

**COUPLAND CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
AND EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2023, 6:00 P.M.
COUPLAND (ESD) FIRE STATION
410 FM 1466
COUPLAND, TEXAS 78615**

Call Regular Meeting to order and declare a Quorum.

Mayor Piper called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 p.m. and declared a quorum with one council member missing, John Roulston-Bates.

The minutes of previous Council meetings were reviewed and approved.

Financial Reports as of September 30, 2023.

There were no questions relating to the Financial Reports for the period ending September 30, 2023.

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; there is a three-minute limit. There were no citizen communications.

Ordinance No. 2023-10-12-01, permitting the prohibiting of through trucks within the city limits of Coupland, Texas, where designated as such, fixing a penalty; providing for severability; providing for repeal of conflicting ordinances; and ordaining other provisions related to the subject matter thereof was passed with all members voting in favor of this ordinance.

The recently passed Budget for the City of Coupland was amended to incorporate the position of City Secretary. The Budget will be available on the City's website.

There were no new matters relating to road maintenance. Council discussed the usual problem area, CR 458. The road humps, bumps were discussed and it was determined that Alpha Paving would be contacted to submit a bid for such work.

There was no report given relating to the ESD 10 Fire Department.

During the citizens/events/announcements, it was mentioned that the Coupland Civic Organization would be hosting their annual fundraiser, Choo Choo Fest on Sunday, October 15, 2023.

The next regularly scheduled Coupland Council Meeting will be on Tuesday, November 21, 2023.

The Regular Meeting was adjourned.

Variance request by Eric and Denise Jiminez for 600 N. Broad St., Coupland, TX.
Eric and Denise Jiminez presented their request for the building situated at 600 N. Broad. They stressed that it was to be used as an offsite office location but that they would also like to use it as sleeping quarters when family visits. Questions were posed and council decided to discuss this further in an executive session.

Variance request by Jennifer Dollins relating to the operation of a small business on CR 458.

Jennifer had no specific business that she was inquiring about. Council asked that when she knew the type of business to request that council review.

Posting for City Secretary position.

Council requested that the position be posted on the TML website, the Taylor Press, the City of Coupland website. Barbara will commence work on this.

Road maintenance.

Alpha Paving will be contacted to do work on city streets. CR 458 will be done following the completion of grain season.

Receipt of petition from Burford Ranch requesting they be removed from the city's ETJ.

Council discussed and decided that (per law), not passing an ordinance approving the request but letting it run its course will be the council's action.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:30 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled council meeting will be on October 12, 2023.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Piper called the Executive session to order and declared a quorum.

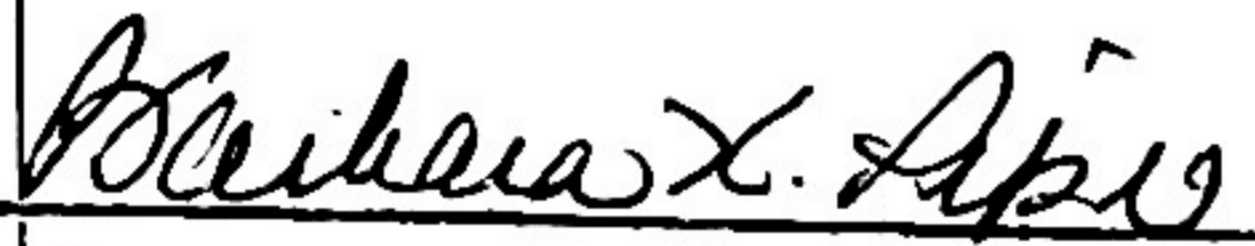
The 600 North Broad property was discussed. Deron Henry, the city's attorney, will draft a resolution for council.

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ATTEST:



Barbara K. Piper, Alderwoman



Jack R. Piper, Mayor