



The City Council for the City of Abernathy met in regular session on Monday, May 13, 2024, at 6:30 P.M. in the City Hall building at 811 Ave D. Members present were Mayor Ron Johnson, Eva Cortez, Gary Stephenson, Tammy Mahan, Jared Shannon, Bilinda Prater, and Luis Villarreal. Also present were City Staff including Don Provost, Krista Adames, Ricky Patteson, Cindy Tapia, Matt Brightbill, and Robert Prater with the AVFD. Members of the Public are on the attached sign in sheet.

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, Tammy Mahan, Eva Cortez, Jared Shannon, and Gary Stephenson.
3. Welcome Guests
Mayor Johnson welcomed the guest.
4. Invocation
Councilwoman Prater gave the invocation.
5. Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag
Councilwoman Prater 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. Election
 - a. Official Canvass of Returns, May 4th Election
Councilman Shannon made a motion to approve the Official Canvass of Returns for the May 4, 2024, Election. Councilman Stephenson seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.
 - b. Installation of Elected Officials - Administer Oaths of Office
City Secretary Krista Adames administered the Oath of Office to Councilwoman Bilinda Prater, Councilwoman Eva Cortez, and Councilman Luis Villarreal.
 - c. Selection of Mayor Pro-Tem
Councilman Stephenson made a motion to appoint Bilinda Prater as Mayor Pro-Tem. Councilwoman Cortez seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0.
8. Public Comment (non-action)
Robert Prater with AVFD informed the council that lightning stuck the city's tower Saturday and damaged the amplifier. The city is now up and running on borrowed equipment. He will update council once he finds out more on cost to repair the equipment.
9. Review/Approval Minutes of the Previous City Council Meeting
Councilwoman Mahan made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Councilwoman Cortez seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.
10. Approval of Monthly Financial Reports
Councilman Stephenson made a motion to approve the monthly financial reports. Councilwoman Prater seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.

11. Discussion/Action Items

- a. Executive Session – In accordance with Texas Government Code, Section, Sec. 551.072.
DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY
City Council entered into executive session at 7:24 P.M.
- b. Reconvene Open Session - in accordance with Texas Government Code, consider any action necessary regarding matters discussed in Executive Session.
City Council reconvened open session at 8:05 P.M.
No action taken.
- c. Consider Texas Department of Transportation Municipal Maintenance Agreement
Councilwoman Prater made a motion to accept the Municipal Maintenance Agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation. Councilwoman Mahan seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.
- d. Consider Waste Disposal Contract with South Plains Waste Services, Inc.
No action taken.
- e. Mayor Johnson to designate Kelly Vandygriff as the emergency coordinator for the City of Abernathy.
Mayor Johnson appointed Kelly Vandygriff as the emergency coordinator for the City of Abernathy.
- f. Presenting for Council Review Oller Engineering, Inc. Invoices
No action taken

12. Adjournment

Councilwoman Prater made a motion to adjourn at 8:07 P.M. Councilman Stephenson seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.

Mayor Ron Johnson

ATTEST

Krista Adames, City Secretary