

Minutes of a Special Meeting  
Of the  
Troup City Council  
September 12, 2022

A Special Meeting of the Troup City Council was held Monday September 12, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at the Cameron J Jarvis Troup Municipal Library. Councilpersons were: Mayor Jeff Hale, Dianne Layne, Nelson Darden, Brandi Barton, Fielding Winchester, and Chip Richardson.

Mayor Jeff Hale called the meeting to order at 6:31 noting Council members Mayor Jeff Hale, Dianne Layne, Fielding Winchester, Brandi Barton, and Chip Richardson were present. Nelson Darden was absent.

Joe Carlyle led the pledge and invocation.

Mayor Jeff Hale – Item 4 Citizen Comments- Any Citizen wishing to address the Council on an agenda item may do so during the citizen comment section of the meeting or when the item is being considered by the Council. No comments made.

Mayor Jeff Hale – Item 5 Discuss and consider approving the minutes for the Regular Scheduled meeting of August 8, 2022. Item tabled

Mayor Jeff Hale – Item 6 Discuss and consider approving the monthly financial reports. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to approve the monthly financial reports for July 2022. Councilperson Fielding Winchester seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jeff Hale – Item 7 Comments, questions or input from City Manager's report. City Manager Gene Cottle presented Council his monthly report.

Mayor Jeff Hale – 6:43 p.m. Public Hearing for 2022-2023 City of Troup Hearing.

Mayor Jeff Hale – Closed Public Hearing at 6:44 p.m.

Mayor Jeff Hale – Item 10 Discuss and consider any possible action on the proposed City of Troup Budget for fiscal year 2022-2023 in accordance with the Local Government Code Chapter 102.007 (a). Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion the fiscal year 2022-2023 budget be submitted for consideration for adoption by the Troup City Council at the meeting to be held on Monday, September 19, 2022. Councilperson Fielding Winchester seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jeff Hale – Item 11 Discuss and consider Ordinance 2022-0912-01 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF TROUP, TEXAS ABANDONING A PORTION OF THE CITY'S RIGHT OF WAY LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF TROUP, TEXAS. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to approve Ordinance 2022-0912-01. Councilperson Brandi Barton seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jeff Hale – Item 12 Discuss and consider an agenda request Chema's Real Estate, LLC for the preliminary re-plat of the property located at 105 E. Magnolia legal description m-26-4B Block 11 Lot 7A, 8A, 18 of the Eason Gee Survey of the City of Troup. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to approve the preliminary re-plat for the property located at 105 E. Magnolia. Councilperson Fielding Winchester seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jeff Hale – Item 13 Discuss and consider approving the Troup Community Development Corporation Budget for 2022-2023. Item tabled.

Mayor Jeff Hale – Item 14 Discuss and consider approving the recommendation of the Selection Review Committee to award by resolution 2022-0912-01R to The C.T. Brannon Corporation for engineering services and project implementation related to the American Rescue Plan Act. Councilperson Fielding Winchester made the motion to approve Resolution Number 2022-0912-01R. Councilperson Brandi Barton seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jeff Hale – Item 15 Discuss and consider authorizing the closing of the 100 block of North Virginia Street, the 100 block of South Virginia Street, the 100 block of South Carolina Street, and the 100 block of West Calvert Street for Troup’s Sesquicentennial Celebration on October 8, 2022. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to close the 100 block of North Virginia Street, the 100 block of South Virginia Street, the 100 block of South Carolina Street, and the 100 block of West Calvert Street for Troup’s Sesquicentennial Celebration on October 8, 2022. Councilperson Brandi Barton seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jeff Hale – Item 16 Discuss and consider approving Resolution 2022-0912-02R adding the action item in Exhibit A to the Smith County Hazard Mitigation Action Plan. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to approve Resolution 2022-0912-02R. Councilperson Brandi Barton seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jeff Hale – Item 17 Discuss and consider approving a TCDC project to fund \$10,000 for the Troup Sesquicentennial. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to approve the TCDC project to fund \$10,000 for the Troup Sesquicentennial. Councilperson Fielding Winchester seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jeff Hale – Item 18 Discuss and consider the final re-plat for 202 S. Price legal description N-26.3A ABST A0010 E Gee Tract 02700. Councilperson Brandi Barton made the motion to approve the final re-plat for 202 S. Price. Councilperson Fielding Winchester seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jeff Hale – Item 19 Discuss and consider approval of a drilling permit for Northcutt-Burke A (AW) 1H and Northcutt-Burke B (AW) 2H and pipeline permit for Northcutt-Burke (AW) 1H and 2H Pipeline for Sabine Oil and Gas. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to approve drilling permits for Northcutt-Burke A (AW) 1H, formally McGill-Burke (AW) 2H and Northcutt-Burke B (AW) 2H, formally McGill-Burke (AW) 3H and the pipeline permit for Northcutt-Burke A(AW) 1H, Northcutt-Burke B (AW) 2H, formally McGill-Burke (AW) 2H and 3H and also to grant a variance to Article 4.08.017 (b) of the Oil and Gas ordinance work hours of operation to allow Sabine to conduct 24-hour operations during drilling, fracture testing, and flowback operations. Councilperson Fielding Winchester seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jeff Hale – Item 20 Discuss and consider authorizing the City Manager to sign a letter of engagement with Acker & Company for audit of City of Troup’s finances for the twelve-month budget period of October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022 as per Government Code Chapter 2254.003. Councilperson Fielding Winchester made the motion to approve the city manager to sign a letter of engagement with Acker and Company. Councilperson Brandi Barton seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jeff Hale – Item 21 Comments and input from Council, Mayor or City Manager concerning items of interest or items for a future agenda.

Mayor Jeff Hale – Item 22 Adjourn 7:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Buffie Deason/City Secretary