

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
REMOTE MEETING
THURSDAY, AUGUST 06, 2020**

MINUTES

In response to the coronavirus pandemic, effective March 16, 2020, Texas Governor Abbott suspended certain Open Meeting rules to allow meetings of government bodies that are accessible to the public to decrease large groups of people from assembling. The suspension temporarily removes the requirement that government officials and members of the public be physically present at a meeting location.

Call to Order

Mayor Clark called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Roll Call

The following members were present:

Mayor Lynn Clark
Councilmember Richard DuPree
Councilmember Chris Gordon
Mayor Pro Tem Paul Kenney
Councilmember Ian Theodore

The following member was absent:

Councilmember Tracee Elrod

Also in attendance:

John M. Smith, Jr., Town Administrator
Kristi K. Rogers, Town Secretary
Trey Sargent, Town Attorney

Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. And Texas Flags

Councilmember Gordon led the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. and Texas Flags.

Invocation

Councilmember Theodore gave the invocation.

Items of Community Interest

The animal advisory board meeting scheduled for August 3, 2020 has been cancelled and rescheduled for August 24, 2020.

The Parks and Recreation Board will host an Arbor Day Celebration and Great American Clean Up Event on Saturday, November 7, 2020.

The Lake Cities Trunk or Treat will be held on Friday, October 30, 2020 from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

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Walmart in Hickory Creek will host a Drive-In Movie event on August 28, 2020 and August 29, 2020.

Public Comment

There were no speakers for public comment.

Consent Agenda

1. Consider and act on a resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Hickory Creek, Texas hereby authorizing the Town Administrator of the Town of Hickory Creek, Texas to execute an interlocal cooperative purchasing agreement between the Town of Hickory Creek and the City of Hurst.
2. Consider and act on a resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Hickory Creek, Texas authorizing the issuance of a water well drilling permit for 1107 Ellard Drive, Hickory Creek, Texas.

Motion made by Councilmember DuPree to approve consent agenda items 1 and 2,
Seconded by Councilmember Gordon.

Voting Yea: Councilmember DuPree, Councilmember Gordon, Mayor Pro Tem Kenney,
Councilmember Theodore. Motion passed unanimously.

Regular Agenda

3. Consider and act on a resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Hickory Creek, Texas hereby authorizing the Mayor of the Town of Hickory Creek, Texas to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with LCG2L Sycamore Cove, LLC concerning dedication of right of way and payment of fees related to property generally located in the 1200 block of Sycamore Bend Road.

Aaron Ketchand, Leon Capital Group, provided an overview of agenda item 3 and 4.

Motion made by Councilmember Gordon to approve a resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Hickory Creek, Texas hereby authorizing the Mayor of the Town of Hickory Creek, Texas to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with LCG2L Sycamore Cove, LLC, Seconded by Councilmember Theodore.

Voting Yea: Councilmember DuPree, Councilmember Gordon, Mayor Pro Tem Kenney,
Councilmember Theodore. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Consider and act on a preliminary plat for the Sycamore Cove Addition, being 32.43 acres in the John Maloney Survey, A-819, Town of Hickory Creek, Denton County, Texas. The property is located in the 1200 block of Sycamore Bend Road.

Motion made by Councilmember Gordon to approve a preliminary plat for the Sycamore Cove Addition, being 32.43 acres in the John Maloney Survey, A-819, Town of Hickory Creek, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Kenney.

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Voting Yea: Councilmember DuPree, Councilmember Gordon, Mayor Pro Tem Kenney, Councilmember Theodore. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Consider and act on a resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Hickory Creek, Texas, proposing a tax rate which represents the No-New-Revenue tax rate for 2020; setting a date, time and place to adopt the 2020 tax rate.

Motion made by Councilmember Theodore to approve a resolution proposing a tax rate of 0.319943 which represents the No-New-Revenue tax rate for 2020, setting Monday, September 14, 2020, at 5:00 p.m. at town hall or via Zoom to adopt the 2020 tax rate, Seconded by Councilmember DuPree.

Voting Yea: Councilmember DuPree, Councilmember Gordon, Mayor Pro Tem Kenney, Councilmember Theodore. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Discussion regarding the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year Budget.

Discussions were held regarding the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year Budget.

7. Consider and act on a resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Hickory Creek, Texas setting a date, time and place for a public hearing on the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year Proposed Budget; setting a date, time and place to adopt the budget.

Motion made by Councilmember Gordon to approve a resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Hickory Creek, Texas setting a date of August 24, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom or town hall for a public hearing on the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year Proposed Budget; setting the same date, time and place to adopt the budget, Seconded by Councilmember DuPree.

Voting Yea: Councilmember DuPree, Councilmember Gordon, Mayor Pro Tem Kenney, Councilmember Theodore. Motion passed unanimously.

Executive Session

In accordance with Texas Local Government Code, Chapter 551, the Town Council did not convene into executive session to discuss the following matters.

Section 551.071

Consultation with Attorney on matters in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act, or on matters pertaining to pending or contemplated litigation.

8. Denton County Cause No. 20-2272-462

Reconvene into Open Session

9. Discussion and possible action regarding matters discussed in executive session.

No action taken; the town council did not convene into executive session.

Adjournment

Motion made by Councilmember Theodore to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Kenney.

Voting Yea: Councilmember DuPree, Councilmember Gordon, Mayor Pro Tem Kenney, Councilmember Theodore. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting did then stand adjourned at 5:54 p.m.

Approved:

Attest:

Lynn C. Clark, Mayor
Town of Hickory Creek

Kristi K. Rogers, Town Secretary
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