

**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
DECEMBER 13, 2021**

The City Council of the City of Navasota, Grimes County, Texas met at the City Council Chambers, Room No. 161, located at 200 E. McAlpine Street at 6:00 p.m., Navasota, Texas on the above date with the following being present:

**Bernie Gessner, Councilmember, Place # 1  
Pattie Pederson, Councilmember, Place # 2  
Josh M. Fultz, Councilmember, Place # 3  
Bert Miller, Mayor, Place # 4  
Grant E. Holt, Mayor Pro-Tem, Place # 5**

Thus constituting a quorum.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Susie M. Homeyer, City Secretary; Cary Bovey, Legal Counsel; Jennifer Reyna, Administrative Assistant; Lance Hall, Finance Director; Lupe Diosdado, Development Services Director; Shawn Myatt, Police Chief/Assistant City Manager; Rayna Willenbrink, Economic Development Specialist; Erik Covarrubias, Code Enforcement Specialist; Jason Katkoski, Fire Chief/EMC; Mitchell Kroll, Assistant Fire Chief; Brian Colbert, Water/Wastewater Operator; Leslie Mona, Library Clerk, Jason Weeks, New City Manager and Brad Stafford, Current City Manager.

**VISITORS:** John Henry, Todd Wisner, Connie Clements, Stu Musik, Ronnie Gonzales, Dr. Brewer, Deborah Richardson, Dorothy Hassell, Jim Hassell, Benny Torres, Mark Rudolph, James Harris, and Senafin Estupinan.

**THE ITEMS ON THE AGENDA WERE TAKEN UP IN DUE ORDER AS FOLLOWS:**

1. Mayor Bert Miller called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. Invocation was given by Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt. The City Council, staff members and visitors then recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and the Texas Flag.
3. Remarks of visitors: None.
4. Staff report:
  - a) Finance Director Lance Hall introduced the new library clerk, Leslie Mona;
  - b) Interim Utility Director Jennifer Reyna and Mayor Bert Miller recognized Brian Colbert for five years of service;
  - (c) John Henry gave an update on the Capital Improvements Project;
  - (d) Fire Chief Jason Katkoski and Assistant Fire Chief Mitchell Kroll demonstrated some of the new fire equipment that was purchased with the voluntary fire department funds;

(e) Code Enforcement Specialist Erik Covarrubias gave an update on the results from "Home for the Holidays";

(f) Police Chief/Assistant City Manager Shawn Myatt gave an update on the launch party for the Texas Birthday Bash;

(g) Mark Rudolph, with Strand and Associates, gave an update on the utility department;

(h) Mayor Bert Miller proclaimed the month of December as "Tree of Angels";

(i) Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt gave an update on the latest Planning and Zoning meeting; and

(j) Councilmembers and staff informed the audience about upcoming events.

5. A public hearing was held regarding a zoning change application submitted by James C Hassell for the properties located in the A0062 J Whitesides Abstract. The zoning change application requests to change the zoning from A/O: Agriculture/Open Space District to Pecan Lakes Estates Phase IV PUD, a planned unit development, for the development of a 63.55-acre single dwelling unit subdivision. The properties affected are legally described as A0062 J Whitesides, Tract 17-2, Acres 31.76, A0062 J Whitesides, Tract 17, Acres 31.79 , located in Navasota, Grimes County, Texas. Mayor Bert Miller opened the public hearing at 6:28 p.m. The following residents spoke during the public hearing: Todd Wisner, Jim Hassell, Deborah Richardson, Connie Clements, James Harris and Benny Torres. With no other comments from the public, Mayor Bert Miller closed the public hearing at 7:04 p.m.

6. Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 985-21, approving a zoning change application submitted by James C Hassell for the properties located in the A0062 J Whitesides Abstract. The zoning change application requests to change the zoning from A/O: Agriculture/Open Space District to Pecan Lakes Estates Phase IV PUD, a planned unit development, for the development of a 63.55-acre single dwelling unit subdivision. The properties affected are legally described as A0062 J Whitesides, Tract 17-2, Acres 31.76, A0062 J Whitesides, Tract 17, Acres 31.79 , located in Navasota, Grimes County, Texas, based on the Planning and Zoning Commissions recommendation, seconded by Councilmember Bernie Gessner and with Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.

7. Councilmember Bernie Gessner moved to approve Resolution No. 705-21, accepting the water, gas, street and underground storm drainage improvements of Phase Three section in Pecan Lakes Estates Subdivision except entrance signage, sewer infrastructure, common areas, detention pond and open channel storm drainage improvements, in the City of Navasota, Texas, seconded by Councilmember Josh Fultz and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.

8. Councilmember Bernie Gessner moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 986-21, amending Chapter 3 Building Regulations, Article 3.06 Signs, Section 3.06.013 Signs on Public Property, for the purpose of allowing and regulating signs on public

property owned or controlled by a governmental entity, seconded by Councilmember Josh Fultz and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.

9. A public hearing was held regarding an application submitted by Serafin Estupinan to the City of Navasota requesting to abandon a twenty foot (20') public alleyway located in Block H of the Park Place Addition, in the City of Navasota, Grimes County, Texas. Mayor Bert Miller opened the public hearing at 7:19 p.m. With no comments from the public, Mayor Bert Miller closed the public hearing at 7:21 p.m.

10. Councilmember Josh Fultz moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 987-21, approving an application submitted by Serafin Estupinan to the City of Navasota requesting to abandon a twenty foot (20') public alleyway located in Block H of the Park Place Addition, in the City of Navasota, Grimes County, Texas, seconded by Councilmember Bernie Gessner and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.

11. A discussion was held on the lease agreement between the City of Navasota and the Kiwanis Club of Navasota for the use of the "Old Pro-Shop" property.

12. The City Council did not take any action on the purchase of a software upgrade from Tyler Technologies. This item will be put on a future agenda.

13. Councilmember Bernie Gessner moved to approve the consent agenda items which include the minutes and expenditures for the month of November 2021, seconded by Councilmember Josh Fultz and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.

14. Mayor Bert Miller adjourned the meeting at 7:34 p.m.

  
BERT MILER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
SUSIE M. HOMEYER, CITY SECRETARY

