

COUPLAND CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY - June 9, 2022 6:00 P. M.
COUPLAND FIRE STATION
403 FM 1466
COUPLAND, TEXAS

REGULAR MEETING

1. Call Regular Meeting to Order and Declare a Quorum.

Mayor Jack Piper called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. and declared a quorum with the following Aldermen present: Barbara Piper, Susan Garry, Karen Marosko, and John Ralston-Bates.

2. Review and Approve minutes of Council Meeting held on May 12, 2022.

The minutes were approved as written.

3. Financial Report as of May 31, 2022.

The City's net worth as of May 31, 2022 was \$415,457.09. Funds in the amount of \$50,000.00 will be moved to the city's cash reserve fund.

4. Citizen(s) Communications. The City Council welcomes public comments on items not listed on the agenda. However, the Council cannot respond until the item is posted on a future meeting agenda. Citizens who wish to speak at a council meeting must complete an "Appearance Before City Council" form at the meeting. (Three minutes limit).

5. Discussion regarding Public Improvement Districts (PID).

There were still questions that council had regarding a PID. A meeting with the city's attorney has tentatively been scheduled for June 23, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

6. The city has not received an application for determination from Matt Tiemann, Tiemann Land and Cattle Company on his proposed development.

7. The city has not received an application for determination from Barth Timmermann, Greenview Development, regarding their proposed development.

8. Road maintenance within the City of Coupland.

There are several places on CR 458 needing attention. The Muery/South Broad project has almost been completed. It is anticipated that completion will be within the next thirty days.

9. Discussion regarding Walker Street.

Abandonment of Walker Street. There was discussion and there were several questions relating to the abandonment of Walker Street. It was pointed out that this street is basically a drainage ditch at this time and is being mowed by Mr. Sewalson. It was recommended that

council develop a plan and process for abandoning streets deemed necessary in the city. It was decidedly pointed out that the city has not abandoned any streets since its incorporation. Through extensive research, it was found that Williamson County abandoned several streets in 1990.

10. Abandonment of alleyways.

The city has not abandoned any alleyways. Research did not find any alleyways abandoned. If someone has a recorded document to present as clarification for an alleyway being abandoned, they are encouraged to provide same.

11. Discussion regarding mowing City's right-of-ways.

Wally Kautz informed Mayor Piper that he no longer could maintain mowing of city right-of-way. He did say that anything that could be done on a tractor would be possible. The city will need to engage another source for this service. Interested parties are encouraged to submit a bid to the city for this work.

12. Facebook page - Update.

It has been completed and reviewed. It is now "live".

13. Strategic Planning Committee update.

The planning committee requested that the city lawyer be instructed to draft a resolution stating that any landowner annexing into the city will be exempted from city taxes while the land remains in agricultural use. Such exemption would end upon the development of the land for non-agricultural purposes.

That the city approves the creation of a statement of work for an administrative assistant to include job responsibilities, reporting structure and budget. Additionally, the city will consult with legal council on how a contractor may be brought on without them being an employee.

Discussions ensued regarding the above. Information will be forwarded to the city attorney as requested.

14. Coupland Volunteer Department activity.


The merger of the Thrall and Coupland VFDs has almost been completed with a small amount of paperwork to be done. Once completed, the two departments will be known as ESD 10.

15. Coupland citizens/events/announcements/recognitions.


16. The next Coupland Council meeting will be held on July 14, 2022.

17. The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:05 p.m.

ATTEST:



Barbara Piper, Alderwoman



Jack R. Piper, Mayor