

**MINUTES OF THE
CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAMPA, TEXAS
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Lance DeFever at 4:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Lance DeFever Mayor
Paul Searl Commissioner
Brian Doughty Commissioner
Bryan Fisher Commissioner

ABSENT: Jimmy Keough Commissioner

STAFF: Shane Stokes City Manager
Bryan Guymon City Attorney-Via Zoom
Karen Price City Secretary
Gary Turley Director Public Works
Dustin Miller Community Services Director
Lance Richburg Chief of Police
Theresa Daniels Asst. Finance Director
Luke Wimmer Accountant
Cary Rushing Asst. Public Works Director
Kasey Presson Asst. Fire Chief

VISITORS: Tyson Paronto Byron Williamson
Phillis Garner Dale Garner
Sherry Garmon Dale Garmon
Clay Rice

NEWS MEDIA: John Lee Pampa News

INVOCATION: Byron Williamson Commission Chaplain

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Sherry Garmon
1220 E. Foster
Verifying a reported from her neighbor that the City had cut down her bushes in front of her house. Also want to know when the chuck holes in the streets would be repaired.

AUTHORIZATIONS BY CITY COMMISSION:

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1. Consider approving the minutes of the September 7, 2021 Public Hearing/Special Commission Meeting as presented.

A motion was made by Commissioner Searl and Seconded by Commissioner Fisher to approve the minutes of the September 7, 2021 Public Hearing/Special Commission Meeting as presented, with each Commission Member voting AYE the motion carried.

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2. Consider approving Gray County Appraisal District's 2022 Operating Budget.

Tyson Paronto, Chief Appraiser for the Gray County Appraisal District presented their 2022 Operating Budget.

A motion was made by Commissioner Doughty and Seconded by Commissioner Searl to approve the Gray County Appraisal District's 2022 Operating budget as presented, with each Commission Member voting AYE the motion carried.

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3. Consider adopting on second and final reading Ordinance No. 1755, an Ordinance by the City Commission setting a tax rate of \$0.73 per \$100 valuation on taxable property for the 2021-2022 fiscal year and levying an Ad Valorem Tax on all properties subject to taxation within the corporate limits of the City of Pampa.

ORDINANCE NO. 1755

AN ORDINANCE SETTING A TAX RATE OF \$0.73 ON EACH \$100.00 VALUATION OF PROPERTY AND LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES FOR USE AND SUPPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF PAMPA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OF 2021-2022; PROVIDING FOR APPORTIONING OF EACH LEVY FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES; PROVIDING WHEN TAXES SHALL BECOME DUE AND WHEN SUCH TAXES SHALL BECOME DELINQUENT IF NOT PAID AND FOR PENALTY AND INTEREST; PROVIDING FOR SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSES; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION OF THE CAPTION HEREOF.

A motion was made by Commissioner Doughty and Seconded by Commissioner Searl to adopt on second and final reading Ordinance No. 1755, an Ordinance by the City Commission setting a tax rate of \$0.73 per \$100 valuation on taxable property for the 2021-2022 fiscal year and levying an Ad Valorem Tax on all properties subject to taxation within the corporate limits of the City of Pampa, with Commissioner Keough being Absent; Mayor DeFever and Commissioners Searl, Doughty, and Fisher voting AYE in a Roll Call Vote, the motion carried.

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4. Consider ratifying the 2021-2022 City of Pampa Operating Budget and Tax Rate pursuant to the terms of Texas Local Government Code, Section 102.007(c) requiring ratification of the budget and tax rate as adopted, recognizing such budget will require more revenue from property taxes than did the budget adopted last year.

A motion was made by Commissioner Fisher and Seconded by Commissioner Doughty to ratify the 2021-2022 City of Pampa Operating Budget and Tax Rate pursuant to the terms of Texas Local Government Code, Section 102.007(c) requiring ratification of the budget and tax rate as adopted, recognizing such budget will require more revenue from property taxes than did the budget adopted last year, with each Commission Member voting AYE the motion carried.

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5. Consider adopting Resolution No. R21-032, a Resolution of the City of Pampa denying Southwestern Public Service Company's proposed rate increase request in connection with its Statement of Intent submitted on February 8, 2021.

RESOLUTION NO. R21-032

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF PAMPA, TEXAS ("CITY") DENYING SOUTHWESTERN PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY'S PROPOSED RATE INCREASE REQUEST IN CONNECTION WITH ITS STATEMENT OF INTENT SUBMITTED ON ABOUT FEBRUARY 8, 2021; REQUIRING REIMBURSEMENT OF REASONABLE LEGAL AND CONSULTANT EXPENSES; FINDING THAT THE MEETING COMPLIES WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT; MAKING OTHER FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT.

A motion was made by Commissioner Searl and Seconded by Commissioner Doughty to adopt Resolution No. R21-032, a Resolution of the City of Pampa denying Southwestern Public Service Company's proposed rate increase request in connection with its Statement of Intent submitted on February 8, 2021, with each Commission Member voting AYE the motion carried.

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6. Consider appointing Brad Pingel to the Panhandle Elderly Apartment Corporation Board for an unexpired term replacing Lance DeFever with term beginning October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2022.

A motion was made by Commissioner Doughty and Seconded by Commissioner Searl to appoint Brad Pingel to the Panhandle Elderly Apartment Corporation Board for an unexpired term replacing Lance DeFever with term beginning October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2022, with each Commission Member voting AYE the motion carried.

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7. Consider appointing Cade Taylor to the Board of Adjustments for a two-year term beginning October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2023.

A motion was made by Commissioner Fisher and Seconded by Commissioner Searl to appoint Cade Taylor to the Board of Adjustments for a two-year term beginning October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2023, with each Commission Member voting AYE the motion carried.

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8. CONSENT AGENDA – All Consent Agenda items are considered routine in nature by the Commission and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a Commissioner so request, in which event that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in normal sequence on the Agenda.
 - a. Consider reappointing Roy Morriss, Lynn Allison, and Gabino Facio to the Board of Adjustments for a two-year term beginning October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2023.
 - b. Consider reappointing Bobby Burns, Josh Crawford, and Kevin Redding to the Construction Board of Adjustments and Appeals for a two-year term beginning October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2023.
 - c. Consider reappointing Jeri Erickson and John Mead to the Lovett Memorial Library Advisory Board for a two-year term beginning October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2023.
 - d. Consider reappointing Audrey Meaker, Harold Price, and Rachel Schmidt to the Planning and Zoning Commission for a two-year term beginning October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2023.
 - e. Consider reappointing Kelly Everson, Tom Lindsey, and Chuck Morgan to the Hidden Hills Golf Advisory Board for a two-year term beginning October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2023.

A motion was made by Commissioner Searl and Seconded by Commissioner Fisher to approve the Consent Agenda, Items a through e as presented, with each Commission Member voting AYE the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business on the agenda, the meeting was adjourned at 4:29 p.m. by Mayor Lance DeFever.

Karen L. Price, City Secretary

Lance DeFever, Mayor