



CITY OF BANDERA CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Bandera City Hall, 511 Main Street, Bandera, Texas
Tuesday, August 13, 2024 at 6:00 PM

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MINUTES

1. Call to order.

Mayor Gibson called the meeting to order at 6:01PM.

2. Invocation and Pledge.

Mayor Gibson offered the invocation and all stood for the pledges.

3. Visitors to be heard (shall not exceed 30 minutes total).

There were no visitors to be heard.

4. Consent Agenda.

A. Approval of minutes from the Special City Council meeting on August 7, 2024.

Motion made by Councilmember Palmer to approve the consent agenda, Seconded by Councilmember Hicks.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Battle, Councilmember Breen, Councilmember Flowers, Councilmember Hicks, Councilmember Palmer

5. Proclamations.

A. A.) Breast Feeding Awareness

B.) National Tourism

Mayor Gibson skipped the Proclamation for Breast Feeding Awareness and presented the National Tourism Proclamation to Patricia Moore and Josie Evans.

6. Presentations.

A. Approved uses of State approved HOT funds.

City Attorney provided a PowerPoint to City Administrator who went thru it with Council to provide insight of the uses for HOT tax funds.

7. Workshop.

A. Workshop on the Rural Economic Development (RED) Grant.

Joe and Nick from Grantworks were available via zoom to answer questions on the RED grant and its process. They provided a presentation of the steps that have been taken over the last year and all the processes that have to take place to stay in compliance with the grant. They showed the survey results and the top projects that the survey produced with infrastructure leading the survey.

B. Budget Workshop.

City Administrator and Treasurer went thru line items of the budget with council.

8. Discussion and possible action on the following items:

Mayor Gibson recessed the regular meeting to take a break at 8:23PM.

Mayor Gibson opened the meeting at 8:33PM back into open session.

A. Consideration and possible action on Resolution 2024-026 accepting the state defined tax rates and setting the preliminary 2024 tax rate.

Motion made by Councilmember Hicks to approve Resolution 2024-025 to accept the state defined tax rates and set the preliminary 2024 tax rate, Seconded by Councilmember Flowers. Voting Yea: Councilmember Battle, Councilmember Breen, Councilmember Flowers, Councilmember Hicks, Councilmember Palmer

B. Discussion and possible action of the relocation of Marshals office to the City owned property at 106 Austin Street. - Marshal DeFoster

Marshal De Foster gave a proposal to Council on the cost to move the Marshal's office to a City owned property in the ETJ. There was much discussion about the location being in a residential neighborhood and a cost of over \$10,000.00 as a preliminary number for a temporary fix. There was discussion about when the lease is up in the current building that houses City Hall and needing a long term solution to the problem of growing out of the current space. The consensus of council was not in favor of this idea and there was no action taken by council.

C. Discussion and possible action on City Council Committees. - Mayor Gibson

A) Branding/Marketing Committee

B) Welcome to and Wayfinding signs Committee

There was some discussion about the different committees and who should be on them. There was a consensus that there needs to be another meeting because there was no clear idea on a project the committee had come up with. It was discussed to reestablish the committees to bring back ideas to council;

Branding/Marketing Committee- Lynn, Debbie, Stan, Rebeca

Welcome to and Wayfinding signs Committee- Debbie, Tony, Stan

There was no action on this item just a consensus to schedule additional meetings for both committees.

9. Closed Session.

A. *The City Council will meet in closed session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.072 to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.*

A) *Waste Water Treatment Plant*

There was no update on this item, so it was postponed to the next meeting.

10. Action following Closed Session.

11. Requests and Announcements.

A. Requests by Council to place items on an agenda.

Update from Grant Works, Marshal Report, Update on Methodist church parking lot.

B. Announcements by Council.

Mayor Gibson announced that she was invited to speak at the Texas Hill Country Alliance for Groundwater regarding the well longevity study that was done.

12. Adjourn.

Mayor Gibson adjourned the meeting at 9:22PM

/s/ Jill Shelton

Jill Shelton, *City Secretary*