

UTILITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

City of Dripping Springs

Council Chambers, 511 Mercer St, Dripping Springs, TX Wednesday, August 10, 2022 at 4:00 PM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum of the Commission present, Chair Busbey called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Commission Members present were:

Charlie Busbey, Interim Chair Jeff Foreman Matthew Ordway

Commission Members absent were:

Lara Dudek Roger Kew

Staff, Consultants & Elected/Appointed Officials present were:

Public Works Director Aaron Reed Building Official Sarah Cole

PRESENTATION OF CITIZENS

A member of the public who desires to address the Commission regarding any item on an agenda for an open meeting may do so at presentation of citizens before an item or at a public hearing for an item during the Commission's consideration of that item. Citizens wishing to discuss matters not contained within the current agenda may do so, but only during the time allotted for presentation of citizens. Speakers are allowed two (2) minutes to speak during presentation of citizens or during each public hearing. Speakers may not cede or pool time. Members of the public requiring the assistance of a translator will be given twice the amount of time as a member of the public who does not require the assistance of a translator to address the Commission. It is the request of the Commission that members of the public wishing to speak on item(s) on the agenda with a noticed Public Hearing hold their comments until the item(s) are presented for consideration. Speakers are encouraged to sign in. Anyone may request a copy of the City's policy on presentation of citizens from the city secretary. By law no action may be taken during Presentations of Citizens.

Charlie Flatten with Hays Trinity Groundwater District informed the Commission that wells are currently lower than they have ever been since 2011.

MINUTES

1. Discuss and consider approval of the June 8, 2022, Utility Commission regular meeting minutes.

A motion was made by Commissioner Foreman to approve the June 8, 2022, Utility Commission regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Ordway seconded the motion which carried unanimously 3 to 0.

BUSINESS

2. Update and discussion regarding Water and Wastewater facility activities.

Aaron Reed provided a two month update which is on file.

3. Discussion regarding area water provider Drought Contingency Plans and Issuance of Pool Permits.

Sarah Cole provided an update on swimming pool building permits and requirements according to the drought contingency plans in place.

Chair Busbey directed staff to provide further clarification on differences between water providers and requirements.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Utility Commission for the City of Dripping Springs has the right to meet in executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any matter as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with City Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices), and 551.086 (Economic Development). The Utility Commission for the City of Dripping Springs may act on any item listed in Executive Session in Open Session or move any item from Executive Session to Open Session for action.

The Commission did not meet in Executive Session.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Utility Commission Meetings

September 14, 2022, at 4:00 p.m. October 12, 2022, at 4:00 p.m. November 9, 2022, at 4:00 p.m.

City Council Meetings

August 16, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. August 23, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. August 30, 2022, at 5:30 p.m.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Chair Busbey to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Foreman seconded the motion which carried unanimously 3 to 0.

This regular meeting adjourned at 4:44 p.m.