

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 22, 2022**

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: Jason Weeks, City Manager; Susie M. Homeyer, City Secretary; Lance Hall, Finance Director; Lupe Diosdado, Development Services Director; Cary Bovey, Legal Counsel; Bobbie Ullrich, Marketing and Communications Director; Jennifer Reyna, Director of Utilities; Rayna Teicheira, Economic Development Director; Jason Katkoski, Fire Chief/EMC, Mike Mize, Interim Police Chief; Stevie Widders, Animal Control Officer; Michelle Savensky, Executive Administrative Assistant; and Peggy Johnson, Human Resources Director.

VISITORS: Connie Clements, Deborah Richardson, Mac Vaughn, Connie Martinez, Sammy Martinez, Steve Scheve, Ethan Barak, Chris Tucker, Dell Martinez and Dora McGrath.

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 Mac Vaughn. 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) City Manager Jason Weeks gave an update on the soccer registration;
 - b) Human Resource Director Peggy Johnson introduced Michelle Savensky as the new Executive Administrative Assistant. Interim Police Chief Mike Mize introduced the new Animal Control Officer as Stevie Widders;

- c) Human Resource Director Peggy Johnson recognized Jennifer Reyna for ten years of dedicated service to the City;
- d) Director of Utilities Jennifer Reyna gave an update on the 2020 Utility CIP program, Airport AWOS and Water Tower Project. Director of Street and Sanitation Jose Coronilla gave an update on the Streetscape project, Brosig Sidewalk and Pedestrian Bridge project and the annual Street CIP project.
- e) Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt mentioned that Director of Utilities Jennifer Reyna covered the items that were discussed at the last Airport Advisory meeting. Councilmember Bernie Gessner gave an update on the latest Planning and Zoning Commission meeting.
- f) There were not any comments from Councilmembers and staff informing the audience about upcoming events.

5. Councilmember Josh Fultz moved to approve Resolution No. 716-22, accepting the lift station and sewer improvements of Phase Three, Sections Two and Three in Pecan Lakes Estates Subdivision in the City of Navasota, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.

6. Councilmember Bernie Gessner moved to recommend the date of September 12, 2022 for the public hearing on the City's FY 2022-2023 proposed budget, seconded by Councilmember Josh Fultz and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.

7. Councilmember Josh Fultz moved to approve allowing City staff to credit the utility account for Christian Community Services, located at 814 N. LaSalle, Navasota, Texas in the amount up to \$200.00 per month beginning October 1, 2022 and ending September 30, 2023 for assistance with the utility payments, seconded by Councilmember Pattie Pederson and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.

8. Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 1001-22, amending Chapter 2 of the Animal Control Ordinance, seconded by Councilmember Pattie Pederson and with each councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.

9. The City Council met in Executive Session in accordance with Section 551.072, Texas Government Code, deliberation regarding real property and discussion regarding the potential lease/license of City-owned property. Mayor Bert Miller announced the time as 6:34 p.m.

10. The City Council reconvened in open session at 7:36 p.m.

11. Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt moved to authorize the City Manager to engage in negotiations with both Navasota Wifi and Grimes County.net for non-exclusive license agreements and to present the proposed license agreement for award by the City Council at a future meeting and further move that this action shall not be deemed an award for either proposal under the water tower policy licensing policy, seconded by Councilmember Pattie Pederson and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.

16. Mayor Bert Miller adjourned the meeting at 7:38 p.m.


BERT MILLER, MAYOR

ATTEST:


SUSIE M. HOMEYER, CITY SECRETARY

