

CITY OF ABERNATHY

The City Council for the City of Abernathy met in Regular Session on Monday, April 11th, 2022, at 7:00 P.M. in the City Hall building at 811 Ave D. Members present were Mayor Ron Johnson, Bilinda Prater, Matt Riley, and Jared Shannon. Also present were City Staff including Delano Smith, Krista Adames, Paul Gonzalez, Will DeWitt, and Dwain Read. Members of the Public included Erica Marquez, Rich Oller, and Robert Prater

MINUTES

1. Call to Order
Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order.
2. Roll Call of Council Members
Members present were Mayor Ron Johnson, Bilinda Prater, Jared Shannon, Matt Riley. Councilmembers absent were Councilwoman Williams and Councilman Stone.
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
Councilwoman Prater made a motion to approve the March 8, 2022, and March 14, 2022, minutes. Councilman Shannon seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 3/0.
9. Approval of Monthly Financial Reports
Councilman Shannon made a motion to approve the monthly financial reports. Councilman Riley seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 3/0.
10. Approval of Fleet Maintenance Report
Councilman Shannon made a motion to approve the fleet maintenance report. Councilman Riley seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 3/0.
11. Old Business
Councilwoman Prater asked that the street department take care of a street and concrete work that had been discussed before in previous meetings.
12. Discussion/Action Items
 - a. Discussion and Action about City of Abernathy Water Plan
Rich Oller and City Council discussed the City of Abernathy Water Plan. No action taken.

- b. Consider Resolution 04112022A Authorizing Signatures for Bank Checking Accounts and Certificates of Deposits
Councilwoman Prater made a motion to approve Resolution 04112022A. Councilman Riley seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 3/0.
 - c. Discussion and Action about City of Abernathy and Texas Tech Internship Agreement
Councilman Riley made a motion to approve the agreement between The City of Abernathy and Texas Tech Internship with the City Managers discretion. Councilwoman Prater seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 3/0.
 - d. Discussion about American Postal Infrastructure Proposal to Purchase Post Office
Councilman Riley made a motion to decline the offer from American Postal Infrastructure to purchase the post office. Councilman Shannon seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 3/0.
 - e. Discussion about Upgrading the Police Department's Vehicle Fleet
 - i. Pending Atmos Donation
 - ii. Other Possible Donations
 Councilwoman Prater made a motion to approve the purchase of the 2020 dodge pickup for \$32,000.00 from Hartley County Sherriff Office. Councilman Shannon seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 3/0 with Councilwoman Prater, Councilman Riley, and Councilman Shannon voting for.
 - f. Discussion and Action about Lubbock County ARPA Funding Request
Councilman Riley made a motion authorizing the City Manager to submit an application. Councilman Shannon seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 3/0.
 - g. Discussion about Separating the City of Abernathy Airport Fund from the General Fund
City Council discussed separating the airport fund from the general fund and decided to table until Chief Read meets with TX Dot and legal counsel.
13. New Business
No new business
14. Executive Session – Convene into executive session in accordance with Texas Government Code §551.074 Personnel Matters and Texas Government Code §551.072 Deliberations Regarding Real Property
City Council entered into executive session at 9:28 P.M.
15. Reconvene Open Session – Take action on items discussed in executive session.
City Council reconvened open session at 10:18 P.M. no action taken.
16. Informational Items
- a. Police Chief Read gave his report to council.
 - b. Public Works Director Paul Gonzalez gave his report to council.
 - c. City Manager Delano Smith gave his report to council.
 - d. Council gave their reports.

e. Mayor Johnson gave his report.

17. Adjournment

Councilman Riley made a motion to adjourn at 10:45 P.M. Councilman Shannon seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 3/0.