



## SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

City Hall Council Chambers, 298 West Washington Street  
Tuesday, August 16, 2022 at 6:00 PM

### MINUTES

The City Council of the City of Stephenville, Texas, convened on Tuesday, August 16, 2022 at 6:16 PM, in the City Hall Council Chambers, for the purpose of a Special Council Meeting, with the meeting being open to the public and notice of said meeting, giving the date, time, place and subject thereof, having been posted as prescribed by Chapter 551, Government Code, Vernon’s Texas Codes Annotated, with the following members present to wit:

**COUNCIL PRESENT:** Mayor Doug Svien  
Council Member LeAnn Durfey  
Council Member Justin Haschke  
Council Member Robert “Bob” Newby  
Mayor Pro Tem Ricky Thurman  
Council Member Gerald Cook  
Council Member David Baskett  
Council Member Mark McClinton

**COUNCIL ABSENT:** None

**OTHERS ATTENDING:** Jason M. King, City Manager  
Terri Johnson, Interim City Secretary

#### CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Svien called the meeting to order at 6:16 PM.

#### REGULAR AGENDA

##### 1. Set the Maximum Proposed Tax Rate for 2022

City Manager Jason King called on City Finance Director Monica Harris to brief the City Council on the following options for the tax rate for 2022:

No-new-revenue Tax Rate	\$0.3842/\$100 valuation
No-new-revenue Maintenance & Operations Tax Rate:	\$0.3696/\$100 valuation
Voter-approval Tax Rate	\$0.3958/\$100 valuation
Voter-approval Maintenance & Operations Tax Rate:	\$0.3812/\$100 valuation
Debt Rate:	\$0.0146/\$100 valuation

MOTION by Justin Haschke, second by Mark McClinton, to set the maximum proposed tax rate for 2022 at the voter-approval rate of \$0.3958/\$100 valuation. MOTION CARRIED unanimously 8/0 by the following vote:

AYES: Svien, Durfey, Haschke, Newby, Thurman, Baskett, Cook, McClinton

NOES: None

**2. Consider Award of 536 Wellfield Wells Project to Hydro Resources for \$2,732,209**

Public Works Director Nick Williams reviewed this project for the Council. He reported that the project includes the construction of five (5) deep water production supply wells within the City of Stephenville 536-acre wellfield property. When the wells are drilled, logged, developed, and a gallon-per-minute production rate is determined, the final project will be let to size, order, and install the pumps, motors, and electrical components for the wells to be activated.

Mr. Williams reported that bids were publicly opened and read at 2:00 PM on August 2, 2022. A single bid was received from Hydro Resources – Mid Continent, Inc. of Creedmoor, Texas in the amount of \$2,732,209. It was Staff’s recommendation, along with the recommendation from the engineer of record, Provence Engineering to award the bid to Hydro Resources. The project has a timeline of 270 calendar days.

MOTION by Mark McClinton, second by Bob Newby to award the bid for the 536 Wellfield Wells Project to Hydro Resources for \$2,732,209. MOTION CARRIED unanimously 7/0.

**3. Consider Approval of an Ordinance Amending Outside City Limits Water Rates**

City Manager King reviewed this agenda item with the Council and explained that currently the rate outside the city limits is 115% of the inside city limits rate. It was his suggestion to increase that rate to 150%.

MOTION by Mark McClinton, second by Gerald Cook, to approve Ordinance No. 2022-O-24 amending the outside city limits rates and providing an effective date. MOTION CARRIED unanimously 7/0.

The Mayor recessed the open session of the Special City Council Meeting at 6:34 PM to enter into Executive Session.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

In compliance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Law, Subchapter D, Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes, Annotated, in accordance with

**4. Section 551.087 Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations – Project Pearl**

Mayor Svien called the meeting into Executive Session at 6:36 PM.

The Executive Session was adjourned at 7:22 PM.

The Mayor reconvened the Special City Council Meeting at 7:24 PM.

**ACTION TAKEN ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION, IF NECESSARY**

**5. Section 551.087 Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations – Project Pearl**

No action needed at this time.

**ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:24 PM.

/s/ Doug Svien  
Doug Svien, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Terri Johnson  
Terri Johnson, Interim City Secretary