

MINUTES OF THE POINT BLANK CITY COUNCIL

July 11, 2022

The Point Blank City Council met in regular session on Monday, July 11, 2022, at the Point Blank Civic Center in Point Blank, Texas.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mark Wood, Mayor
Larry Gumpert
Joe Hickinbotham
Russell Sims
Gary Wulf

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mel Basham

OTHERS:

Kelly Hoot

CONVENED

Mayor Wood called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. A quorum was present, and the meeting was called to order.

READING OF SECTION 42.05 OF THE PENAL CODE, DISRUPTION OF A MEETING OR PROCESSION

Mayor Wood did not read Section 42.05 of the Penal Code.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public attended.

MINUTES

Mayor Wood called the Council's attention to the minutes from the June 13, 2022, meeting and asked for a motion to approve them.

Mr. Gumpert made a motion to approve the minutes as presented.

Mr. Hickinbotham seconded the motion which carried (4 ayes, 0 nays).

CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE ON STREET REPAIRS

Mayor Wood and the Council discussed areas that need work. The mayor said he would like to delay working on drainage problems because the \$500,000 grant may be easier spent on drainage than streets.

Mayor Wood discussed alternate street materials that are being used in the county to replace asphalt. The alternative material is \$20-\$30 per foot compared to asphalt which is \$64 per foot but is increasing in price to \$96 per foot. The city cannot afford to continue to keep resurfacing at that cost.

He discussed the DETCOG meeting that will be held on July 28th in Hemphill. He plans to attend the meeting and hopefully will have a better idea on how the city can spend the grant money after the meeting.

Mayor Wood said he had heard that a certain percentage must be spent in low to moderate income areas.

UPDATE ON SHORT TERM RENTALS

Mayor Wood had a few photos of short term rentals that he asked the Council to identify. Two were identified by Mr. Hickinbotham and the other one was not identified. Members will drive around and see if they can locate the home.

Ms. Hoot said we have not received any more registration fees. At this time, there are three STR's that have registered.

CONSIDERATION AND DISCUSSION OF THE FY23 BUDGET

Mayor Wood distributed copies of the FY23 Budget and explained the proposed changes. He increased the amount budgeted for electricity and street repairs. He also budgeted a new computer for the secretary.

LEDGER REPORTS

Ms. Hoot gave an overview of the ledger reports.

The balances are:

First State Bank Checking Account	\$218,473.60
First State Bank Grant Account	\$2,875.02
Petty Cash	\$13.60
First National Bank Savings Account	\$137,038.64

Sales tax for the month was \$8,399.56.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Wood said he had discussed the street situation in Forest Cove (not being dedicated as public streets) with the County Judge and Commissioners. They agree it is not a county problem it is a city problem. Mayor Wood said Forest Cove has sent a letter to the city requesting their streets be dedicated to the city for public use.

Mayor Wood said if the city approved Forest Cove's request it would make Forest Cove eligible for any grants the city may receive. It really wouldn't change anything because the city has been taking care of their streets since the 1970's. This topic will be put on the August agenda for a vote.

The Mayor discussed building codes and said there is a law that requires cities to have building codes. The county did not adopt building codes in 2009 so we are in limbo since the county doesn't have them. He is trying to find out what we must do to comply.

Mayor Wood said he had covered everything that he had to discuss. There will not be a food truck in July and August.

COMMENTS FROM ALDERMEN

There were no comments.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no executive session.

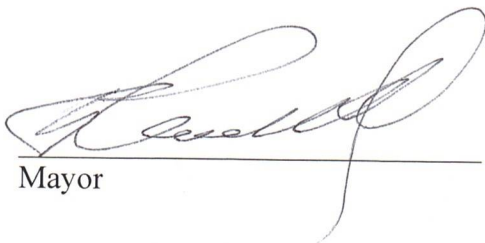
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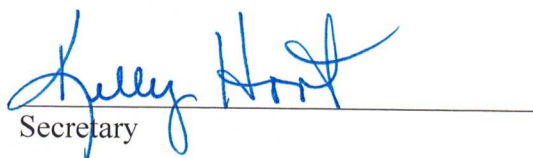
Mayor Wood said if there were no additional comments, he would like to ask for a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Gumpert made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Mr. Wulf seconded the motion which carried (4 ayes, 0 nays).

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.



Mayor

Secretary