



**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
**City Council – City of Quitman, Texas**  
Thursday, May 18th, 2023, 6:00 PM

**Shamburger Community Room,  
Quitman Public Library – 202 E. Goode Street, Quitman, TX**

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

**Staff Present:** Walter Lutonsky, Streets Director, Dee Gilbreath, Utilities Director, John Farmer, Police Chief; Scott Wheeler, Fire Chief, Delene Allen, Civic Services Director; Jim McLeroy, City Attorney; Rodney Kieke, City Secretary/Administrator (outgoing); and James Attaway, City Secretary/Administrator.

**Council Members Absent:** none

**Staff Absent:** Lauren Doan, Municipal Judge

**Media:** Phil Major; Wood County Monitor

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Randy Dunn called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., in the Shamburger Community Room at the Quitman Library, 202 E. Goode St., Quitman, Texas, 75783.

**2. INVOCATION:** Mayor Pro tem, David Dobbs.

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

**4. COMMENTS**

**A) Citizen Comments**

- 1) Gene Keenon, with Republic Services, addressed the City Council and presented a \$1,000 check to be split between Quitman PD and FD.
- 2) Sally Attaway addressed the City Council to express her to say thank your from the Wood County Child Protection board for allowing them to use the Civic Center for their Candlelight Vigil. She also wanted to thank Sheryl Laudenslager for her support.

- 3) Jane Herring addressed the City Council to thank them for their service and expressed her support to have a Quitman ISD graduate as the City Administrator.
- 4) Jason Hastings, with O'Rileys Auto Parts, addressed the City Council to say thank you for allowing O'Rileys to be in Quitman. He also invited everyone to the Grand Opening celebration, which is scheduled for June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023.
- 5) Chris Kirkland addressed the City Council about the Old Towner Apartments located on Winnsboro and Oak Grove St. He is concerned about the lack of demolition and the unsightliness of the site.

**B) Mayor Comments**

- Mayor Randy Dunn deferred his comments to make a presentation to Mr. Kevin Taylor for his retirement after 37 years of faithful and loyal service to the City of Quitman.
- Mayor Dunn Jennifer Alden, from U.S. Representative Lance Gooden's office, shared that Congressman Gooden was able to secure \$6,000,000 in federal funding for the Memory Health Life C

**5. PRESENTATIONS**

- A. Kevin Taylor Retirement recognition was made during the Mayor's Comments.

**6. CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Consider Approval of April 20, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes.
- B. Consider Approval of Financial Reports as of April 30, 2023.
- C. Consider Approval of Budget Reports as of April 30, 2023.
- D. Consider Approval of April 2023 Departmental Reports.

The following motion was made by Alderman Robinson and seconded by Alderman Wright. The motion passed unanimously.

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED**, that the Quitman City Council approved the Meeting minutes, Departmental and Financial Reports as presented.

8. **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

- A. Discussion and possible action to approve a QDC spend of \$20,000 to support the Memory Health Life Center funding request.

The following motion was made by Alderman Glenn to approve and seconded by Alderman Robinson. The motion passed unanimously.

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED**, that the Quitman City Council Approved spend of \$20,000 to support the Memory Health Life Center funding request.

- B. Discussion and possible action to approve spending Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds on targeted city projects, to include: painting of 50,000 gallon water tank, smoke and capacity testing of wastewater lines, and to begin replacing water meters.

The following motion was made by Mayor Pro tem Dobbs to approve and seconded by Alderman Medlin. The motion passed unanimously.

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED**, that the Quitman City Council the spending of the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds on aforementioned city projects.

- C. Discussion and Possible action to approve the repair of Richards Street between S. Main St and McAllister St.

A motion was made by Alderman Robinson and seconded by Alderman Wright to table this discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

- D. Executive Session – Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters). Possible Action to follow.


The council entered into executive session at 6:45 PM  
The council re-entered general session at 7:11 PM

No Action was taken.


9. **ADJOURN**

The following motion was made by Alderman Medlin and seconded by Alderman Glenn. The motion passed unanimously.

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED**, that the Quitman City Council officially adjourned at 7:12 PM.

  
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Randy Dunn  
Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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James A. Attaway, III  
City Secretary/Administrator