

Minutes

February 7th, 2022 @ 6:00 pm
Special Council Meeting

1. Call to Order @ 6pm
2. Roll Call: Fladmark, Dumont, Lawhon, Sestito and Harrison present. Storey absent. Quorum established with Mayor Lawhon presiding.
3. Citizen Comments: Citizens wishing to speak on an agenda item must sign up to do so. (**3 Minute Maximum**)
 - a. Kathy Donoghue spoke on agenda item 11. She spoke in favor of the city hiring a new administrator.
 - b. Lynn Shackelford spoke on agenda item 11. He was concerned where funds would come from.
 - c. Jerry Slovak spoke on agenda items 10 and 11. He spoke in favor of not eliminating the Building/Code Enforcement position and in favor of the city hiring a new administrator.
 - d. Tawnya Austin spoke on agenda items 10 and 11. She spoke in favor of filling the Building/Code Enforcement position and in favor of hiring a new administrator.
 - e. Roland Napoles spoke on agenda item 11. He wanted to know why there was such a shortage of funds in the salary budget for the administrator position.
4. Discuss and take action to rescind motion from 01.27.22 Regular Meeting adopting TMRS. Motion to rescind adopting TMRS from 01.27.22 meeting made by Councilmember Sestito. Second by Councilmember Harrison. Motion passed 4/0.
5. Discuss and take action on adopting Ordinance 2022-01, City of Tool Employee Retirement Plan with Texas Municipal Retirement System (TMRS). Motion to adopt was made by Councilmember Harrison with second by Councilmember Sestito. Motion passed 4/0.
6. Discuss and take action to amend the Employee Handbook Policy regarding retirement and TMRS. Motion to amend made by Councilmember Sestito with second by Councilmember Dumont. Motion passed 4/0.
7. Discuss and take action on adopting the Texas Subdivision And Special District Election And Release Form. Motion to adopt made by Councilmember Sestito with second by Councilmember Fladmark. Motion passed 4/0.
8. Discuss and take action to begin procurement process for the hiring of an engineer/architect for new municipal services building under the ARP agreement. Motion to take action made by Councilmember Fladmark with second by Councilmember Harrison. Motion passed 4/0.
9. Discuss and take action on propane installation for City Hall generator. Motion to take action made by Councilmember Sestito with second by Councilmember Fladmark. Motion passed 4/0.
10. Discuss and take action on filling the Building/ Code Enforcement position. Mayor Lawhon asked for agenda item to be tabled. No councilmembers in favor of tabling. Resigning Building/Code Enforcement Official Jeremy Lyons presented numbers of new construction and city revenues from permit fees for the past 5 years. Motion to move forward with hiring a new Building/Code Enforcement Official made by Councilmember Fladmark with second by Councilmember Sestito. Motion passed 4/0.
11. Discuss and take action on filling the City Administrator position. City Secretary Cheryl Odom spoke on the amount of salary funds available. Motion to take action to fill City Administrator Position as soon as possible made by Councilmember Dumont with second by Councilmember Harrison. Motion passed 4/0.
12. Adjourn @ 7:25pm.

A meeting that is “open to the public”, pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, is one that the public is permitted to attend. The act does not entitle the public to choose the items to be discussed or to speak about items on the agenda. If the City Council, during the course of the meeting covered by this notice, should determine that an executive session is required, then such executive session, as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Section 551.001 et seq., will be held by the Council at the date, hour and place given in this notice, concerning but not limited to the following sections and purposes of the Act: 551.071 Private consultation with the city’s attorney; 551.072 Deliberations about Real Property; or, 551.074 Discussing personnel or to hear complaints against personnel. Should any final action, final decision or final vote be required in the opinion of the City Council with regard to any matter considered in such executive session, then the final action, final decision or final vote shall be in the open meeting covered by this Notice upon the reconvening of the public meeting.

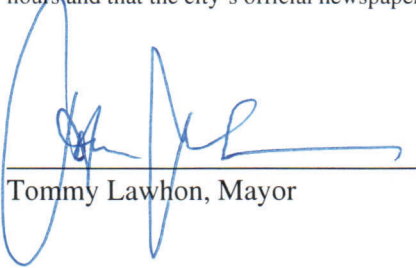
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“Pursuant to Texas Government Code section 551.007, members of the public may speak on an agenda item during the citizens comment section of the meeting or at the time the agenda item is called for discussion by the Mayor. Speakers must sign up with the City Secretary to speak and shall be given three (3) minutes to speak. A speaker needing a translator and/or interpreter may be given six (6) minutes to speak. Criticism of city employees or staff is prohibited. Those wishing to address the Council regarding an item not on the agenda must be a citizen, property owner or business owner of Tool. Comments on such non-agenda items shall be limited to three minutes. The Council will not comment on items not on the agenda; however, the Council may refer the item to city staff for research, resolution or referral of the matter to the Council as a future agenda item.”

I certify that the above notice of meeting, a true and correct copy, was posted on the bulletin board in front of Tool City Hall prior to the required 72 hours and that the city's official newspaper was notified.

Attest:



Tommy Lawhon, Mayor



Cheryl Odom, City Secretary