

City of Hawkins City Council Minutes



September 25, 2023

On this day September 25, 2023, at 6:00 pm, Mayor Susan Hubbard called a Special City Council meeting to order with council members Greg Branson, Eric Maloy, Eleta Taylor and Clara Kay. Chuck Richoz was not present. The department heads present were: Norma Hallmark, Mandy Thomas, Bucky Elkins, Guy McKee, and Mike Maberry.

Eric Maloy gave the invocation.

U.S. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Susan Hubbard.

No action taken on Kristen Bales discussing purchasing property at 225 W Blackbourn to turn in possible RV spots. Kristan Bales was not present.

No action taken on discussing and approve utility tap payments for Cody Jorgenson. Cody Jorgenson was not present.

Mayor Susan Hubbard opened a public hearing for the budget fiscal year 2023-2024. The Citizens discussed items on the budget. Police Chief Guy McKee presented to the Council at the public hearing an additional \$18,500 for the Police Department Budget. Also, clarification was made on the two Water Department projects: 1) Replaced 4 fire hydrants. 2) Replacing the main waterline to Hawkins ISD. Mayor Susan Hubbard closed the public hearing.

Clara Kay made a motion to approve of Ordinance 2023-0918 adopting the annual budget of the City of Hawkins, Texas for the fiscal year 2023-2024. Eleta Taylor seconded the motion. City Secretary Mandy Thomas called vote as follows: Greg Branson-yes; Eleta Taylor-yes; Eric Maloy-yes and Clara Kay-yes. Chuck Richoz was absent. The motion carried.

Mayor Susan Hubbard opened a public hearing for the property tax rate for fiscal year 2023-2024. No Citizen input. Mayor Susan Hubbard closed the public hearing.

Eleta Taylor made a motion to approve the Ordinance 2023-0925 final adoption and setting the tax rate for fiscal year 2023-2024 at \$.7935 per \$100 valuation. Clara Kay seconded the motion. City Secretary Mandy Thomas called vote as follows: Greg Branson voted yes to approve and set the tax rate; Eleta Taylor voted yes to approve and set the tax rate; Eric Maloy voted yes to approve and set the tax rate. Chuck Richoz was absent. The motion carried.

Eleta Taylor made a motion to approve adopting the final budget for fiscal year 2023-2024. Clara Kay seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Eleta Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Greg Branson. The motion carried.



Mandy K. Thomas, City Secretary

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Susan Hubbard, Mayor

9-29-23 Date

Attest: