



Town Council Meeting

Monday, April 13, 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

Mayor McGregor called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

*Council Member Ginger Deussen
Mayor Nick McGregor
Council Member Lael McWilliams
Mayor Pro-Tem John Estes
Council Member Mark Culpepper
Council Member Marc Shingelo*

INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND TEXAS PLEDGE

Mayor McGregor led the pledges and prayer.

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 understating of the item.)

STAFF REPORTS

1. Staff Reports

REGULAR SESSION AGENDA

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.

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.)*

Motion to remove item #3 and approve item #2 and #4 made by Mayor Pro-Tem Estes, Seconded by Council Member Culpepper.

Voting Yea: Council Member Deussen, Council Member McWilliams, Mayor Pro-Tem Estes, Council Member Culpepper, Council Member Shingelo.

Motion to table item #3 made by Mayor Pro-Tem Estes, Seconded by Council Member Deussen.

Voting Yea: Council Member Deussen, Council Member McWilliams, Mayor Pro-Tem Estes, Council Member Culpepper, Council Member Shingelo.

2. Discuss, consider and act on approval of meeting minutes from March 26th, 2026.
3. Discuss, consider, and act on approval of Municipal Court Judge contract.
4. Discuss, consider and act on approval of resolution updating and renewing the Town's Texas SmartBuy Membership.

NEW BUSINESS

5. Discuss, consider and possibly act on nominating a candidate to represent the Town of Ponder on the Denco Board of Managers.

No action taken.

EXECUTIVE SESSION AGENDA

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

Council did not enter executive session.

ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Town logo updates.

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.

Motion to adjourn made by Council Member Culpepper, Seconded by Council Member Shingelo. Voting Yea: Council Member Deussen, Council Member McWilliams, Mayor Pro-Tem Estes, Council Member Culpepper, Council Member Shingelo.

Mayor McGregor adjourned the meeting at 6:51pm.

Approve:

Date:

Nick McGregor, Mayor

Attest:

Rebecca Zielinski, Town Secretary