

City Council
June 7, 2021

A briefing session of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Waxahachie, Texas was held in the City Council Conference Room at City Hall, 401 S. Rogers, Waxahachie, Texas, on Monday, June 7, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

Council Members Present: David Hill, Mayor, Council Member Place 1
Mary Lou Shipley, Mayor Pro Tem
Chuck Beatty, Council Member
Melissa Olson, Council Member Place 3
Doug Barnes, Council Member Place 2

Others Present: Michael Scott, City Manager
Albert Lawrence, Assistant City Manager
Tommy Ludwig, Assistant City Manager
Robert Brown, City Attorney
Amber Villarreal, City Secretary

1. Call to Order

Mayor David Hill called the meeting to order.

2. Conduct a briefing to discuss items for the 7:00 p.m. regular meeting

City Manager Michael Scott reviewed the following agenda items:

- 5d. Waxahachie Community Development Corporation recommended approval of \$30,000.00 expenditure for the renovation of City Hall landscaping and staff is requesting approval of project recommendation and associated budget amendment.
- 5e. Staff recommends approval of the new 4th of July Parade route for 2021 due to ongoing construction on Main Street and the Viaduct project.
- Item 6. Consider appointment of Damon Fehler as Municipal Judge and Cody Beauchamp as Associate Municipal Judge.

Planning Director Shon Brooks reviewed the following:

- Items 7. and 8. ZDC-60-2021, the applicant requested to continue the case to the July 19, 2021 City Council meeting.
- Items 9. and 10. ZDC-63-2021, staff recommended approval per staff comments.
- Items 11. and 12. ZDC-65-2021, staff recommended approval per staff comments.
- Items 13. and 14. ZDC-59-2021, the Planning & Zoning Commission recommended denial to the applicant's request to not put in a sidewalk as required by the Subdivision Ordinance. After the Planning and Zoning Commission, the applicant agreed to put in a four-foot sidewalk; however, staff noted a five-foot minimum sidewalk is required for compliance with ADA standards.
- Items 15. and 16. ZDC-58-2021, the applicant requested to continue the case to the July 6, 2021 City Council meeting.

Mr. Brooks reviewed items 17. – 23. explaining the Saddlebrook Public Improvement District is in it's final third phase and the associated ordinance and agreements require approval to move forward. He noted the assessment fee for Phase Three will be .22 cents/per \$100 valuation. Mr. Scott explained the Phase Three improvements total \$7,455,027.00 and \$1,453,485.00 are eligible for reimbursement under the Public Improvement District.

Finance Director Chad Tustison reviewed item 24 noting there are 25 projects covered under the 2021 bond including: water and sewer projects, street projects, Fire Station No. 4, and City Hall Annex. Mr. Scott noted the debt service will stay the same and the scope of the projects are the same as proposed during the spring Council retreat.

Police Chief Wade Goolsby reviewed the curfew ordinance and requested approval to continue for an additional three years.

Assistant City Manager Tommy Ludwig reviewed items 27. and 28. authorizing the City Manager to execute all agreements necessary for the implementation of an Advanced Metering Infrastructure System (AMI), and for the replacement of associated water meters, in the amount of \$9,441,000.00. He explained the funding includes: meter replacements, lid replacements, box leveling, box replacement, owner directed allowance, and Incode integration and third-party engineering review.

Council Member Melissa Olson noted she has received positive feedback from citizens regarding the AMI project.

Mayor Hill explained the project will include a mobile app with detailed information on water usage and helps with leak detection. Mayor Hill inquired about the savings and Mr. Ludwig explained there is potentially a net of \$13.5 million over 20 years.

Mr. Scott noted the city will do a robust public information campaign to keep the citizens informed.

3. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Amber Villarreal
City Secretary