



Town Council

Monday, February 13, 2023 at 6:00 PM
102 W. Bailey Street, Ponder, TX 76259

MINUTES

REGULAR SESSION AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Those present were Council Member Deussen, Mayor Pro-Tem McGregor, Council Member Couch, council Member McWilliams. Council Member Lynch was absent.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Poole led both.

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.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. **Approval of Minutes from August 8, 2022, August 25, 2022, January 9, 2023, Town Council Meeting and January 9, 2023, ZBA meeting.**

Mayor Pro-Tem McGregor moved to approve the consent agenda. Motion seconded by Council Member Deussen. Ayes: Mayor Pro-Tem McGregor, Council Member Deussen, Council Member Couch and Council Member McWilliams. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

ORAL STAFF REPORTS

Chief Caster reported that Jeff Sissney had been promoted to Sergeant and that he is scheduled for training. He also stated that Lexipol Tier one has been completed and published and that Denton County has a new CAD system that is free to the Town PD and will help save money not having to

subscribe to Athena.

Mayor Poole announced that there will be a Public Hearing regarding one of the MUDs. The meeting will be on March 9, 2023 at the Marriott by Bucces off of Hwy 114. He also said that it is very important that as many people attend as can to ask questions regarding the environmental effects of this package plant that the MUD is requesting.

Mayor Poole updated everyone that he is still attending meetings with he Railroad and other Municipal officials regarding moving the passing tracks to the north as not to block Ponder railroad crossings. Mayor Poole also reported that the County attorney is currently working on an interlocal agreement for the new north/south road that is proposed west of the school property.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

2. The swearing in of the Town of Ponder Police Chief, Scott Caster.

Mayor Poole swore in Scott Caster as the Chief of Police for the Town of Ponder.

3. Consider and act on approval of Ordinance 23-01, calling for an election on May 6, 2023.

Council Member Deussen moved to approve Ordinance 23-01, calling for an election on May 6, 2023. Motion seconded by Council Member Couch. Ayes: Mayor Pro-Tem McGregor, Council Member Deussen, Council Member Couch and Council Member McWilliams. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

4. Consider and act on approval of a contract with Denton County to conduct the Town of Ponder General Election.

Council Member Couch moved to approve a contract with Denton County to conduct the Town of Ponder General Election. Motion seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem McGregor. Ayes: Mayor Pro-Tem McGregor, Council Member Deussen, Council Member Couch and Council Member McWilliams. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

5. Consider and act on renewal of a contract with Waste Connections.

Mayor Pro-Tem McGregor moved to approve renewal of the contract with Waste Connections. Motion seconded by Council Member McWilliams. Ayes: Mayor Pro-Tem McGregor, Council Member Deussen, Council Member Couch and Council Member McWilliams. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

ADJOURN

Council Member Couch moved to adjourn at 6:15pm. Motion seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem McGregor. Ayes: Mayor Pro-Tem McGregor, Council Member Deussen, Council Member Couch and Council Member McGregor. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 13th DAY OF MARCH, 2023.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Matthew Poole, Mayor

Sheri Clearman, Town Secretary