

City of Beasley

**MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY – SEPTEMBER 18, 2018 – 6:30 P.M.
BEASLEY CITY HALL
319UTH 3RD ST., BEASLEY, TX 77417**

Call to Order: Mayor Kenneth Reid called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Council Members Jerri Lindemann, Al Becan, Yvonne Meyer and Douglas Harris were present. Dale Lindemann is in the hospital.

Approve minutes from August 21, 2018 meeting: Mr. Harris requested a correction be made to Old Business, Section D by adding verbiage “has expired state tags”. Ms. Meyer made the motion to accept the minutes as corrected per Mr. Harris’s request and Mrs. Lindemann seconded. *Motion carried.*

Mayor Announcements: None

Communication from the public

Each speaker is limited to three (3) minutes. In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, the City Council may not discuss or take action on any items not posted on the agenda.

No general public.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Adopt 2018-2019 Budget

Ms. Meyer made the motion to adopt the 2018-2019 Budget and Mr. Harris seconded. *Motion carried.*

B. Adopt 2018 Tax Year Rate of \$0.402801/\$100

Mr. Harris moved that property taxes be increased by the adoption of the 2018 Tax Year Rate of \$0.402801/\$100 and Ms. Meyer seconded. *Motion carried.*

NEW BUSINESS

A. Presentation by Commissioner Vincent Morales on ETJ tax proposal

Commissioner Morales and Robert Quarles, Chief of Staff, were present. Mr. Morales explained that the County is creating a County Assistance District (CAD) under the authority of the Texas State Legislature. This would involve property located in the City of Beasley’s ETJ. All counties are eligible to create their CAD

as long as sales and use tax is not at the 8 ¼ cent maximum. The Commissioner's Court will serve as the governing body with five (5) directors. The County Commissioner's Court must first call for an election to create the CAD by a majority vote in favor of creating the district. The CAD can collect a "use tax" collected on taxable items that go into new construction within the CAD. The counties are allowed to collect 2% sales tax not being collected within a jurisdiction – 1% for the city's use and 1% for the County's use. The tax can be used for road maintenance, parks, law enforcement, fire protection and economic development. The City will receive a letter in December to make a decision for the May, 2019 election.

B. Discuss and act on possible new development in town

No one was present.

C. Discuss and approve 2017 Year Audit

CPA, Alan Sandersen presented the 2017 Year Audit to Mayor and Council. The City has good conservative financials in the General Fund – no major problems found. Mr. Harris made the motion to approve the audit and Mr. Becan seconded.

Motion carried.

D. Adopt Ordinance #2018-5 approving Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Budget

Ms. Meyer made the motion to adopt Ordinance #2018-5 approving the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year Budget and Mr. Becan seconded. *Motion carried.*

E. Adopt Ordinance #2018-6 approving 2018 Tax Year Rate of \$0.402801/\$100

Mrs. Lindemann made the motion to adopt Ordinance #2018-6 approving the 2018 Tax Year Rate of \$0.402801/\$100 and Ms. Meyer seconded. *Motion carried.*

F. Discuss and act on bad debts

This has been tabled as no figures were presented.

G. Discuss and act on approving Economic Development Corporation (4A) 2018-2019 Budget

Mrs. Lindemann made the motion to approve the 2018-2019 (4A) Budget as presented and Ms. Ms. Meyer seconded. *Motion carried.*

H. Discuss and act on approving Community Development Corporation (4B) 2018-2019 Budget

Ms. Meyer made the motion to approve the 2018-2019 (4B) Budget as presented and Mr. Becan seconded. *Motion carried.*

I. Discuss and act on continuing providing revenues for Street Maintenance Sales Tax.

Mr. Becan made the motion to approve the continuance of revenue for street sales taxes at ¼%. Mrs. Lindemann seconded and *motion carried*. This proposition for re-authorization of the local sales and use tax will be placed on the May, 2019 election ballot.

J. Council Member to discuss enforcement of city ordinances

Mr. Harris would like to see more Council oversight on violations being sighted. On the violations list, add additional columns with more details on the kind of violations being written and city ordinance/s it violates. He would like to review new ordinances before being presented to Council for approval to have time to discuss with the city attorney. Mayor Reid informed Council that code enforcement has been ceased until the ordinance problem has been resolved.

Financial Report: Ms. Wanda Andel presented Council with a Financial Statement showing the General Fund with \$147,103.30 and the Water/Sewer Account with \$17,522.40. Barclays Premier Utility Services has been paid \$70,000 and the City is waiting to be reimbursed by the grant. City will hold the retainage check until all repairs have been checked and the final walk through has been done. Mrs. Lindemann made the motion to approve the report, pay the bills and Ms. Meyer seconded. *Motion carried.*

City Building Report: The following permit was issued for a total of \$98.30:

#0817 09/04/18 Lamar School 7511 Ave. J Electrical \$98.30

Water/Sewer Report: A major water leak at 7516 Avenue J has been repaired by B&E Utilities.

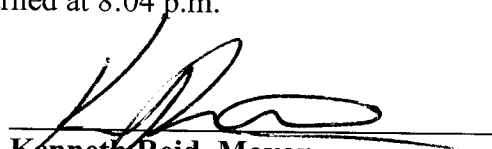
The blower motor problem appears to be fixed at the Waste Water Treatment Plant and there will also be a company looking at the clarifier.

U.S. Underwater Services has placed City of Beasley's water tower pressure wash and repairs on their schedule.

Adjournment: Mr. Becan made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Mrs. Lindemann seconded. *Motion carried* and meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

ATTEST:


G. B. Michulka, Recording Secretary


Kenneth Reid, Mayor