



REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

A Regular Meeting of the Governing Body of the City of Ranger, Texas, was held on **Monday, September 13, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.** in City Hall, 400 West Main Street Ranger, Texas. The following subjects were discussed, to wit:

COUNCIL MEMBERS AND CITY STAFF PRESENT:

Honorable John Casey	Mayor
Commissioner Larry Monroe	Place 1
Commissioner Robert Butler	Place 2
Commissioner Kevan Moize	Place 3
Commissioner Bittni Boykin	Place 4- Absent
City Manager Gerald Gunstanson	
City Secretary Savannah Fortenberry	
Public Works Director Robert Alvarez	
Honorable Tammy S. Archer	

Agenda Item 01: Call to Order- Mayor Casey

Roll Call/Quorum Check- Savannah Fortenberry
Invocation of Prayer- Gerald Gunstanson
Pledge of Allegiance to United States Flag- Mayor Casey
Pledge of Allegiance to Texas Flag- Mayor Casey

PUBLIC HEARING at 5:30PM: to obtain the views of the citizens and council regarding the 2021 tax rate.

*Public hearing was conducted for the 2021 Tax Rate. The no-new-revenue rate is set for .697886.

Agenda Item 02: Citizen's Presentation: 1. No participation.

Agenda Item 03: Announcements from City Council or Staff- 1. City Manager, Gerald Gunstanson, announced Roaring Ranger Days will be Saturday, September 18. 2. Mayor Casey thanked City Manager, Gerald Gunstanson, for helping him read during the meetings.

Agenda Item 04: Discuss/Consider: approval to designate a date for the "Day of Champions" for Ranger College and authorize the use of city services – Derrick Worrels, Ranger College

*Motion made by Commissioner Moize to designate Saturday, October 16 starting at 8am and ending at 1pm for the "Day of Champions" for Ranger College and authorize the use of city services not to exceed 6 roll off dumpsters and Commissioner Monroe 2nd the motion. **All Ayes and Motion Passed.**

Agenda Item 05: Discuss/Consider: approval of the city council meeting minutes for the called meeting on August 23, 2021 and the regular meeting on August 23, 2021. - Savannah Fortenberry, City Secretary

*Motion made by Commissioner Butler to approve the called meeting on August 23, 2021 and the regular meeting on August 23, 2021 and Commissioner Moize 2nd the motion. **All Ayes and Motion Passed.**

Agenda Item 06: Discuss/Consider: approval of the city council meeting minutes for the public hearing on August 30, 2021 and the called meeting on August 30, 2021. - Savannah Fortenberry, City Secretary

*Motion made by Commissioner Moize to approve the city council meeting minutes for the public hearing on August 30, 2021 and the called meeting on August 30, 2021 and 2nd by Commissioner Monroe. **All Ayes and Motion Passed.**

Agenda Item 07: Discuss/Consider: SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2021-09-13-G: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RANGER, TEXAS ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR THE ENSUING FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2021, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2022; APPROPRIATING THE VARIOUS AMOUNTS THEREOF, AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. –Gerald Gunstanson, City Manager

*Motion made by Commissioner Monroe to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance No. 2021-09-13-G and Commissioner Moize 2nd the motion. **Ayes- Monroe, Moize; Abstain- Butler; Motion Passed.**

Agenda Item 08: Discuss/Consider: FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2021-09-27-H: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RANGER, TEXAS, SETTING THE TAX LEVY FOR THE YEAR 2021 ON ALL TAXABLE REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE CITY OF RANGER, TEXAS; PROVIDING FOR PENALTY, INTEREST, AND ADDITIONAL PENALTY ON TAXES NOT TIMELY PAID AND PROVIDING OTHER MATTERS RELATING TO THE SUBJECT. –Gerald Gunstanson, City Manager

*Motion made by Commissioner Butler to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2021-09-27-H and Commissioner Moize 2nd the motion. **All Ayes and Motion Passed.**

Agenda Item 09: Discuss/Consider: Review mitigation planning, implementation, and budgeting related to, but not limited to Palo Pinto Creek, that includes a dredging contract; implementing flooding prevention for the sewage plant that includes development of drainage and barriers; and, equipment purchases to maintain flood prevention actions. – Robert Butler, Commissioner Place 2

*Motion made by Commissioner Butler to take no action and revisit Agenda Item 9 and Commissioner Moize 2nd the motion. **All Ayes and Motion Passed.**

Agenda Item 10: Discuss/Consider: Review Grant Proposal progress for the Willow Park Pool – Robert Butler, Commissioner Place 2

*Motion made by Commissioner Butler to take no action and revisit Agenda Item 10 during the first quarter of the upcoming fiscal year and Commissioner Monroe 2nd the motion. **All Ayes and Motion Passed.**

Agenda Item 11: Discuss/Consider: Employee wage schedule to include proposed 2021-2022 Three Percent (3%) Cost of Living Increase – Robert Butler, Commissioner Place 2

*Motion made by Commissioner Butler to approve the 3% cost of living increase and use the wage schedule to create a base, mid and 20 year salary structure to be considered for the next meeting and Commissioner Monroe 2nd the motion. **All Ayes and Motion Passed.**

Agenda Item 12: Discuss/Consider: FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2021-08-09-E: AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF RANGER, TEXAS, AMENDING THE CITY’S EXISTING ORDINANCES BY AMENDING AND ESTABLISHING FEES FOR CERTAIN LICENSES, PERMITS, AND OTHER SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE CITY OF RANGER; INCLUDING FINDINGS OF FACT AND PROPER NOTICE AND HEARING; REPEAL PREVIOUS ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT WITH THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING A PENALTY CLAUSE; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; EFFECTIVE DATE AND OPEN MEETING CLAUSES; AND PROVIDING FOR RELATED MATTERS. – Robert Butler, Commissioner Place 2

*Motion made by Commissioner Moize to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2021-08-09-E and motion died for a lack of second. **Motion Failed.**

Agenda Item 13: Discuss/Consider: Consent Items; the Approval of Monthly Department Reports:

- **Finance Report-** Director Savannah Fortenberry
- **Library Report-** Librarian Diana McCullough
- **REDC 4A Report-** President Robert Butler
- **REDC 4B Report-** President Steve Gerdes
- **Municipal Court Report-** Judge Tammy Archer
- **Fire/EMS Report-** Chief Darrel Fox
- **Police Department-** Chief Moran
- **Animal Control/Code Enforcement-** G. Gunstanson
- **Public Works Report-** Director Robert Alvarez

*Motion made by Commissioner Butler for the approval of all the Consent Items; Monthly Department Reports, Commissioner Monroe 2nd the motion. **All Ayes and Motion Passed.**

Agenda Item 14: Convene in Executive Session at **8:22pm** Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section

Section 551.072. **Deliberations about Real Property** and 551.087: **Economic Development Negotiations (SB1851):** A governmental body may conduct a closed meeting to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person.

- Discuss and Consider delinquent tax properties and potential use for economic development purposes

Agenda Item 15: Discuss/Consider: Reconvene into Open Session at 9:00pm and take action from Executive Session- John Casey, Mayor

*Motion made by Commissioner Butler to authorize the City Manager to receive a list of properties that are on delinquent taxes for potential use for economic development purposes and Commissioner Moize 2nd the motion. **All Ayes and Motion Passed.**

Agenda Item 16: Discuss/Consider: Adjournment- 9:00pm


*Motioned by Commissioner Monroe to adjourn and Commissioner Butler 2nd the motion. **All Ayes and Motion Passed.**

These minutes were approved on the 27th day of September, 2021

CITY OF RANGER, TEXAS


John Casey, Mayor

ATTEST:


Savannah Fortenberry, City Secretary

