



Town Council Meeting

Monday, May 11, 2026 at 6:00 PM
102 W. Bailey Street, Ponder, TX 76259

NOTICE

THE TOWN COUNCIL FOR THE TOWN OF PONDER, TEXAS, WILL CONVENE IN PRE-COUNCIL AT 6:00 P.M. AND REGULAR SESSION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING IN PONDER TOWN HALL, AT 102 W. BAILEY STREET, PONDER.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND TEXAS PLEDGE

PRE-COUNCIL MEETING - 6:00PM *(In addition to the items listed below, Council members may have preliminary discussions about agenda items, allowing them to come to the regular meeting with a better understanding of the item.)*

STAFF REPORTS

REGULAR SESSION AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING

OPEN FORUM FOR CITIZEN INPUT (Please limit to 5 minutes per person and if you wish to speak on a particular agenda item, please list the agenda item next to your name.)

This is a time for the public to address the Town Council on any subject. However, the Texas Open Meetings Act prohibits the Town Council from discussing issues which the public has not been given three (3) business days' notice. Issues raised may be referred to Town Staff for research and possible future action.

Mayor Presentation

Recognize Council Member Deussen for her years of service to the Town of Ponder.

Administer oaths of office to Council Members.

Swear in Officer Daniel Oramas.

Proclamation of National Police Week May 11-17.

Proclamation of Public Works Week May 17-23, 2026.

Memorial Day May 25, 2026 Proclamation.

CONSENT AGENDA *(All matters listed as Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Town Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be a separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item may be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately.)*

1. Discuss, consider and possibly act on approval of minutes from April 13, 2026 and April 23, 2026 meetings.
2. Discuss, consider and possibly act on approval of Financial Statement.
3. Discuss, consider and possibly act on approval of Municipal Judge Ordinance.
4. Discuss, consider and possibly act on approval of Resolution to appoint Clay Riggs as the Town's representative on the UTRWD Board of Directors.

NEW BUSINESS

5. Discuss, consider and possibly act on approval of Ordinance 26-05, canvassing the May 2, 2026 special election results.
6. Discuss, consider and appoint Mayor Pro-Tem to serve a one-year term.
7. Discuss, consider and possibly act on removing EDC member Deussen.
8. Discuss, consider and possibly act on approval of Memorandum of Understanding between Ponder ISD and the Town for a school resource officer for the 2026-2027 fiscal year.

In accordance with Texas Government Code, Section 551.001, et seq., the Town Council will recess into Executive Session in accordance with the authority contained therein to discuss the following:

§551.074: Discuss the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, dismissal of, or to hear a complaint against the public officer or employee:

A. Town Administrator

B. EDC Member Deussen

ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

ADJOURN

BUDGET STATEMENT Pursuant to Section 551.043, Government Code, the following taxpayer impact statement must be included with the Town Council meeting notice at which the Town Council will discuss or adopt a budget for the Town of Ponder: For an average-valued homestead property (\$300,000.00), the Town's portion of the property tax bill in dollars for the current fiscal year (FY2025) is \$2,139.73, the Town's portion of the property tax bill for the upcoming fiscal year (FY2026) for the same property if the proposed budget is adopted is estimated to be \$2,083.14, and the Town's portion of the property tax bill in dollars for the upcoming fiscal year (FY2026) for the same property if a budget funded at the no-new-revenue rate under Chapter 26, Tax Code, is adopted is estimated to be \$2,083.14.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the above notice was posted on the bulletin board at the Ponder Town Hall at 102 W. Bailey Street, Ponder, Texas on the 5th day of May 2026, at 8:00 a.m.

Rebecca Zielinski, Town Secretary

If you plan to attend this public meeting and you have a disability that requires special arrangements at the meeting, please contact our office at 940-479-2396. Reasonable accommodations will be made to assist your needs.