



## CITY OF WHITEWRIGHT

City Council  
Regular Meeting  
Whitewright Visitor Center  
111 W. Grand  
November 1, 2016  
Minutes

The City Council of Whitewright met for a Regular Meeting Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. in the Whitewright Visitors Center, the same being open to the public with the following members present:

Councilmember	Jason Summers
Councilmember	Bart Bodine
Councilmember	Russell Ponder
Councilmember	Ruby Howell
Councilmember	John Simon

Others present: Mayor, Jeremiah Looney, Gwyn Jordan, Lance Freer, Laura Freer, Laurie Summers, Sarah Owen, Brandon Latimer, Tona Shippet, Dwayne Henderson, Mike Martin, Beau Heistand, Roger Palmer, Cathy Pierce, Mark Kline, Chris Ely, Austin Layman

1. Call meeting to Order and Establish a Quorum:

**Mayor Looney called the meeting to order with the above Council members present at 5:30.**

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance:

**Councilmember Jason Summers led the invocation and pledge of allegiance.**

3. Action Items:

3a. Approval of Minutes from the Called Meeting dated October 26, 2016 meeting:

**Councilmember John Simon made the motion to accept the minutes from October 26, 2016 meeting,**

**Councilmember Russell Ponder seconded, Motion carried 5-0**

4. Citizens Forum: *(State law prohibits the City Council from considering or deliberating on any item not listed on the posted City Council agenda. A person may address the Council on items not on the printed agenda. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes. The Council may not comment or deliberate regarding such statements or comments during this period. Any discussion of the subjects must be limited to a proposal to place the subject on the agenda for a future meeting. Sec. 551.042 of Open Meeting Act).*

5. Action Items:

5a. Consider and approve current bills for payment:

**Councilmember Jason Summers made a motion to accept the current bills for payment.**

**Councilmember John Simon seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0**

5b. Consider and approve Monthly Departmental Reports:

**Each Department head gave their monthly report. It was reported by Tona Shippet that the Permit Fee needed to be \$85.00 per Bureau Veritas Contract and we had only been charging \$80.00.**

**Councilmember John Simon made a motion to accept the Monthly Departmental Reports and to begin charging \$85.00 for permit fees as it should have already been.**

**Councilmember Bart Bodine seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0**

5c. Consider and approve Amendment of Whitewright Municipal Code regarding Speed Limits:

**Councilmember Russell Ponder made a motion to accept the Amendment of Whitewright Municipal Code regarding Speed Limits within the city limits.**

**Councilmember Jason Summers seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0**

5d. Consider and approve Estimate from Control Specialist for repairs to Sewer Plant:

**Councilmember John Simon made a motion to approve the estimate from Control Specialist for repairs to the Sewer Plant.**

**Councilmember Russell Ponder seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0**

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5e. Consider and approve Estimate from Control Specialist for repairs to Pump Station:

**Councilmember Russell Ponder made a motion to approve estimate from Control Specialist for repairs to Pump Station.**

**Councilmember Ruby Howell seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0**

5f. Consider and approve estimate to repair water storage tank:

**Councilmember John Simon made a motion to table the repair to the water storage tank.**

**Councilmember Russell Ponder seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0**

5g. Consider and approve amending fee schedule to include a fee to process Vehicle Registrations:

**Councilmember John Simon made a motion to amend the fee schedule to include a fee to process Vehicle Registrations.**

**Councilmember Ruby Howell seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0**

5h. Consider and approve upgrades on Asyst program:

**Councilmember Ruby Howell made a motion to accept the upgrades on the Asyst Programs and to finance them for the 12 month plan.**

**Councilmember Russell Ponder seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0**

5i. Consider and approve hiring Eddie Peacock, CPA, to review financial procedures and guidance on budget and audit matters:

**Councilmember John Simon made a motion to approve using Eddie Peacock, CPA on a trial basis until the end of the year as needed.**

**Councilmember Ruby Howell seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0**

5j. Consider and approve placing a fence around the old Nursing Home:

**Councilmember Russell Ponder made a motion to approve putting a fence with signs around the old Nursing Home and put grass killer on the grass to maintain easier at a split cost with 4B pending their approval at their next meeting and a cost of approximately \$2,000.00.**

**Councilmember Bart Bodine seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0**

5k. Consider and approve 4a doing a 3-5 year project through the USDA for revolving loan:

**Mark Kline explained the possibility of 4A getting a USDA Revolving Loan. Councilmember John Simon made a motion to approve the 4A to proceed.**

**Councilmember Ruby Howell seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0**

6. Informational Reports: (These reports are for information only. No discussion is appropriate unless there is a specific item listed below or there is a request that the item be placed on a subsequent agenda as a discussion and action item. Sec. 551.0415 of Open Meetings Act):

6a. Mayor's Report:

Update on Projects

**Mayor Looney notified everyone of the Brownfield Public Meeting as well as the Town Hall Meeting to be held on November 15<sup>th</sup>.**

**Also, the purchase of the new police vehicle had been completed for the amount of \$10,000.00 and then notification of the need to update the graphics and to outfit the vehicle for approximately \$11,000.00**

New Projects

**None**

6b. Council Concerns

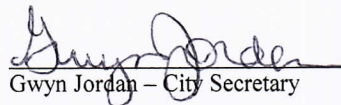
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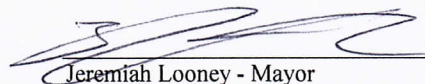
7. Adjourn:

**Councilmember John Simon made a motion to adjourn.**

**Councilmember Jason Summers seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:08.**

ATTEST BY:

  
Gwyn Jordan – City Secretary

  
Jeremiah Looney - Mayor