

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 8, 2023**

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; Luke Cochran, Legal Counsel; Bobbie Ullrich, Marketing and Communication Director; Jennifer Reyna, Director of Utilities; Mike Mize, Police Chief; James Byrd, Police Officer; Evette Fannin, Grants Coordinator; Rayna Teicheira, Economic Development Director; Lupe Diosdado, Director of Development Services; Pat Gruner, Municipal Judge; Jon MacKay, Graduate Civil Engineer; Ryan Hendricks, Parks and Recreation Manager; Peggy Johnson, HR Director; Kenneth Nobles, Project Manager and Edwin Sandoval, Heavy Equipment Operator.

VISITORS: Connie Clements, Deborah Richardson, Mac Vaughn, Jim Hassell, Dorothy Hassell, Tex Maxson, Stephanie Maxson, James Harris, R. J. Sauls, Tim Wolff, Ricky Hux, Paul Stankiewicz, Robbie Morton, Kylie Maxon, Leslee Soto, Glenda Maxson, Daaner Mena, Gina Nobles, Colin Conley, Robert Thiry, Jennifer Thiry, B. J. Audredge, Rosie Crawford, Mac Crawford, John Sanders, Kathy Sandoval, Kristi Ramsey and Casey Soto.

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) Mayor Bert Miller and the City Council recognized the Navasota ISD Top Ten Seniors for 2023 with a proclamation;
- b) Mayor Bert Miller proclaimed May 8 – May 13, 2023 as "Economic Development Week";
- c) Peggy Johnson, HR Director, introduced Jon MacKay as the new Graduate Civil Engineer;
- d) Peggy Johnson, HR Director, presented Edwin Sandoval, Heavy Equipment Operator, with a certificate for fifteen (15) years of service;
- e) Jennifer Reyna, Public Works Director, gave an update on the CIP Projects;
- f) There was not an update on Boards and Commissions; and
- g) Councilmembers and staff informed the audience about upcoming events.

5. A public hearing was held regarding an application submitted by Ricky Hux requesting to abandon a twenty foot (20') public alleyway located in Block 66 of the H & TC RR Addition, in the City of Navasota, Grimes County, Texas 7788. Mayor Bert Miller opened the public hearing at 6:23 p.m. Development Services Director, Lupe Diosdado, briefly went over the request. With no comment from the public, Mayor Bert Miller closed the public hearing at 6:29 p.m.

Councilmember Josh Fultz moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 1020-23, abandoning a twenty foot (20') public alleyway located in Block 66 of the H & TC RR Addition, in the City of Navasota, Grimes County, Texas 77868, seconded by Councilmember Bernie Gessner and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.

6. Councilmember Josh Fultz moved to approve Resolution No. 736-23, regarding the requested annexation petition submitted by Stanley Kettler and Jeannette Welch, for a 1.909 acre tract of land in the Jesse B. McNealy Survey, A-44, located in Grimes County Texas, setting a date, time and place for a public hearing on a proposed annexation of said property by the City of Navasota, seconded by Councilmember Bernie Gessner and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.

7. Councilmember Josh Fultz moved to approve Resolution No. 737-23, regarding the requested annexation petition submitted by Jinx M. Lee for a 0.336 acre tract of land in the Jesse B. McNealy Survey, A-44, located in Grimes County, Texas 77868, setting a date and time, and place for a public hearing on

a proposed annexation of said property by the City of Navasota, seconded by Councilmember Bernie Gessner and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.

8. Councilmember Josh Fultz moved to approve Resolution No. 738-23, regarding the requested annexation petition submitted by Grimes Altamira, LLC, for a 96.618 acre tract of land in the Jesse B. McNealy Survey, A-44, located in Grimes County, Texas 77868, setting a date and time, and place for a public hearing on a proposed annexation of said property by the City of Navasota, seconded by Councilmember Bernie Gessner and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.

9. Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt moved to approve a contract between the City of Navasota and Weisinger, Inc. in the amount of \$129,438.00 for the emergency repairs to Water Well No. 4, located at 6559 Link Drive, as authorized by Section 252.022(a)(3), Texas Local Government Code, as a procurement necessary because of unforeseen damage to public machinery, equipment, or other property, seconded by Councilmember Pattie Pederson and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.

10. Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt moved to approve a contract between the City of Navasota and Weisinger, Inc. in the amount of \$98,103.00 for the purchase of materials and associated items related to the emergency repairs to Water Well No. 7, located at 11167 CR 451, as authorized by Section 252.022(a)(3), Texas Local Government Code, as a procurement necessary because of unforeseen damage to public machinery, equipment, or other property, seconded by Councilmember Pattie Pederson and with each Councilmember present voting AYE, the motion carried.

11. Councilmember Josh Fultz moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 1022-23, authorizing the settlement of the proposed rate increase of Entergy Texas, Inc., seconded by Councilmember Bernie Gessner and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.

12. Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt moved to authorize City representatives in matters pertaining to the City's participation in the Texas Community Block Grant Program, seconded by Councilmember Pattie Pederson and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.

13. Councilmember Pattie Pederson moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 1021-23, amending the Code of Ordinances, Appendix A Fee Schedule, Article A4.000 Parks and Recreation, Section A4.009 adopting the revised Parks and Recreation Municipal Pool Fees for the City of Navasota, Texas, and an effective date of May 22, 2023; amending the Code of Ordinances, Appendix A with the addition of Article A6.000 Miscellaneous Fees, Section A6.001(f) Credit Card Processing Fees, to cover cost of credit card

processing fees with an effective date of May 22, 2023, with the addition of fees for water fitness of fifty (\$50.00) dollars, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.

14. Councilmember Bernie Gessner moved to approve the minutes and Municipal Court Report for the month of April 2023, approving the second reading of Ordinance No. 1018-23 and the second reading of Ordinance No. 1019-23, seconded by Councilmember Josh Fultz and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.

15. Mayor Bert Miller adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m. .



BERT MILLER, MAYOR

ATTEST:


SUSIE M. HOMEYER, CITY SECRETARY