

Budget Workshop

Tuesday, September 20, 2022 at 5:00 PM 102 W. Bailey Street, Ponder, TX 76259

NOTICE

THE TOWN COUNCIL FOR THE TOWN OF PONDER, TEXAS, WILL CONVENE IN SPECIAL WORKSHOP SESSION AT 5:00 P.M. ON SEPTEMBER 20, 2022, IN PONDER TOWN HALL, AT 102 W. BAILEY STREET, PONDER.

REGULAR SESSION AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Those present were Council Member McWilliams, Council Member Couch, Mayor Pro-Tem McGregor, Council Member Lynch, Council Member Deussen and Mayor Poole.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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 seventy-two (72) hours' notice. Issues raised may be referred to Town Staff for research and possible future action.

Clem Deussen spoke before the Council about some concerns that he has. He stated that he hears and talks about a lot up at Bev's Coffee Shop. He said that he is about to open a can of worms that will hurt feelings about working hours and salaries. He thanked the Council for passing the PVFD Contract and that he is a part of Charlie's Social Club and will always take up for him. Mr. Deussen said that the water that is unmetered is probably because of water lease and that there has been one at his house for three months. He is concerned that Jeff Prose is on call with the Town also. He stated that he has doubts about around half of our Police Officers and all they do is sit on the well pad at the ballfields and that they are not doing their job. He said that they need to be at the redlight writing tickets. Mr. Deussen added that we need more business in Town and it seems like we can't keep businesses here. He wants to know why the Tow is holding up the Sonic and the School. He would also like to restore

normal working hours for the staff of Town Hall and stagger lunch hours. He doesn't think kin should work for the Town and according to Zip Recruiter, the Town Staff is grossly overpaid.
ORAL STAFF REPORTS None

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

1. Budget Workshop

The Council and Staff met for workshop. The General Fund budget was reviewed line by line. All questions from the Council were addressed and answered by Staff members, Sheri Clearman, Gary Morris and Scott Caster.

APPROVED:	ATTEST: