

REGULAR CALLED CITY COMMISSION MEETING

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2021 – 5:00 P.M.
KENNETH T. NUNN COUNCIL ROOM – CITY HALL

A Regular Called Meeting of the City Commission was held on Wednesday, September 15, 2021, at 5:00 P.M. in the Kenneth T. Nunn Council Room in City Hall, Texas City, Texas. A quorum having been met, the meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Dedrick Johnson, Sr.

1. ROLL CALL

Present: Dedrick Johnson, Mayor
Thelma Bowie, Commissioner At-Large, Mayor Pro Tem
Kevin Yackly, Commissioner At-Large
Keith Henry, Commissioner District 1
Felix Herrera, Commissioner District 2
Dorthea Jones Pointer, Commissioner District 3
Jami Clark, Commissioner District 4

2. INVOCATION

Led by Rev. Jerry Lee of Greater Bell Zion Baptist Church.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Commissioner Felix Herrera.

4. PROCLAMATION

- a. Daughters of the American Revolution proclaiming September 17-23, 2021, as "Constitution Week."

5. REPORTS

- a. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 21-068, accepting and implementing the Community Matters 2030 Report (Mayor)

Motion by Commissioner District 2 Felix Herrera, Seconded by Commissioner At-Large, Mayor Pro Tem Thelma Bowie

Vote: 6 - 0 CARRIED

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

Commissioner Keith Henry entered the meeting.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approve City Commission Minutes for September 1, 2021 meeting. (City Secretary)

Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED

- b. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 21-069, approving the updated Circulation Policy for the Moore Memorial Library. (Library)

Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED

- c. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 21-070, approving appointments/ re-appointments for various Boards, Commissions, and Committees. (Management Services)

Motion by Mayor Dedrick Johnson, Seconded by Commissioner District 3 Dorthea Jones Pointer to approve all appointments and re-appointments except for the Housing Authority Board.

Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED

- d. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 21-071 authorizing the submission of nominations for the Galveston County Central Appraisal District Board of Directors for two-year terms, beginning January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2023. (Management Services)

Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED

- e. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 21-072, approving appointments and/ or re-appointments of Municipal Court Judges. (Management Services)

Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED

- f. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 21-073 approving the City of Texas City Investment Policy. (Finance)

Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED

8. REGULAR ITEMS

- a. Consider and take action, by record vote, on Ordinance No. 21-22, levying an ad valorem tax for the year 2021 for the City of Texas City. (Finance)

Mayor Dedrick Johnson, Sr. ---Aye
Commissioner At-Large, Mayor Pro Tem Thelma Bowie ---Aye
Commissioner At-Large Kevin Yackly ---Nay
Commissioner District 1 Keith Henry ---Aye
Commissioner District 2 Felix Herrera ---Aye
Commissioner District 3 Dorthea Jones Pointer ---Aye
Commissioner District 4 Jami Clark ---Aye

Motion by Commissioner District 3 Dorthea Jones Pointer, Seconded by Commissioner District 2 Felix Herrera

Vote: 6 - 1 CARRIED

- b. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 21-074, accepting and approving the 2021 Certified Tax Roll. (Finance)

Motion by Commissioner At-Large, Mayor Pro Tem Thelma Bowie, Seconded by Commissioner District 3 Dorthea Jones Pointer

Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED

- c. Consider and take action on Ordinance No. 21-23, amending the fiscal year 2020-2021 budget to accept and appropriate Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds established under the American Rescue Plan Act. (Finance)

Motion by Commissioner At-Large Kevin Yackly, Seconded by Commissioner District 2 Felix Herrera

Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED

9. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Keith Henry acknowledged that September 15 is the start of Hispanic Heritage Month.

Commissioner Kevin Yackly stated that he voted against the budget and tax rate because he believes the raises approved for City staff should be higher.

Commissioner Dorthea Jones Pointer stated she is proud of the collaborative efforts done to make Community Matters 2030 a success.

Commissioner Jami Clark thanked Bruce Clawson for stepping in as Interim Emergency Management.

STAFF COMMENTS

Laura Boyd, Finance Director, reminded all present, that the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year begins October 1, 2021.

David Zacherl, Fire Chief, stated that the Firefighter Games on 6th Street starts at 6 pm on September 17th.

Dennis J. Harris, Recreation and Tourism Director, stated that the Breast Cancer Awareness 5k walk/run will be held on October 2nd.

Darcie Valenzuela, Marketing Coordinator, stated that Touch-A-Truck will be held on October 23rd.

10. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Johnson thanked First Responders and Emergency Management for their commitment to Texas City during Hurricane Nicholas. Mayor Johnson, Sr. also congratulated Jennifer Price, Human Resource Director, on being a finalist at the Women in Leadership Awards.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, Commissioner Jami Clark made a MOTION to ADJOURN at 5:44 p.m.; the motion was SECONDED by Commissioner Dorthea Jones Pointer. All present voted AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

DEDRICK JOHNSON, SR., MAYOR

ATTEST:

Rhomari Leigh, City Secretary
Date Approved: