

CITY OF ABERNATHY

The City Council for the City of Abernathy met in regular session on Monday, March 14th, 2022, at 7:00 P.M. in the City Hall building at 811 Ave D. Members present were Mayor Ron Johnson, Gary Stone, Bilinda Prater, Jessica Williams, and Jared Shannon. Also present were City Staff including Dwain Read, Krista Adames, and Will DeWitt. Members of the public were Robert Prater, Oscar Martinez, Erika Marquez with Oller Engineering, and Michael Blue Layer.

MINUTES

1. Call to Order
Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order.
2. Roll Call of Council Members
Members present were Mayor Johnson, Jessica Williams, Bilinda Prater, Gary Stone, and Jared Shannon.
3. Welcome Guest
Mayor Johnson welcomed the guest.
4. Invocation
Councilwoman Prater gave the invocation.
5. Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag
Mayor Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance.
6. Texas Pledge – “Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible.”
Mayor Johnson led the Texas Pledge
7. Public Comment (non-action)
No public comments were offered.
8. Approval Minutes of the Previous Meeting
Councilman Shannon made a motion to approve the February 14, 2022, and February 18, 2022 minutes. Councilman Stone seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 4/0.
9. Approval of Monthly Financial Reports
Councilwoman Prater made a motion to approve the monthly financial reports. Councilman Shannon seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 4/0.
10. Approval of Fleet Maintenance Report
Councilwoman Williams made a motion to approve the fleet maintenance report. Councilman Shannon seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 4/0.
11. Old Business
No old business.
12. Discussion/Action Items
 - a. Resolution 031422A – Opening Airport Checking Account
Tabled to the next meeting.
 - b. Resolution 031422B – Opening a Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Account (CLFRF)
Councilman Shannon made a motion to approve Resolution 031422B. Councilwoman Prater seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 4/0.
 - c. Consider List of Properties that have taxes due past 5 years from Texas Communities Group/PerdueBrandonFielderCollins&Mott LLP.
Councilman Shannon made a motion to approve the list of properties from PerdueBrandonFielderCollins&Mott LLP to pursue legal action to reclaim tax

money. Councilwoman Prater seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 4/0.

- d. Consider How the Riley 160 Acres Trac will be Funded
Councilman Shannon made a motion to cash out the Water Fund CD for \$350,000.00 and pay the Riley 160 Acres Trac with the money from the CD and the remaining from the CLFRF fund. Councilwoman Williams seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 4/0.
Councilwoman Prater made a motion to allow Oller Engineering to proceed with the Irrigation well exception request with TCEQ for the two wells on the new land that was just purchased. Councilman Shannon seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 4/0.
- e. Consider Contract with Blue Layer
Councilwoman Williams made a motion to approve the contract with Blue Layer. Councilwoman Prater seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 4/0.
- f. Johanna Harrell – Code Enforcement Issues
Johanna Harrell was not present to discuss her issues with code enforcement. No action taken.

13. New Business

No new business.

14. Executive Session – Convene into executive session in accordance with Texas Government Code §551.072 Deliberations Regarding Real Property and Texas Government Code §551.074 Personnel Matters.

City Council entered into executive session at 7:52 P.M.

15. Reconvene Open Session – Take action on items discussed in executive session.

City Council reconvened open session at 8:29 P.M. No action taken.

16. Informational Items

- a. Police Chief Read gave his report to council
- g. Acting City Managers Read gave his report to council
- a. Director of Public Works Oscar Martinez gave his report to council
- b. Council gave their reports.
- c. Mayor Johnson gave his report.

17. Adjournment

Councilman Stone made a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Williams seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 4/0.