

CITY OF NEVADA

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MINUTES

COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, June 20, 2023

7:00PM at City Hall

Mayor – Ben Ponce

Council Member Place 1 – Mike Laye
Council Member Place 2 – Donald Deering
Council Member Place 3 – Kerrie Longoria

Council Member Place 4 – Clayton Laughter
Council Member Place 5 – Frank Hudson

City Staff:

Deuce Waters, City Secretary
Morgan Kowaleski, City Clerk

Citizens:

Russell Newton
Bruce Mathews
Judy Hudson

REGULAR MEETING

1. **Call to Order and Declaration of Quorum-**

Mayor Ponce led the meeting, and Council Member Deering was not present.

Time: 7:04pm

2. **Invocation-**

Mayor Ponce led the invocation.

3. **Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America-**

I pledge Allegiance to the flag, of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all.

Those in attendance pledged allegiance to the United States of America.

4. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag-**

Honor the Texas flag, I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible.

Those in attendance pledged allegiance to the Texas Flag.

5. **Public Comment-**

NOTE: The City of Nevada, Texas, City Council meets regularly on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 P.M. The Council adheres to the printed Agenda for official action. Any individuals desiring official action on a matter should submit a request for the item to be considered for inclusion on a future Agenda to the office of the City Secretary no later than fourteen (14) days prior to the Council Meeting.

Citizens are invited to address the City Council with public comments. Comments regarding items for which notice has not been given will be limited to three minutes, prior to discussion of agenda items, and Council responses shall be in accordance with Sec. 551.042 of the Texas Government Code. Comments regarding an item on the agenda may be given before or during discussion of that item. An intentional act intended to disrupt a Government meeting is prohibited.

There was none.

REPORTS

6. **Reports:**

a. **City Secretary Report-**

1. Good evening, Mayor, Council, and citizens. Please do not forget that Cards Waste & Recycling will be here for our cleanup date of Saturday August 26, 2023. City Clerk, Morgan Kowaleski has been in contact with Cards Waste Office Manager, Jada Graff, about an email contact list to send out a mass email of the flyer to have direct contact with our citizens.
2. I have attempted several times now to get in contact with Crossroads Field Superintendent, John Godfrey on his company cell phone and he never returned my calls. I now know why. I had a random cell phone number call me late last week and it was John Godfrey who advised that the new management has completely turned over the old employees and he was fired. I would have thought that whoever took John's cell phone would have returned my numerous voicemails about our project, but no one reached out to me. That said, Business Development Manager, Tracy Nichols with Centerline, who make traffic control products, pavement markings, etc. Mr. Nichols advised that he was going to send me several reputable companies that can install our signs. Mr. Nichols even advised that we could purchase the signs from them directly and have one of the contractors install them.
3. I have made contact with Wopac who advised that they have been put behind schedule due to the weather. They have advised that we are next on their list and will stay in touch with me on a start date.

4. The drainage issues that Ms. Janelle Deer brought before the council are now going to be starting the week July 10th. Chief Landscaping has been in contact with City Engineer, Chris Donnan and a plan has been formulated moving forward.
5. We have received our last invoice from Safe Built and will get them paid as soon as possible.
6. Mr. Rocky Turner who lives in Collin County came by today and completed an application to serve on the Nevada Economic Development Corporation and will be on the next City Council Agenda on July 5th.
7. Tentatively we will have court on Wednesday July 6th as you will see that our Code Enforcement Officer Dennis Wagner has written citations and depending on the violator coming in to contest the citation, court will happen.

b. **City Attorney Report**

City Attorney Shepherd was not present.

c. **Code Enforcement Report-**

Code Enforcement Officer, Dennis Wagner, provided the Code Enforcement Report in written form for the City Council.

d. **Financial Report (2nd Council Meeting)-**

Finance Director, Ray Smith, provided the Financial Report in written form for the City Council.

e. **Mayor Pro Tem Report-**

f. **Mayor's Report/Status-**

g. **NVFD Report (2nd Council Meeting)-**

There was no NVFD to report.

CONSENT AGENDA: ACTION

7. **Approval of previous meeting's minutes- June 6, 2023, Minutes-**

Council Member Laye made a motion to approve the minutes. Council Member Laughter seconded the motion. The motion was carried with a 4-0 vote.

REGULAR AGENDA

8. **Discuss and consider action on the Community Market that will take place at 202 E. FM 6 Nevada, Texas, 75173-**

There was no action taken on this agenda item.

9. **Discuss and consider action on proposed renovations to City Hall-**

Council Member Laye made a motion to table the agenda item. Council Member Longoria seconded the motion. The motion was carried with a 4-0 vote.

10. **Discuss and consider action on resolution No. R062023, a resolution of the City of Nevada, Texas approving and authorizing the professional services agreement for Municipal Court Judicial Services-**

Council Member Laye made a motion to approve. Council Member Longoria seconded the motion. The motion was carried with a 4-0 vote.

11. **Discuss and consider action on amending ordinance No. O020723, an ordinance providing for the participation in the Texas Municipal Retirement System and the supplemental death benefits fund by the city of Nevada Texas; and to make current service and prior service contributions to the city's account in the benefit accumulation fund of the Texas Municipal Retirement System at the actuarially determined rate of total employee compensation.**

Council Member Laye made a motion to approve. Council Member Longoria seconded the motion. The motion was carried with a 4-0 vote.

12. **Discuss and consider action on ordinance No. O062023, an ordinance regarding the regulation of food establishments including food service establishments, retail food stores, temporary food establishments, mobile food units, and roadside food vendors-**

Council Member Longoria made a motion to approve with the word "organizations" on exhibit A corrected. Council Member Laughter seconded the motion. The motion was carried with a 4-0 vote.

13. Discuss and consider action on the upcoming budget process and forming an oversight committee-

Council Member Laye made a motion to approve. Council Member Longoria seconded the motion. The motion was carried with a 4-0 vote.

14. Discuss and consider action on a website designer from one of the three proposals provided.

Council Member Laye made a motion to approve the proposal by Revize pending clarification on different payment options and the compatibility with the program MyGov. Council Member Longoria seconded the motion. The motion was carried with a 4-0 vote.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

15. Future Agenda Items

Future agenda items shall be designated by the Mayor. In addition, a motion and a second from any two Councilpersons shall be sufficient to add an agenda item for a future meeting. Staff and counsel shall have prior consent of the Mayor to add an agenda item for a future meeting.

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| 1. Court Fees | 6. Judith Hudson swearing in | 11. |
| 2. Amend the schedule of fees | 7. Karl Fisher swearing in | 12. |
| 3. Rocky Turner application | 8. | 13. |
| 4. Tax Rate | 9. | 14. |
| 5. Renovations to City Hall | 10. | 15. |

16. Executive Session - Time: N/A

17. Regular Session: Reconvene from Executive Session - Time: N/A

18. If required, act on items reviewed in Executive Session.

19. Adjournment / Closing - Time: 9:07pm.



Ben Ponce, Mayor

Attest:

Deuce Waters, City Secretary



