370 sq ft house at 109 Pecan Street, approve closing abandoned alleyway and transferring alley to the Bennett’s; contingent upon adjoining neighbors signing a waiver relinquishing their rights to a portion of the alley; seconded by Kenneth Baldwin. The vote was 5 to 0. Motion carried.

- B. **Ordinance 092023-36 adopting the 2023/2024 fiscal year budget.**

Simone Johnson made the motion to approve Ordinance 092023-36 adopting the 2023/2024 fiscal year budget; seconded by Roger Lynch. The vote was 5 to 0. Motion carried.

- C. **Ordinance 092023-37 levying an Ad Valorem Tax Rate of \$.6523/\$100 for maintenance and operations and Ad Valorem Tax Rate of \$.2347/\$100 for Interest and Sinking for the Debt Service Fund of the City of Hubbard for the year 2023; applicable to all real personal and mixed property situated within the City of Hubbard.**

Marty Kimbrough made the motion to approve levying an ad-valorem tax rate of \$.6523/\$100 for maintenance and operations and ad-valorem tax rate of \$.2347/\$100 for Interest and Sinking Fund for Debt Service; seconded by Simone Johnson. The vote was 5 to 0. Motion carried.

D. 2023 tax rate to ratify the property tax increase.

Roger Lynch made the motion to ratify the 2023 property tax increase; seconded by Marty Kimbrough. The vote was 5 to 0. Motion carried.

E. Hubbard Economic Development 2023-2024 fiscal year budget.

Simone Johnson made the motion to approve the HEDC's 2023-2024 fiscal year budget; seconded by Wayne Taylor. The vote was 5 to 0. Motion carried.

F. Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between Hubbard ISD and City of Hubbard to confirm a School Resource Officer.

Marty Kimbrough made the motion to approve the signed Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with Hubbard ISD paying 70% of the salary for a School Resource Officer and City contributing 30%; seconded by Simone Johnson. The vote was 5 to 0. Motion carried.

G. August 15, 2023 minutes.

Wayne Taylor made the motion to approve the August 15, 2023 minutes; seconded by Roger Lynch. The vote was 5 to 0. Motion carried.

H. August financials.

Roger Lynch made the motion to approve the August financials; seconded by Simone Johnson. The vote was 5 to 0. Motion carried.

III. MONTHLY REPORTS

A. City Manager, Jason Patrick reported on the following: motor on well has exhausted itself due to hole in pipe, pipe was repaired but still losing water; well pump and motor will be replaced and paid by bond money; will look into filing an insurance claim on motor and pump; discussed using chromium pipe in the new well due to the minerals in the water and will be best for longevity; 75% of the housing project is complete; HEDC has considered removing the billboard at the corner of Hwy 31 and 171 due to possible liability; 15' feet of easement will be utilized thru town to create ditches; no update from KSA regarding water study and police department has been busy.

B. Kenneth Baldwin reported on the Fire Department's monthly activity: calls for service – August 58 and as of this date 27 for September; 371 for the year and all trucks are back in service.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Roger Lynch made the motion to adjourn the regular session; seconded by Simone Johnson. The vote was 5 to 0. Motion carried.

Mary Alderman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Diana Hall, City Secretary