



City of Whitewright  
City Council  
Regular Meeting  
Whitewright Visitor Center  
111 W. Grand  
April 2, 2019, 6:30 p.m.

**Minutes**

The city council of Whitewright met for a regular meeting on Tuesday, April 2, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. in the Whitewright Visitor Center, the same being open to the public with the following members present:

Mayor	Jamie Lawrence
Councilmember	Sarah Owen
Councilmember	Bart Bodine
Councilmember	Rick Magers
Councilmember	Randy Glover
Councilmember	George Fenner

Others in attendance: Suzy Sauls, Russell Ponder, Laura Freer, Lance Freer, Cynthia Rogers, Jack Rogers, Jackie Wood, Gary Hicks, Rhonda Hicks, Michael Taylor, Jeff Bridges, Leslie Blanton, Harmon Wood, Tabitha Perdue, Kathy Capps, Cheryl Harvey, Melissa Lewis, Bryan Lewis, Anita Richardson, Alex Iva, Kenneth Franklin, Shirley Ballard, Jan Sager, Martha Mangrum, Rose Mize, June Gail Purdom, Drew Satterwhite, David Perkins, Lynn Williams, Joshua Waller, Wende Andrew, Wilma Ballard, OC Smith, Kristi Pritchett, Jerry Blanton, Betty Pritchett, Rebekah Card, Sally O'Brian, Traci Barr, Cathy Bounds, Harold Langford, Barbara Hughes, Dee Ann Alexander, Christina Hufstetler, Angi Gerner, Dwayne Henderson, Rick Webber, Michael Green, John Simon, Ricky Rice, Gwyn Jordan, Eric Prindle, Kollin Lankford

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

*Mayor Lawrence called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.*

**2. INVOCATION** – Kenneth Franklin

*Invocation given by Kenneth Franklin*

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

*Pledge given.*

**4. ROLL CALL**

Jamie Lawrence – Mayor  
Rick Magers - Present

Sarah Beth Owen - Present  
Randy Glover – Mayor Pro-Tem - Present

Bart Bodine - Present  
George Fenner - Absent

**5. 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.)

*Kristi Pritchett – Commented on the location of the city limit line in relation to her property and when it was changed.  
Wende Andrew – Commented on the money needed to support the water project, lawsuits.*

**6. 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.)

*Councilmember Owen made a motion to remove 6.1 and 6.10 from the Consent Agenda  
Councilmember Glover made a motion to approve the remaining Consent Agenda,  
Councilmember Owen second  
Motion passed 5-0  
Councilmember Owen made a motion to approve 6.1  
Councilmember Glover second  
Motion passed 4-0  
Councilmember Owen made a motion to not approve financials,  
Motion died due to lack of second  
Councilmember Glover made a motion to approve 6.10  
Councilmember Rick Magers second  
Motion passed 3-1*

- 6.1 \*To approve bills paid in March, 2019
- 6.2 \*To review Ad Valorem taxes received for the month of February, 2019
- 6.3 \*Report from Fire Department – Chief Dwayne Henderson  
Incident County, Incident Type, Statistics, Responding Personnel, Grants, and equipment maintenance.
- 6.4 \*Report from Library Director – Chris Ely  
Library statistics
- 6.5 \*Report from Public Works Director – Brandon Latimer  
Leaks, New Well Construction, Wastewater Plant, Wells, Towers, Meters
- 6.6 \*Report from Water Utility Clerk – Brandi Robinson  
Number of customers, delinquencies, number of new customers
- 6.7 \*Report from Police Department – Chief Rick Webber  
Fuel Consumption, citations issued, crime data report.
- 6.8 \*Municipal Court Report – Brandi Robinson  
Monthly Fines and Court Costs received and Monthly Statistics
- 6.9 \*Report from EMS Department – Michael Taylor  
Number of runs, fuel consumption, repairs to ambulance, March, 2019 EMS Employee Changes
- 6.10 \*Financial Reports – Gwyn Jordan  
Current financial reports.
- 6.11 \*4A current financial reports. Current Bills/Statement of Revenue and Expenditures
- 6.12 \*4B current financial reports. Current Bills/Statement of Revenue and Expenditures

**7. Report from Mayor – Jamie Lawrence**

**Dates of upcoming events:**

- April 8<sup>th</sup> 6:00 p.m. Meet the Candidate Night
- April 8<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm. 4B
- April 9<sup>th</sup> 5:30 p.m. Chamber of Commerce
- April 13<sup>th</sup> 6:00 Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet
- April 15<sup>th</sup> 5:00 p.m. 4A
- April 19<sup>th</sup> Good Friday Holiday – City Offices Closed
- April 21<sup>st</sup> Easter Sunday
- April 22<sup>nd</sup> thru April 26<sup>th</sup> Early Voting – City Hall 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- April 29<sup>th</sup> thru April 30<sup>th</sup> Early Voting – City Hall 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- May 4<sup>th</sup> Election Day

**Updates**

- Playground Equipment

**8. ACTION ITEMS**

- 8.1 Consider and designate authorized signatures for city bank accounts.  
*Mayor moved to postpone 8.1.*
- 8.2 Consider and approve new water rates  
*Councilmember Owen made a motion to postpone 8.2,  
Motion died for lack of second  
Councilmember Glover asked Mayor to continue to discuss  
Councilmember Glover made a motion to, discuss  
Councilmember Owen second  
Councilmember Glover made a motion to approve the proposed water rates  
Councilmember Bodine second  
Motion passed 3-1*
- 8.3 Consider and approve Ordinance No. 538 - An ordinance of the City Council of the city of Whitewright, Texas adding to the city code and placing restrictions on certain sex offenders; setting a criminal penalty; confirming severability; authorizing publication; and, establishing an effective date  
*Councilmember Owen made a motion to approve Ordinance #538  
Councilmember Glover second  
Motion passed 4-0*
- 8.4 Consider and approve repairs for sewer plant aerator  
*Councilmember Owen made a motion to discuss,  
Councilmember Glover second  
Councilmember Magers made a motion to approve the repairs  
Councilmember Glover second  
Motion passed 3-0 1 abstained*

*Council convened into Executive Session at 7:44 p.m.*

## **9. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The City Council will convene in closed session pursuant to the provisions of the Open Meeting Law, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.

Executive Session as authorized by Texas Government Code 551.071 Consultation with attorney, and

Executive Session as authorized by Texas Government Code 551.074, Personnel Matters; to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee.

City Secretary – Procedures and interviews for possible employment

END EXECUTIVE SESSION

*Council reconvened into Regular Session at 8:36 p.m.*

## **10. RECONVENE**

Reconvene into regular session and consider action, if any, on items discussed in Executive Session.

**10.1** City Secretary – possible employment

## **11. ADJOURN**

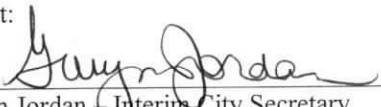
*Councilmember Owen made a motion to adjourn*

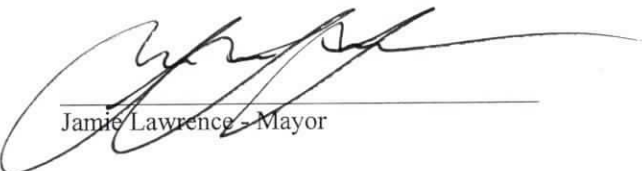
*Councilmember Glover second*

*Motion passed 4-0*

*Meeting adjourned 8:36 p.m.*

Attest:

  
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Gwyn Jordan - Interim City Secretary

  
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Jamie Lawrence - Mayor