



**City of Whitewright  
City Council  
Regular Meeting  
Whitewright Visitor Center  
111 W. Grand  
September 3, 2019, 6:30 p.m.**

**Agenda**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WHITEWRIGHT WILL BE HELD ON THE 3rd DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2019, AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE WHITEWRIGHT VISITOR CENTER LOCATED AT 111 W. GRAND, CITY OF WHITEWRIGHT, TEXAS, AT WHICH TIME THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS WILL BE DISCUSSED. NOTICE OF VIDEOCONFERENCE CALL PURSUANT TO TEX. GOV'T CODE 551.127.

The meeting will be open to remote participation by a member(s) of the City Council by videoconference call, in compliance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act. The intent is for a quorum of the City Council to be physically present at the meeting location at 111 W. Grand, Whitewright, Texas.

A member of the City Council of the City of Whitewright may participate remotely in this meeting of the City Council of the City of Whitewright by means of a videoconference call with video and audio feed of the member's participation, as applicable, to be broadcast live at the meeting. Gov't Code 551.127 (a-1)

A member of a governmental body who participates in a meeting as provided by Gov't Code 551.127 (a-1) shall be counted as present at the meeting for all purposes. Gov't Code 551.127 (a-2)

A member of a governmental body who participates in a meeting by videoconference call shall be considered absent from any portion of the meeting during which audio or video communication with the member is lost or disconnected. The governmental body may continue the meeting only if a quorum of the body remains present at the meeting location. Gov't Code 551.127 (a-3)

Pursuant to Gov't Code 551.127 (e), a quorum of the governmental body will be physically present and the member of the governmental body presiding over the meeting will be present at 111 W. Grand, Whitewright, Texas.

The subjects to be discussed are listed below:

**1. CALL TO ORDER** - Call to order by the Mayor.

**2. INVOCATION**

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**4. ROLL CALL**

Jamie Lawrence — Mayor  
Rick Magers

Traci Barr  
Randy Glover

Bart Bodine  
Jason Summers – Mayor Pro Tem

**5. OPEN PUBLIC HEARING**

**PUBLIC HEARING PROPOSED TAX RATE 2019-2020**

A tax rate of \$0.651424 per \$100 valuation has been proposed for adoption by the governing body of the CITY OF WHITEWRIGHT. This rate exceeds the lower of the effective or rollback tax rate, and state law requires that two public hearings be held by the governing body before adopting the proposed tax rate.

The governing body of the CITY OF WHITEWRIGHT proposes to use revenue attributable to the tax rate increase for the purpose of personnel and additional maintenance & operation expenses.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.651424 PER \$100
PRECEDING YEAR'S TAX RATE	\$0.643040 PER \$100
EFFECTIVE TAX RATE	\$0.603171 PER \$100
ROLLBACK TAX RATE	\$0.651424 PER \$100

- a. Citizens Comments
- b. Council Comments
- c. Close Hearing

**6. CITIZEN 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 provide factual information or provide existing City policy information in response to the inquiry, or propose to place the subject on the agenda for a future meeting. Sec. 551.042 of Open Meetings Act).

**7. CONSENT AGENDA** (All consent agenda items are considered routine by City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Councilmember requests an item be removed and considered separately.)

7.1 \*To approve bills paid in August, 2019

7.2 \*To review Ad Valorem taxes received for the month of July, 2019

7.3 \*Approve Minutes

a. August 6, 2019

b. August 20, 2019

c. August 27, 2019

7.4 \*Report from Fire Department — Chief Dwayne Henderson

Incident County, Incident Type, Statistics, Responding Personnel, Grants, and equipment maintenance.

7.5 \*Report from Library Director — Chris Ely

Library statistics

7.6 \*Report from Public Works Director — Brandon Latimer

Leaks, New Well Construction, Wastewater Plant, Wells, Towers, Meters

7.7 \*Report from Water Utility Clerk— Shennell Cox

Number of customers, delinquencies, number of new customers

7.8 \*Report from Police Department — Chief Rick Webber

Fuel Consumption, citations issued, crime data report.

7.9 \*Municipal Court Report — Brandi Robinson

Monthly Fines and Court Costs received and Monthly Statistics

7.10 \*Report from EMS Department — Michael Taylor

Number of runs, fuel consumption, repairs to ambulance

7.11\*Financial Reports — Gwyn Jordan

Current financial reports.

7.12\*4A current financial reports. Current Bills/Statement of Revenue and Expenditures

7.13\*4B current financial reports. Current Bills/Statement of Revenue and Expenditures

## **8. Report from Mayor— Jamie Lawrence**

### **Dates of upcoming events:**

September 5<sup>th</sup> Planning and Zoning 6:30 p.m.

September 9<sup>th</sup> 4b 7:00 p.m.

September 10<sup>th</sup> Chamber of Commerce 5:30 p.m.

September 12<sup>th</sup> Budget Hearing/2<sup>nd</sup> Tax Hearing/Budget Workshop 6:30 p.m.

September 16<sup>th</sup> Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament 10:30 a.m. Check in

September 19<sup>th</sup> Adopt the Budget/Ratify the Tax Rate/ Adopt the Tax Rate 6:30 p.m.

September 23<sup>rd</sup> 4a 5:30 p.m.

## **9. ACTION ITEMS**

9.1 Consider and approve the budget revisions to 2018-2019 Budget

9.2 Consider and approve the 2019-2020 Budget for the Whitewright Economic Development Board

## **10. WORKSHOP**

10.1 2019-2020 Budget Workshop

## **11. ADJOURN**

### **CERTIFICATION**

Items marked with \* are on the consent agenda and will be voted on in one motion unless a council member asks for a separate discussion.

1. City Council may vote and/or act upon each of the action items listed in this Agenda pursuant to the Open Meetings Act.

2. The Council reserves the right to retire in to executive session concerning any of the items listed on this Agenda, whenever it is considered necessary and legally justified under the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code Vernon's Texas Code Annotated in accordance with the authority contained in Section 551.071 — Consultation with attorney, Section 551.072 — Deliberation regarding real property, Section 551.073 — Deliberation regarding prospective gift, Section 551.074 — Personnel matters, Section 551.076 — Deliberation regarding security devices, and Section 551.087 — Deliberation regarding economic development negotiations.

4. Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need assistance should contact City Hall at 903-364-2219 two working days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made. This facility is wheelchair accessible and accessible parking spaces are available.

I certify that this Notice of Meeting was posted on this 31st day of August, 2019 on or before 6:30 p.m. as required by law in accordance with Section 551.043 of the Texas Government Code. This agenda is posted on the City of Whitewright website: [www.whitewright.com](http://www.whitewright.com). and on the window of City Hall.

**Gwyn Jordan**

Gwyn Jordan – Interim City Secretary