

STEPHANIE BLUME
Mayor
WANDA BOUCHARD
Councilwoman #1
CONNIE CAMPBELL
Mayor Pro Tem #2



JULIE TERRY
Councilwoman #5
STEPHANIE JOHNSON
Councilwoman #4
PHYLLIS LEWING
Councilwoman #3

CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ON MONDAY, THE 14TH DAY OF MARCH 2016, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF HARDIN WILL HOLD A REGULAR CALLED COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE CITY HALL LOCATED AT 142 CR 2010, HARDIN, TEXAS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING THE FOLLOWING AGENDA ITEMS. NO AGENDA ITEMS TO BE MOVED FROM CURRENT ORDER.

1. Call meeting to order.
2. Presentations and Prayer.
3. Acknowledgement of Guests / Public Comments. (Limited to 5 minutes per person)
4. Discussion from citizens that attended the Town Hall Meeting held before our regular council meeting to address Hardin City council with concerns or suggestions for council to consider in regards to the city.
5. Consider to approve the Financial Statements of February 2016.
 - a. Take action
6. Consider to approve the Minutes of the **Regular** called meeting on February 8, 2016.
 - a. Take action
7. Consider to approve the Minutes of the **Special** called meeting on February 15, 2016.
 - a. Take action
8. Consider and take action to approve the Minutes of the **Special** called meeting on March 7, 2016.
 - a. Take action
9. Consider to approve funds to publish the Amended Schedule of Fees Ordinance # 2015-04 #1 in The Vindicator as required.
 - a. Take action
10. Consider to amend the 2015-2016 General Budget & Sewer Budget as discussed in the Budget Workshop on March 14, 2016.
 - a. Take action
11. Consider for Council members to sign the Volunteer Authorization Letter for the Volunteers to work on the Sewer and Manholes. This has been approved by the City Attorney via email on 3/8/2016.
 - a. Take action

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The City Council reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above, as authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices) and 551.087 (Economic Development).

12. Consider to approve the 2015 effective tax rate at 0.226451453.
 - a. Take action

13. Consider to approve the bills to be paid in March 2016.
 - a. Take action

14. Consider the agreement from the Hardin Water Supply Board on the 90 day agreement to provide the City of Hardin with meter readings and to include the authorization to pay all fees associated with the agreement.
 - a. Take action

15. Consider charging Council members for any paper copies or CD's if the information is for personal use and not city business. If for personal use, a Public Information Request must be submitted.
 - a. Take action

16. Consider to allow the Temporary City Secretary, Lana Webb, to be bonded and fees to be paid by the City of Hardin.
 - a. Take action

17. Consider to accept the Certification of Unopposed Candidate for the Special Election to be held on May 7, 2016.
 - a. Take action

18. Consider to adopt the Order Cancelling the May 7, 2016 Special Election.
 - a. Take action

19. Discussion Only. The following agenda items (a, b & c), requested by Julie Terry, have been placed on the agenda in accordance with the Ordinance concerning the agenda. These items have been sent for an attorney general opinion as there is an AG Opinion stating duties reserved by statute to the Mayor or City Manager cannot be altered or reassigned to any other officer except by vote of the people through an election. The City Council may not call for an election on these issues on its own accord. The Mayor recommends that NO ACTION be taken on these items until we receive the AG Opinion for the City of Hardin.
 - a. Consider and take action for Mayor Pro Tem to place ad in newspaper for sewer increase of \$5.00 voted and approved by council @ January meeting.
 - b. Consider to open and select resumes for city secretary & sewer maintenance position and set salary cap. Allow Mayor Pro Tem to check references on candidates. If references check out to satisfaction of Mayor Pro Tem and candidates meet city requirements (posted in ad, bondable, criminal background), Allow Mayor Pro Tem to offer position to candidate.
 - c. Consider and take action for Mayor Pro Tem to contact Richard Brown and auditors to discuss property tax refunds.

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20. Consider to rescind Item # 12 from the March 7th Special Called Meeting giving Mayor Pro Tem Connie Campbell authorization to spend city funds on financial issues in which the Mayor is not allowed by Ordinance. (Unless approved by Council). Item # 6 (Original Agenda Item #15) of the March 7th meeting was previously approved to authorize the funds needed for repairs on all TCEQ sewer issues. (Please refer to the email from the City Attorney in regards to spending authorization).
21. Discussion Only. The following agenda item requested by Julie Terry (a) has been placed on the agenda in accordance with the Ordinance concerning the agenda. The Mayor recommends NO ACTION being taken on this item as Texas Criminal and Traffic Law states a municipality may alter by Ordinance prima facie speed limits from the results of an engineering and traffic investigation as stated by the Texas Transportation Commission. Please refer to the documentation provided regarding this matter.
 - a. Consider and take action to purchase and post varied speed limit signs throughout the city where needed.
22. Agenda Item Request submitted by Russell Fairchild for questions to council members and their answers.
23. The City Council will enter into Closed / Executive Session.

“Texas Government Code Sec. 551.071. CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY; CLOSED MEETING. The governmental body may adjourn into closed, executive session to conduct a private consultation with its attorney when the governmental body seeks the advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation, namely the Texas Workforce Commission Mediation Request regarding Zoraida Huerta vs. City of Hardin”.
24. Reconvene into Open Session and take action on Item # 23.
25. Consider allowing TML to represent the City of Hardin in Item # 23 (Zoraida Huerta vs. The City of Hardin) for the deductible amount of \$1000.00.
 - a. Take action
26. Consider the request by Leann Brents to pay all outstanding invoices from Swaim, Brents and Associates totaling \$13,150.00.
 - a. Take action
27. Mayor and Sewer Report
28. Adjourn.

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CERTIFICATION

THIS NOTICE WAS POSTED ON THE CITY HALL BULLETIN BOARD AND FILED IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT IN THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE ON 3/11, 2016 AT 5:15 P.M.

LANA WEBB, TEMPORARY CITY SECRETARY

I CERTIFY THAT THE ATTACHED NOTICE AND AGENDA ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED WERE REMOVED BY ME FROM THE CITY HALL BULLETIN BOARD ON THE _____, 2016.

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