

**City of Southmayd, Texas**  
Minutes of the January 17, 2023  
Regular City Council Meeting

The City Council of the City of Southmayd, Texas met on this date at 7:00 p.m. for a regular City Council meeting. City Council members present were Mayor David Turner, Mayor Pro Tem Debra Thompson, Teresa Miller, Michael Horstman, Tom Byler, and Robert Thompson. City Staff present were Amanda McGill.

**Agenda**

**A. CALL TO ORDER & Declaration of a Quorum.**

Mayor Turner called the City Council meeting to order at 7:07 pm, January 17, 2023.

**B. Pledge to Flag & Invocation**

Mayor Turner led Pledge to Flag and Invocation.

**C. Welcome Guests**

City Council and guests were introduced and welcomed.

**D. PUBLIC FORUM, PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITION: (No Action)**

*Public Forum: (Citizens are allowed 3 minutes to speak. If the issue is on the agenda, the City Council may choose to discuss and consider the item. If the issue is not on the agenda, the Council is not permitted by state law to respond to or discuss the item other than to make statements of specific information in response to a citizen's inquiry or to recite existing policy in response to the inquiry. The Council may request the issue to be placed on a future agenda for action in accordance with state law. This forum is not the appropriate place to address complaints against Public Officials and/or Staff. Complaints of this nature should be made in writing and filed with the City Secretary.)*

**E. CONSENT AGENDA & STAFF REPORTS**

*\*Consent agenda items are routine in nature and may be acted upon in one motion without discussion unless a Council Member or a citizen requests a specific item be discussed and voted on separately. The City Council may discuss any of the items under Staff Reports, but no formal action will be taken.*

- 1. Discuss, consider, and possible action on approval of the City Council minutes of November 15, 2022, Public Hearing.**
- 2. Discuss, consider, and possible action on approval of the City Council minutes of November 15, 2022, Regular Meeting.**
- 3. Discuss, consider, and possible action on approval of the City Council minutes of November 22, 2022, Special Meeting.**

Mayor Pro Tem Thompson made a motion to accept the consent agenda and staff reports. Councilmember Miller seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

## **F. REGULAR AGENDA**

- 1. Discuss, consider, and possible action on presentation of the November & December 2022 financial statements and report of accounts by Joe Madden, CPA.**

Councilmember Horstman made a motion to accept the financial report. Mayor Pro Tem Thompson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

- 2. Discuss, consider, and possible action on the Grayson County contract for the May 6, 2023, election.**

Mayor Pro Tem Thompson made a motion to accept the contract with Grayson County for the May 6, 2023, election. Councilmember Miller seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

- 3. Discuss, consider, and possible action to adopt a resolution designating authorized signatories for the City's 2023-2024 CDBG grant.**

Councilmember Horstman made a motion to elect Mayor David Turner and Mayor Pro Tem Debra Thompson as signatories for the City's 2023-2024 CDBG grant. Councilmember Thompson seconded the motion and the motion passed 4 (four) to 1 (one).

- 4. Discuss, consider, and possible action on selecting the date(s) and time(s) to begin surveying all residential homes located along the project streets.**

Mayor Pro Tem Thompson made a motion to move forward with the projected roads of Parkview and Christi Ln and begin surveying January 28, 2023, at 10:00 AM. Councilmember Horstman seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

- 5. Discuss, consider, and possible action on bid received by Grayson County for repair of West Belknap.**

Councilmember Horstman made a motion to table repair by Grayson County on Belknap until the February meeting. Amanda McGill, City Secretary, will find out when the repair on Cody Ln and Gibbons will be completed. Councilmember Byler seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

- 6. Discuss, consider, and possible action regarding the bids received for ceiling repair in the Southmayd Police Department.**

Councilmember Byler made a motion to make a budget amendment and approve the bid from Performance Painting in the amount of \$15,280.00 for the ceiling repair. Councilmember Horstman seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

- 7. Discuss, consider, and possible action on the policy regarding employee(s) prorated vacation hours.**

Councilmember Horstman made a motion to accept the recommendation from the Employee Handbook committee to prorate vacation hours. Councilmember Miller seconded the motion and the motion passed 4 (four) to 1 (one).

**8. Discuss, consider, and possible action on the policy regarding employee(s) vacation hours.**

Mayor Pro Tem Thompson made a motion to update the Policy and Procedures Handbook to reflect the changes made to the Vacation Leave Policy. Councilmember Horstman seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**9. Discuss, consider, and possible action on updating the Employee Policy and Procedures Handbook to reflect the changes regarding holidays, holiday pay, and floating holidays.**

Councilmember Horstman made a motion to adopt the policy regarding holidays, holiday pay, and floating holidays. Councilmember Miller seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**10. Discuss, consider, and possible action on closing the gap between Southmayd city limits and Dorchester on Hwy 289.**

Councilmember Horstman made a motion to table the discussion to allow time for Mayor Turner to speak with the Mayor of Dorchester about closing the gap between Southmayd city limits and Dorchester on Hwy 289. We will then move forward with speaking with the Southmayd city attorney. Councilmember Byler seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**11. Discuss, consider, and possible action regarding the Petition for Consent to Creation of Preston Road Municipal Utility District of Grayson County and Grayson County Municipal Utility District No. 20.**

Councilmember Byler made a motion to table the discussion regarding the Petition for Consent to Creation of Preston Road Municipal Utility District of Grayson County and Grayson County Municipal Utility District No. 20. Councilmember Miller seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**I. ADJOURN**

Councilmember Thompson moved to adjourn. Councilmember Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

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David Turner, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Amanda McGill, City Secretary  
Approved: February 21, 2023