

City of Southmayd, Texas
Minutes of the February 21, 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 City Clerk Traci Walker, Lieutenant Nortman, and Officer Aguirre.

Agenda

A. CALL TO ORDER & Declaration of a Quorum.

Mayor Turner called the City Council meeting to order at 7:00 pm, February 21, 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 January 17, 2023, Public Hearing.

Councilmember Miller made a motion to accept the consent agenda and staff reports. Councilmember Horstman seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

F. REGULAR AGENDA

1. Discuss, consider, and possible action on presentation of the January 2023 financial statements and report of accounts by Joe Madden, CPA.

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

- 2. Discuss, consider, and possible action on approval of Ordinance 452 calling for a Special Election on Saturday, May 6, 2023, for the purpose of a ballot proposition to reauthorize the municipal sales and use tax for street maintenance and repairs at the rate of one-fourth of one percent.**

Councilmember Horstman made a motion to approve Ordinance 452 per corrections to the hourly rate for Judges and clerks. Councilmember Miller seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

- 3. Discuss, consider, and possible action regarding the TML Health Benefit Pool's Contribution Policy.**

Councilmember Byler made a motion to approve the TML Health Benefit Pool's Benefit Waiting Period to become effective on the first day of the month following 60 days after a new employee's start date. Councilmember Horstman seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

- 4. Discuss, consider, and possible action to adopt Resolution 139 authorizing the submission of an application to the Texas Department of Agriculture for the 2023-2024 TxCDBG-Community Development Fund.**

Mayor Pro Tem Thompson made a motion to approve Resolution 139. Councilmember Byler seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

- 5. Discuss, consider, and possible action regarding an engineering contract for the Texas Department of Agriculture for 2023-2024 TxCDBG-Community Development Fund Project, if awarded.**

Mayor Pro Tem Thompson made a motion to table the engineering contract for the 2023-2024 TxDCBG-Community Development Fund Project for grammatical changes to contract. Councilmember Horstman seconded the motion and the motion passed four (4) to one (1).

- 6. Discuss, consider, and possible action on the transfer of water rights to Two Way Utility for property purchased by Gary Evans on Old Southmayd Road.**

Mayor Pro Tem Thompson made a motion to table the transfer of water rights to Two Way Utility. Councilmember Byler seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

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

Councilmember Byler made a motion to approve the bid received by Grayson County for the repair of West Belknap with appropriate changes made to interlocal agreement. Councilmember Miller seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

- 8. Discuss, consider, and possible action on the purchase of property for a new law enforcement station located at 304 McElroy Street in the amount of \$200,000.**

Councilmember Horstman made a motion to make an offer of \$200,000 for the purchase of the property at 304 McElroy Street for use as a new law enforcement station, with \$100,000 as a down payment and acquire a ten (10) year loan in the amount of \$100,000 with a budget amendment to cover these costs. Michael Horstman will draw up papers for the purchase and present to the owner on behalf of the city at no cost. Councilmember Byler seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

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

Councilmember Horstman made a motion to table the repair on the Southmayd Police Department. Mayor Pro Tem Thompson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

10. Discuss, consider, and possible action on repair of damaged light pole at Southmayd City Hall.

Mayor Pro Tem Thompson made a motion to approve the repair of the damaged light pole in the amount of \$1,900.00. The city will cover the cost of the repair and establish a payment plan to be paid within 18 months by Troy Osborn, who originally caused the damage. Councilmember Horstman seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

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

Allow to drop off agenda. No action taken.

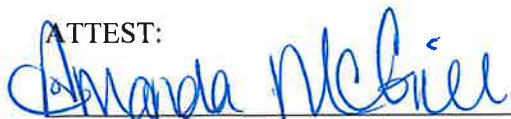
12. Discuss, consider, and possible action regarding the Petition for Consent to Creation of Preston Road Municipal Utility District of Grayson County and Grayson County Municipal Utility District No. 20.

Mayor Pro Tem Thompson made a motion to table 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 seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

I. ADJOURN

Councilmember Byler moved to adjourn. Councilmember Horstman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.


David Turner, Mayor

ATTEST:

Amanda McGill, City Secretary
Approved: March 21, 2023