



UTILITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

City of Dripping Springs

Council Chambers, 511 Mercer St, Dripping Springs, TX

Wednesday, December 08, 2021 at 4:00 PM

Agenda

CALL TO ORDER

Commission Members

Chuck Miller, Chair
Roger Kew, Vice Chair
Laura Dudek
Jeff Foreman
Matthew Ordway

Staff, Consultants & Appointed/Elected Officials

Public Works Director Aaron Reed
Utilities Superintendent Jesse Kennis
Building Official / Utilities Coordinator 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.

MINUTES

- 1. Discuss and consider approval of the November 10, 2021, Utility Commission regular meeting minutes.**

BUSINESS

- 2. Update and discussion regarding Water and Wastewater facility activities.**
- 3. City Council Activities Report**
Chair Chuck Miller

4. **Discussion of the Commission's role in promoting accurate information with regard to the purpose and benefit of the new proposed water treatment plant.** *Commissioner Roger Kew*

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.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Utility Commission Meetings

January 12, 2022, at 4:00 p.m.

February 9, 2022, at 4:00 p.m.

March 9, 2022, at 4:00 p.m.

City Council Meetings

December 14, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. (Waiver/Exception)

December 21, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. (Regular)

December 28, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. (Waiver/Exception)

January 4, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. (Regular/BOA)

ADJOURN

TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT PUBLIC NOTIFICATION & POSTING OF MEETING

All agenda items listed above are eligible for discussion and action unless otherwise specifically noted. This notice of meeting is posted in accordance with Chapter 551, Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes. Annotated. In addition, the Commission may consider a vote to excuse the absence of any Commissioner for absence from this meeting.

*I certify that this notice of meeting was posted at the City of Dripping Springs City Hall and website, www.cityofdrippingsprings.com, on **December 3, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.***

City Secretary

This facility is wheelchair accessible. Accessible parking spaces are available. Requests for auxiliary aids and services must be made 48 hours prior to this meeting by calling (512) 858-4725.



UTILITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

City of Dripping Springs

Council Chambers, 511 Mercer St, Dripping Springs, TX
 Wednesday, November 10, 2021 at 4:00 PM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum of the Commission present, Chair Miller called the meeting to order at 4:08 p.m.

Commission Members present were:

Chuck Miller, Chair
 Roger Kew, Vice Chair
 Laura Dudek
 Jeff Foreman
 Matthew Ordway

Staff, Consultants & Appointed/Elected Officials present were:

Public Works Director Aaron Reed
 Utilities Superintendent Jesse Kennis
 Utilities Coordinator 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.

No one spoke during Presentation of Citizens.

MINUTES

- 1. Discuss and consider approval of October 13, 2021, Utility Commission regular meeting minutes.**

A motion was made by Vice Chair Kew to approve the October 13, 2021, Utility Commission regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Foreman seconded the motion which carried unanimously 5 to 0.

BUSINESS

2. Introduction of new Commissioner Laura Dudek.

Chair Miller introduced new Commissioner Laura Dudek.

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

Aaron Reed and Jess Kennis presented the update on wastewater operations.

4. City Council Activities Report

Chair Chuck Miller

Chair Miller presented the City Council Activities Report.

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.

5. Consultation with City Attorney related to planning matters, wastewater capacity, comprehensive plan, and processes related to approvals. *Consultation with City Attorney, 551.071*

The Commission did not meet in Executive Session.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Founders Day Commission Meetings

December 8, 2021, at 4:00 p.m.

January 12, 2022, at 4:00 p.m.

City Council & Board of Adjustment Meetings

November 16, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.

December 7, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.

December 21, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Commissioner Foreman to adjourn the meeting. Vice Chair Kew seconded the motion which carried unanimously 5 to 0.

This regular meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.