

CITY OF ABERNATHY

The City Council for the City of Abernathy met in Regular Session on Tuesday, August 9, 2022, at 6:30 P.M. in the City Hall building at 811 Ave D. Members present were Mayor Ron Johnson, Bilinda Prater, Matt Riley, Eva Cortez, Gary Stone and Jared Shannon. Also present were City Staff including Delano Smith, Krista Adames, Paul Gonzalez, Ricky Patterson, and Dwain Read. Members of the Public included Jere Hart and Steven Hendricks.

MINUTES

1. Call to Order
Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order.
2. Roll Call of Council Members
Members present were Ron Johnson, Bilinda Prater, Eva Cortez, Matt Riley, Jared Shannon, and Gary Stone.
3. Welcome Guest
 - a. Brief Presentation to Doug Evans and James Williams
City Manager Delano Smith presented Doug Evans with a Certificate for making great contributions to the City of Abernathy for organizing the Fourth of July Parade.
4. Invocation
Councilwoman Prater gave the invocation.
5. Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag
Mayor Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.
6. Texas Pledge – “Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible.”
Councilman Shannon led the Texas Pledge.
7. Conduct Public Hearing for:
 - a. Annexation AX-01-22, Lot 8, Legacy Acres Addition
No one spoke for or against Annexation AX-01-22, Lot 8, Legacy Acres Addition.
8. Public Comment (non-action)
No public comments were offered.
9. Approval Minutes of the Previous Meetings
Councilwoman Prater made a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meetings July 12, 2022, and July 19, 2022. Councilwoman Cortez seconded the motion, The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.
10. 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 5/0.
11. Old Business
No old business.
12. Discussion/Action Items
 - a. Review and Consider Accepting Petition for AX 02-22 – Lot 11-13, Legacy Acres - *David Miller*

City Council discussed accepting the Petition for AX 02-22- Lot 11-13, Legacy Acres.

Tabled to the September 2022 meeting.

- b. Annexation Service Plan Discussion – Fire Hydrant Inquiry - Lot 11-13, Legacy Acres - *David Miller*

City Council discussed the service plan for AX 02-22 Lot 11-13 Legacy Acres with Jere Hart.

Tabled to the September 2022 meeting.

- c. Review and Consider Approval of Fence Setback Exception - *Steven Hendricks*

Councilman Shannon made a motion to approve an exception at 509 9th St. to install a fence using the measurements of the old fence that was removed. Councilwoman Prater seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.

- d. Discussion and Approval of Interlocal Agreement for Emergency Medical Services with UMC EMS – Delano Smith

Tabled to the September 2022 meeting.

- e. Discussion of Possible Fees for Water Overuse

City Council discussed water rates and water overuse.

- f. Review and Approval of Amended Ordinance regarding Water Rates – *Delano Smith, City Manager*

City Council asked City Manager Delano Smith to amend the current water rate ordinance with the water rates that were discussed and to bring the amended ordinance back to the next council meeting for approval.

- g. Discussion and approval Vehicle Purchase for Public Works Department – *Ricky Patterson*

Councilwoman Prater made a motion to approve the purchase of a 2022 GMC Sierra 2500 in the amount of \$52,532.17 for the Public Works Department. Councilwoman Cortez seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.

- h. Discussion and Adoption of the FY22-23 City Budget – *Delano Smith, City Manager*

City Manager Delano Smith presented city council with the Proposed FY22-23 City Budget and Budget Schedule.

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

Councilman Riley made a motion to enter into executive session at 8:58 P.M.

Councilman Stone seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.

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

City Council reconvened open session at 9:36 P.M.

Councilman Riley made a motion to allow City Manager Delano Smith to move forward with Calian Security and purchase a security camera system using the

3-year payment plan. Councilman Stone seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.

Councilwoman Prater made a motion to give City Manager Delano Smith a \$5,000 increase on his annual salary. Councilman Shannon seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.

16. Informational Items

- a. Police Chief Read gave his report to council.
- b. Public Works Directors Paul Gonzales & Ricky Patterson gave their 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 9:45 P.M. Councilman Stone seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.

Mayor Ron Johnson

ATTEST

Krista Adames, City Secretary