



**CITY OF HEDWIG VILLAGE, TEXAS
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
BUDGET WORKSHOP
AUGUST 3, 2021
5:30 P.M. - 955 PINEY POINT ROAD**

MINUTES

In accordance with Governor Abbott's Executive Order or Proclamation dated March 13, 2020 and continued monthly by Executive Orders or Proclamations to the most recent Proclamation dated July 30, 2021 relating to the COVID-19 pandemic and the need to minimize face-to-face contact, the City of Hedwig Village held the August 3, 2021 City Council Meeting in person with several participants joining the meeting via Zoom, as noted below.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jinks called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

Present: Mayor Tom Jinks

Councilmember Scott Davis
Councilmember Harry J. Folloder
Councilmember Shirley Rouse
Councilmember Matt Woodruff

Kelly Johnson, City Admin./Secr.-
Treas.
David Gott, Police Chief
Lisa Modisette, Asst. City Secretary

Absent: Councilmember Dane Johnson

2. RECOGNITION OF AMAAN SIDDIQUI, 2021 VALEDICTORIAN OF MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

Mayor Jinks read a proclamation into the record honoring Amaan Siddiqui for graduating as the 2021 Memorial High School Valedictorian.

3. DISCUSSION REGARDING THE PROPOSED 2022 BUDGET.

Kelly Johnson, City Administrator/City Secretary-Treasurer, reviewed the 2022 Proposed Budget. The budget under discussion includes changes suggested by the Mayor and Councilmembers at the budget workshop held on July 22, 2021. The Harris County Appraisal District will provide the certified tax rolls at the end of August 2021. The budget under discussion is based on estimated property valuations. The City can use the Tax Note 2020 funds on specific expenses only, such as streets and drainage improvements, park improvements, city capital expenses, police department vehicles, and improvements to I-10. The funds cannot be used for the operating expenses of the City. City Council must vote on a proposed tax rate at the meeting this evening. A public hearing for the budget and the tax rate has been scheduled for September 9, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. prior to the City Council Meeting. The final tax rate voted on by Council at the September 2021 City Council Meeting can not be higher than the proposed tax rate voted on at this meeting this evening. Adoption of the budget and tax rate will occur at the City Council Meeting on September 9, 2021.

Mayor and Councilmembers discussed using the Tax Notes 2020 funds for the allowable reimbursements of previous City expenses. The Streets and Drainage Committee work was discussed. Several budget line items were discussed, such as employee benefits.

Motion was made by Councilmember Rouse to propose a tax rate of \$0.341142, which includes \$0.281795 for Maintenance and Operation (M&O) and \$0.059347 for debt service (I&S). Motion failed for a lack of a second. Councilmember Rouse withdrew her motion with no second.

Motion was made by Councilmember Rouse to propose a tax rate of \$0.349205, which includes \$0.289858 for M&O and \$0.059347 for I&S. Motion failed for a lack of a second. Councilmember Rouse withdrew her motion with no second.

Motion was made by Councilmember Folloder to propose a tax rate of \$0.368919, which includes \$0.31 for M&O and \$0.058919 for I&S.

Councilmember Folloder amended his motion and seconded by Councilmember Woodruff to propose a tax rate of \$0.369347, which includes \$0.31 for M&O and \$0.059347 for I&S.

Councilmember Folloder amended his amended motion and seconded by Councilmember Woodruff to propose a tax rate of \$0.364347, which includes \$0.305 for M&O and \$0.059347 for I&S. Motion carried 3-1. Councilmember Rouse voted against the motion.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilmember Rouse suggested holding another budget workshop prior to the public hearing scheduled on September 9, 2021.

Councilmember Woodruff suggested Kelly Johnson email any updated information to the Mayor and Councilmembers. He stated if the information answers any questions another meeting will not be necessary.

Motion was made by Councilmember Folloder and seconded by Councilmember Rouse to recess the meeting at 7:05 p.m. Motion carried 4-0.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The open meeting re-convened after the recess at 7:07 p.m.

4. CLOSED SESSION

A. As authorized by Section 551.074, Personnel Matters, to discuss proposed wage increases for all of city hall and police department staff.

City Council adjourned into closed session at 7:08 p.m.

City Council re-convened into Open Session at 8:00 p.m.

5. ACTION – CLOSED SESSION

There was no action taken.

6. SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING – The City Council will discuss and consider possible action of the following:

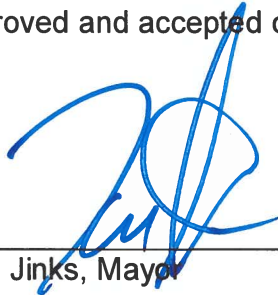
A public hearing has been scheduled for September 9, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. prior to the September City Council Meeting.

7. ADJOURN

Motion was made by Councilmember Rouse and seconded by Councilmember Woodruff to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m. Motion carried 4-0.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Approved and accepted on September 9, 2021.



Tom Jinks, Mayor

ATTEST:



Lisa Modisette, Asst. City Secretary