

Meeting Minutes City of Seagraves, TX

SPECIAL SESSION SEAGRAVES CITY COUNCIL September 24th, 2020

Meeting Held by Means of Video Conference (A recording is available on request) The following were assembled at the Seagraves Community Building 514 14th St. Seagraves, TX Alderman Debra Middleton, Alderman Shannon Wadzeck, Kendra Sellers, Alderman Cindy Durham Remote participants: Mayor Charles Evans, Alderman Ruben Valles, City Secretary Dan Grife

Guests present: None

- 1) CTO 07:10 PM
- 2) Roll Call: Debra Middleton, Charles Evans, Ruben Valles, Cindy Durham, Kendra Sellers, Shannon Wadzeck
- 3) Review the Budget that was Adopted by the Council on September 18th.: The Mayor announced the agenda item and state that the floor was open. Alderman Middleton began by stating that as a council we want to go over the pay scale, what everybody got. The Alderman said that a copy of the document that was being referenced would be given to the city secretary. The Alderman then began to read from a pre prepared document. See Attachment A. Alderman Durham advised the city secretary that some billing was going to be presented for veterinary expenses related to animals picked up in Seagraves. The Alderman specified the expenses were incurred in the current budget. The Alderman said the invoices would be submitted soon. The Mayor asked what effect the changes were going to have on the budget that was just adopted. Alderman Middleton said the budget was adopted as is and stands as such except for the salaries that the council had discussed and agrees on. Alderman Durham spoke regarding Reed' Ranch and Terry County Veterinary. The Alderman said that invoiced for services performed in 2020 were to be presented to the city and that those invoices were to be paid from the budget year 2019-2020 and instructed that the secretary should be sure to verify the amount to be paid.
- 4) Discussion regarding the COVID-19 pandemic: Alderman Middleton said that the council wished to discuss vacation and sick leave but that those subjects were not on the agenda. The Mayor said that vacation and sick pay as related to the pandemic was what he had understood the agenda item would include. Alderman Middleton read an excerpt from the internet regarding the required obligatory paid leave to be granted any employee who was affected by COVID-19 and questioned how sick leave was accrued according to the employee policy. The city secretary said he was not aware of any legal obligation that would apply to a municipality in Texas but that he would seek an opinion from the legal staff at TML. Alderman Wadzeck questioned the secretary regarding his decision to limit the number of people allowed in the city hall office during a recent visit by an incode consultant. The Secretary explained that due to the fact that the individual suffers from stage four kidney cancer and has diabetes, limiting staff to no more than two persons in the small space was done out of an abundance of caution and in consideration of the risk factors. Alderman Middleton asked if the mayor had been made aware of the action. The Mayor replied that he was aware of the action and had approved. Alderman Wadzeck asked the mayor if he had anything to tell the council about the scheduled National Guard testing site on Saturday. The City Secretary said that it was customary for the host city to provide lunch for the soldiers conducting the testing and asked Alderman Sellers if she would be willing to sell lunches to the soldiers that day. The Alderman said that she would.
- Motion to adjourn by Alderman Durham, Second by Alderman Middleton. Meeting Adjourned 07:44 PM

Charles Evans, Mayor

Attest:

Dan Grife City Secretary