

City of Danbury
Regular Council Meeting
Minutes
Thursday,
May 16, 2024

Call to Order: Mayor Suzanne Powell called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Council Present: Gordon Hatthorn, Keith Woods, Rocky Hicks and Heather Martin.

Council Absent: Jon Williams

Pledge

Prayer: Clint Williams

Public Comment: NONE

Mayor Update: NONE

Council and Staff Comments:

Erin Nolan reminded everyone to please share that residents could subscribe to the website at www.danburytx.gov . When they subscribe they will receive emails with updates as things are posted to the website.

Heather Martin congratulated Mayor Powell on being nominated to the BCCA Board.

Mayor Powell mentioned that it was Police recognition week.

Consent Agenda:

1. Consideration of April Financial Statements
2. Consideration of Credit Card Statement- 3.18.2024-4.15.2024
3. Notification of All Bank accounts- available balance as of 5.16.2024
4. Consideration of April Police Report/Maintenance Log
5. Consideration of April Municipal Court Report
6. Consideration of April Community Center Report
7. Consideration of April Park Report
8. Consideration of April Time Report
9. Consideration of April Utility Report
10. Consideration of Building/Electrical Inspector Report
11. Consideration of Utility Department Vehicle Report

**Motion by Rocky Hicks and seconded by Heather Martin to accept the Consent Agenda.
PASSES**

Consent Agenda:

12. Consideration of Monthly Bills (Check Register from 4.1.2024-4.30.2024)

Motion by Heather Martin and seconded by Gordon Hatthorn to accept the monthly bills (Check register from 4.1.2024-4.30.2024)

Passes but councilman Keith Woods abstains.

General Business:

1. Discussion of updates to Animal Ordinance 06-13

Mayor Powell gave a brief update after the town hall meeting we suggested sending in complaints or suggestions from the residents. We have received a total of 12. 1 came in the day after the town hall. 1 came in last week. 10 came in today.

There are no updates to the drafted ordinance at this time. We are taking the time to receive and read all the suggestions that have come in. Still want to encourage everyone to send in their comments to the city. It will be brought back approximately every 3rd meeting.

Reminder that meetings are the first and third Thursday of the month. Subscribe to the website for updates in regard to Agendas, minutes and other things.

2. Discussion and Consideration of regular council meeting minutes from 4.18.2024 meeting. (Erin Nolan)

Motion by Rocky Hicks and seconded by Gordon Hatthorn to accept regular council meeting minutes from 4.18.2024.

Passes but councilman Heather Martin abstains because she was not in attendance of the meeting.

3. Discussion and Consideration of special council meeting minutes from 4.25.2024 meeting. (Erin Nolan)

Motion by Gordon Hatthorn and seconded by Rocky Hicks to accept regular council meeting minutes from 4.25.2024.

Passes but councilman Heather Martin abstains because she was not in attendance of the meeting.

4. Discussion and Consideration of City of Danbury Town Hall meeting minutes from 5.2.2024. (Erin Nolan)

TABLED

5. Discussion and Consideration of special council meeting minutes form 5.6.2024 meeting. (Erin Nolan)

TABLED

6. Discussion and Consideration of tree removal quote for Skrabanek Park. (Sue Powell)

Brenda Milligan would like to know if that would include removing the limb on top of the pavilion. She also stated that last time Landyn Trees did a good job.

Motion by Heather Martin and seconded by Gordon Hatthorn to approve Landyn Trees quote of \$3,000.00 from removal of two trees from Skrabanek Park.

PASSES

7. Police Update. (Chief Henken)

To date: they have had 39 tickets, 22 warnings, and 21 reports. 220 Call volume. We have a unit down, the control switch went out. Waiting on the part to replace it and hopefully it will fix it.

City Camera project is waiting on the internet which we will be discussing next.

8. Discussion and Consideration of switching internet providers for the City of Danbury. (Sue Powell)

The city wide cameras will require better internet service.

No contract with ATT

Currently pay \$89.00 for city hall and \$59.00 for the hot spot.

Motion by Rocky Hicks and seconded by Gordon Hatthorn to switch the City of Danbury internet service provider to Comcast. Choosing the BI Performance and BI Essentials Plans for the 36 months.

PASSES

9. Utility Update (Rodney Garrett)

Rodney was not in attendance because the electrical pole at Lift Station 8 went down and he was working to replace it. Lift station currently running on a portable generator.

10. Discussion and Consideration of Waste Connections Inc. annual rate adjustment of 3.50 %. (Sue Powell)

Motion by Heather Martin and seconded by Rocky Hicks to approve Waste Connections Inc. annual rate adjustment of 3.50 %.

PASSES

11. Discussion and Consideration of Ordinance 24-09 Replacing Ordinance 23- 14 Utility Ordinance: Garbage Rate Update. (Sue Powell)

Motion by Rocky Hicks and seconded by Heather Martin to approve Ordinance 24-09 Replacing Ordinance 23- 14 Utility Ordinance: Garbage Rate Update.

PASSES

12. Discussion and Consideration of Resolution 24-004 of the City of Danbury declaring the Utility Department Rosco Street Sweeper surplus property and approving its disposition. (Rodney Garrett)

TABLED

13. Discussion and Consideration of Resolution 24-005 of the City of Danbury declaring the Utility Department Onan Generator surplus property and approving its disposition. (Rodney Garrett)

Motion by Heather Martin and seconded by Gordon Hatthorn to approve Resolution 24-005 of the City of Danbury declaring the Utility Department Onan Generator surplus property and approving its disposition on the Gov Deals website.

PASSES

14. Discussion and Consideration of Ordinance 24-08 Replacing 23-23 Employee Handbook: Accrual and Use of Compensatory Time Hours. (Erin Nolan)

Would like to update the compensatory time from calendar year to fiscal year. This will help with the Finance Officer and her record keeping of time.

Motion by Heather Martin and seconded by Gordon Hatthorn to approve Ordinance 24-08 Replacing 23-23 Employee Handbook: Accrual and Use of Compensatory Time Hours.

PASSES

Executive Session: Entered into executive session at 6:58 p.m.

15. Executive Session under Texas Government Code Section 551.074 to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee: Utility Worker

General Session: Returned to general session at 7:19 p.m.

16. Discussion and Consideration of appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee: Utility Worker

Motion by Rocky Hicks and seconded by Gordon Hatthorn to increase Luke Lukasheay hourly rate by \$0.50.

PASSES

Adjourn/Dismiss: Mayor Suzanne Powell adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m.



Mayor Suzanne Powell





Heather Marsh

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ATTEST by: 
Erin Nolan, City Secretary