

**THE CITY OF CISCO  
CITY COUNCIL, REGULAR CALLED MEETING  
December 12, 2022**

**CISCO, TEXAS §  
EASTLAND, COUNTY §**

The City Council of the City of Cisco met in a regular called session at the Cisco Council Chambers in Cisco as scheduled, and notice was posted 72 hours in advance and prior to the meeting.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

<b>MAYOR</b> _____	<b>STEPHEN FORESTER</b>
<b>COUNCILMEMBER PLACE I</b> _____	<b>JASON WHETSTONE</b>
<b>COUNCILMEMBER PLACE II</b> _____	<b>ROBERT JOHNSTON</b>
<b>COUNCILMEMBER PLACE IV</b> _____	<b>NATHAN BRUNER</b>

**PERSONNEL PRESENT:**

<b>CITY MANAGER</b> _____	<b>DARWIN ARCHER</b>
<b>CITY SECRETARY</b> _____	<b>TAMMY OSBORNE</b>

**PERSONNEL ABSENT:**

<b>COUNCILMEMBER PLACE III</b> _____	<b>WILLARD JOHNSON</b>
<b>COUNCILMEMBER PLACE V</b> _____	<b>CHRIS JOHNSON</b>
<b>COUNCILMEMBER PLACE VI</b> _____	<b>TRAVIS TOOF</b>

Guests: Kenneth Preston, Walter Fairbanks, Richard Harrison, Paul Flores, Marty Sanders, Anthony Koch, Jeffery Brown, Tom Tinsley

**I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

Mayor Forester called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**II. PLEDGES**

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Pledge to the Texas Flag

**III. INVOCATION:**

Councilmember Whetstone gave the invocation.

**IV. CITIZEN-VISITOR COMMENTS:**

Mr. Richard Harrison addressed the Council regarding property that he owns that a survey shows does not include all the property thought to belong to him. There is a discrepancy with his property and city owned property. He requests that the city find an amicable agreement to legalize the property lines previously agreed to so that he can sell the property.

**V. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING CONDUCTED ON:**

- **November 28, 2022**

Motion was made by Councilmember Johnston to accept the minutes as presented, second was made by Councilmember Whetstone. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Whetstone, Johnston, Bruner, Forester  
Nays: None/Motion Carries  
Voted: 4 to 0  
Absent: W. Johnson, C. Johnson, Toof

**VII. THE CITY COUNCIL MAY DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE ACTION ON ANY OF THE FOLLOWING AGENDA ITEMS:**

**A. Consider and Discuss Consultation with Attorney Regarding Lawsuit, Lloyd Houghton, Vicki Johnson, Mark Smith vs. City of Cisco. (Executive Session)**

The Council retired into Executive Session under Section 551.071 Consultation with attorney at 6:07 p.m.

**B. Consider and Discuss Consultation with Attorney Regarding Annexation. (Executive Session)**

The Council continued in Executive Session for this item as well.

The Council reconvened into Open Session at 6:43 p.m. and took no action.

**C. Consider and Discuss Swimming Pool.**

Mr. Archer indicated that the parties interested in discussing the item were not present and requested that the Council table the item.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bruner to table the item, second was made by Councilmember Johnston. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Whetstone, Johnston, Bruner, Forester  
Nays: None/Motion Carries  
Voted: 4 to 0  
Absent: W. Johnson, C. Johnson, Toof

**D. Consider and Discuss Premium Pay for City Employees.**

Mr. Archer explained that the city had received the second allotment of ARPA funds and as was the decision last year, he would like to award premium pay to all city employees who worked the required number of hours as outlined in the American Rescue Plan. Each employee would be awarded \$2,000.00 before taxes for a total of \$68,000.00 in funds disbursed.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bruner to approve Premium Pay for city employees, second was made by Councilmember Whetstone. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Whetstone, Johnston, Bruner, Forester  
Nays: None/Motion Carries  
Voted: 4 to 0  
Absent: W. Johnson, C. Johnson, Toof

**Consider and Discuss Capstone Metering.**

Mr. Archer again commented that the city had not been able to secure equipment or services from Capstone in violation of the current fully paid contract. He stated that he has attempted to find solutions with the head of Capstone to no avail. He would like permission to engage a more formal action in the form of a curing letter informing the company of the city's feeling that they are in breach of contract.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bruner to move forward with sending a curing letter to Capstone, second was made by Councilmember Johnston. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Whetstone, Johnston, Bruner, Forester  
Nays: None/Motion Carries  
Voted: 4 to 0  
Absent: W. Johnson, C. Johnson, Toof

**E. Consider and Discuss Long Range Planning**

Mr. Archer said that city offices would be closed 12/22-12/26 for the Christmas holiday and again on 1/2/23 for New Year's Day. Also, the city Christmas party would be 12/13/22 at 6:00 p.m. and all were invited and encouraged to attend.

**F. Announcements for City Council.**

Councilmember Bruner asked that Mr. Harrison's concerns be addressed by the City Manager and brought to a future meeting if intervention by the Council is necessary.

Mayor Forester reminded the Council and guests that a meal would be served on Christmas Day for any needing or wanting to participate.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Councilmember Whetstone to adjourn, second made by Councilmember Johnston. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

**Tammy Osborne, City Secretary**

**Stephen Forester, Mayor**

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