

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES City Council – City of Quitman, Texas Thursday, September 7th, 2023, 6:00 PM

Quitman City Hall, 401 E. Goode Street, Quitman, TX

Council Members Present: Randy Dunn, Mayor; Mayor Pro tem David Dobbs; Jack Robinson, Alderman; Todd Wright, Alderman; and Brad Medlin, Alderman

Staff Present: James Attaway, City Secretary/Administrator; Sheryl Laudenslager, Assistant City Secretary

Council Members Absent: Steve Glenn, Alderman

Staff Absent: Lauren Doan, Municipal Judge

Media: None

1. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>

Mayor Randy Dunn called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., in the City Hall, 401 E. Goode St., Quitman, Texas, 75783.

WORSHOP

- A. Mr. Lance Flores, from Hilltop Securities, addressed the council about investment opportunities for the City of Quitman. He specially talked about the two funds, Tex Star and Tex Logic. Mr. Flores said Hilltop Securities' objectives would be nested with the city's objectives and were the following: 1. Safety of the principal 2. Liquidity of principal 3. Return on Investment
- B. The Assistant City Secretary and Finance Director, Mrs. Sheryl Laudenslager, addressed the council about the proposed FYE 2024 budget. Mrs. Laudenslager spoke about the General Fund Revenue and Expense Summary and Utility Fund Summary to prepare the council to vote on the FYE 2024's budget on the Regular City Council Meeting scheduled for September 21st, 2023.
- 2. <u>INVOCATION:</u> Mayor Randy Dunn.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES FLAG AND THE TEXAS FLAG:

Mayor Pro tem David Dobbs

4. **COMMENTS**

A. Citizens Comments: Ms. Danielle Patton, owner of Dani's Sidekicks, made comments about parking on the north side of the courthouse square in front of her business. She stated most of the

parking spots were taken by county employees, which did not leave room for her customers to park. She also mentioned that there were not any handicapped parking spots near her business and that her neighbor, Attorney Mark Breding, has told her and some of her customers that he would have any vehicles parked in his spaces towed. Ms. Patton went on to describe the poor condition of the sidewalks around her business and hoped they would be improved soon.

B. Mayor Comments: Mayor Dunn made comments about Mayor Pro tem Dobb's father passing away recently. He expressed his and the city's condolences to the family.

5. <u>DISCUSSION/ACTIONS ITEMS</u>

A. Discussion and possible action to approve an ordinance granting Atmos Energy Corporation a franchise to construct, maintain, and operate pipelines and equipment in the city of Quitman.

The motion to approve an ordinance granting Atmos Energy Corporation a franchise to construct, maintain, and operate pipelines and equipment in the city of Quitman was made by Mayor Pro tem Dobbs and seconded by Alderman Brad Medlin. The motion passed unanimously.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Quitman City Council approves an ordinance granting Atmos Energy Corporation a franchise to construct, maintain, and operate pipelines and equipment in the city of Quitman.

B. Discussion and possible action to appoint new members to the Quitman Planning and Zoning Commission and appoint a new Chair.

The motion to appointment Mr. Lynn Emmert and Alderman Steve Glenn to the Planning and Zoning Commission and appoint Mr. Mike Midkiff as the Chair of the Planning and Zoning Commission was made by Alderman Jack Robinson and seconded by Alderman Todd Wright. The motion passed unanimously.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Quitman City Council approves the appointment of Mr. Lynn Emmert and Alderman Steve Glenn to the Planning and Zoning Commission and the appointment of Mr. Mike Midkiff as the Chair of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

C. Discussion and possible action to approve an ordinance to facilitate traffic flow during after school pickup on Paul Street.

No action was taken on this item.

D. Discussion and possible action to approve the FY 2024 City of Quitman Investment Policy.

The motion to approve the FY 2024 City of Quitman Investment Policy was made by Mayor Pro tem Dobbs and seconded by Alderman Brad Medlin. The motion passed unanimously.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Quitman City Council approves the FY 2024 City of Quitman Investment Policy.

E. Discussion and possible action to approve an Approved Broker List for city investments per the City of Quitman Investment Policy.

The motion to approve add Hilltop Securities to the FY 2024 Broker List for the City of Quitman was made by Alderman Todd Wright and seconded by Alderman Jack Robinson. The motion passed unanimously.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Quitman City Council approved adding Hilltop Securities to the FY 2024 Broker List for the City of Quitman.

F. Discussion and possible action to approve a new holiday schedule for city staff.

The motion to approve new holiday schedule for the City of Quitman staff was made by Alderman Jack Robinson and seconded by Alderman Todd Wright.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Quitman City Council approved new holiday schedule for the City of Quitman staff new holiday schedule.

- G. Executive Session
 - a. Personnel Matter, Section 551.074

No action was taken.

b. Deliberation regarding Real Property, Section 551.072

No action was taken.

6. ADJOURN

The following motion was made by Alderman Brad Medlin and seconded by Alderman Jack Robinson. The motion passed unanimously.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Quitman City Council officially adjourned at 7:44 PM.

Randy Dunn

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Secretary/Administrator