



**MINUTES-REGULAR  
COUNCIL MEETING**

**Tuesday, August 11, 2015 – 7:00 pm**  
Police and Courts Building, 100 West Main Street  
Royse City, Texas

**A. CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:04 PM BY MAYOR NICHOL**

- Members Present: Mayor, Janet Nichol  
Council Member Place 1, Charles Houk  
Council Member Place 2, Clay Ellis –Mayor Pro Tem  
Council Member Place 3, Bruce Bradley  
Council Member Place 4, Matt Wheatley  
Council Member Place 5, James Branch  
Council Member, Place 6, Tom Crowley
- Staff Present: City Manager, Carl Alsabrook  
City Secretary, Brenda Craft  
City Attorney, Jason Day  
Ex. Director of Development & Community Services, Janet McPherson  
Director of Finance, Shannon Raymond  
Police Chief, Jeff Stapleton  
Fire Chief, Richard Bell  
Director of Public Works, Dario Lopez  
Executive Director of Community Development Corp, Larry Lott  
Main St. Manager, Paula Morris

**B. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

By: Council Member Bruce Bradley

**C. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION – NONE**

**D. CONSENT AGENDA**

1. City Council Minutes: Sp. Called Council July 9, 2015 Updating Thoroughfare Plan; Regular CC July 14, 2015; Regular CC July 28, 2015.

Motion was made by Council Member Wheatley, second by Council Member Crowley to accept City Council Minutes: Sp. Called Council July 9, 2015 Updating Thoroughfare Plan; Regular CC July 14, 2015; Regular CC July 28, 2015. **Motion carried: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays and, 0 Abstentions.**

**E. BUSINESS**

1. Consider and act concerning approving a “proposed” tax rate to be voted on September 15, 2015 at 7:00 pm at Police and Courts Building, 100 W. Main St., and any matters related thereto.

Motion was made by Council Member Houk, second by Council Member Bradley to accept a “proposed” tax rate of \$0.6771 per \$100 value to be voted on September 15, 2015 at 7:00 pm at Police and Courts Building, 100 W. Main St. **Motion carried: 7 Ayes (Nichol, Houk, Ellis, Bradley, Wheatley, Branch and Crowley), 0 Nays and, 0 Abstentions.**

2. Consider and act concerning setting the dates and times for the two Tax Rate Public Hearings on September 1, 2015 and September 8, 2015, both at 7:00 pm at the Police and Courts Building, 100 W. Main St., and any matters related thereto.

Set tax rate public hearings.

Motion was made by Council Member Wheatley, second by Council Member Crowley to accept setting the dates and times for the two Tax Rate Public Hearings on September 1, 2015 and September 8, 2015, both at 7:00 pm at the Police and Courts Building, 100 W. Main St. **Motion carried: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays and, 0 Abstentions.**

3. Consider and act concerning setting the date and time for 2015-2016 Budget Public Hearing on September 15, 2015 at 7:00 pm at the Police and Courts Building, 100 W. Main St., and any matters related thereto.

Set official budget public hearing.

Motion was made by Council Member Crowley, second by Council Member Wheatley to accept setting the date and time for 2015-2016 Budget Public Hearing on September 15, 2015 at 7:00 pm at the Police and Courts Building, 100 W. Main St. **Motion carried: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays and, 0 Abstentions.**

4. Consider and act concerning a Resolution moving the September 22, 2015 Regular City Council meeting to September 15, 2015, and any matters related thereto.

**Mr. Alsabrook:** Move September 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting to the 15<sup>th</sup> to pass budget and taxes.

Motion was made by Council Member Houk, second by Council Member Wheatley to accept a Resolution moving the September 22, 2015 regular City Council meeting to September 15, 2015. **Motion carried: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays and, 0 Abstentions.**

5. Discussion concerning “street humps” per Code of Ordinances Section (Article 3.11, Division 3), to be installed on Welch Drive after the Erby Campbell Overpass project construction is complete, and any matter related thereto.

Recommend following ordinance.

6. Discussions concerning City Manager Carl Alsabrook update: Development, post Comp Plan Community meeting, Comp Plan Council-Staff –various Boards meeting on August 17, 2015 at 6 pm Melody Room, post Hot Summer Nights at City Lake Park and KIDFISH, Back 2 School Bash on August 21<sup>st</sup>, Celebrate Freedom on Veterans Day November 7, 2015 – begins at 3pm, Deryl Dodd at 5 pm and Fireworks

at 6 pm, 2015-2016 Budget, Chief Stapleton will schedule briefings with the council regarding Environmental Services, and any matters related thereto.

Development: Construction continues since the weather has been dry.

Post Comp Plan Community meeting: Comp plan meeting was well attended.

Comp Plan Council-Staff-various Boards meeting CHANGED FROM August 17, 2015 TO AUGUST 31<sup>st</sup> at 6 pm Mellody Room:

Post Hot Summer Nights at City Lake Park and KIDFISH: These events have been very successful.

Back 2 School Bash on August 21<sup>st</sup>: 6:30-8:30

Celebrate Freedom on Veterans Day November 7, 2015 – begins at 3 pm, Deryl Dodd at 5pm and Fireworks at 6pm: Celebrate Freedom will be at same location.

2015-2016 Budget: Talked about budget and dates.

Chief Stapleton will schedule briefings with the council regarding Environmental Services: Set up a short class on process.

**F. RECESS REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AT 7:13 PM**

**G. EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:13 PM**

Recess into Closed Session in compliance with Section 551.001 et seq. Texas Government Code, to wit:

1. Section 551.074, Personnel-deliberate concerning annual evaluations of the City Manager, City Attorney, City Secretary, and Municipal Judge.

**H. CLOSE EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:20 PM**

**I. RECONVENE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AT 8:20 PM**

Reconvene into Regular Session and take any action necessary from the annual evaluations, as a result of the Closed Session, for the City Manager, City Attorney, City Secretary, and Municipal Judge, and any matter related thereto.

No action taken

**J. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS-none**

1. Consider and/or action to determine and direct City Staff in scheduling topics for discussion at future City Council Meetings, and any matters related thereto.

**K. ADJOURNED AT 8:22 PM**

Motion was made by Council Member Branch, second by Council Member Crowley to adjourn. **Motion carried: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 0 Abstentions.**

ATTEST:

  
Brenda Craft, City Secretary

  
Janet Nichol, Mayor