



The City Council for the City of Abernathy met in special session on Wednesday, November 20th, 2024, at 5:30 P.M. in the City Hall building at 811 Ave D. Members present were Mayor Ron Johnson, Eva Cortez, Gary Stephenson, Tammy Mahan, Bilinda Prater, and Luis Villarreal. Also present were City Staff including Krista Adames, Cindy Tapia, Nadia Micheletti, Lisa Renfro, Dwain Read, Ricky Patterson, Luis Hernandez Jessica Wilbanks, and Jaden Zavala. 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, Luis Villarreal, and Gary Stephenson.
3. Welcome Guest
Mayor Johnson welcomed the guest.
4. Invocation
Councilwoman Prater gave the invocation.
5. Public Comment (non-action)
No public comments were offered.
6. Discussion/Action Items
 - a. Discuss and consider Ordinance 642 ratifying a water system improvement fee.
Councilwoman Prater made a motion to approve Ordinance 642. Councilwoman Mahan seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.
 - b. Discuss and consider staffing for the following city functions:
 1. Code enforcement
Councilman Stephenson made a motion to leave the code enforcement department as is. Councilwoman Mahan seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.
 2. Library
Several concerned citizens spoke in favor of the library hours staying the same.
Councilwoman Prater made a motion to leave the Library Department as is. Councilman Stephenson seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.
 3. Custodial
Councilman Stephenson made a motion to approve Jessica Wilbanks as the custodian for the City of Abernathy and to clean after Library hours. Councilwoman Prater seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.
 - c. Convene in executive session under Texas Government Code 551.074 to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee, or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee:
 1. Director of Code Enforcement & Animal Control
 2. Animal Control Officer and Code Enforcement Officer in TrainingCity Council did not convene into executive session.
 - d. Reconvene in open session and, if necessary, discuss and consider the matters discussed in executive session.
 - e. Discuss and consider the appointment of an interim city manager.
Councilwoman Mahan made a motion to appoint LeAnn Gallman as Interim City Manager. Councilman Villarreal seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.
 - f. Discuss and consider an agreement for city manager recruitment services.
Council did not discuss an agreement for city manager recruitment services.

- g. Consider Resolution 112024 – Authorizing bank account signatories
Councilman Prater made a motion to approve resolution 112024. Councilwoman Cortez seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.
 - h. Councilman Stephenson made a motion to hire CanTex roofing to repair the roof at the Senior Citizens building in the amount of \$2,850.00. Councilwoman Cortez seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.
7. Adjournment
Councilwoman Prater made a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Cortez seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.

Mayor Ron Johnson

ATTEST

Krista Adames, City Secretary