

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
OF CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF DAINGERFIELD  
May 13, 2024

City Council Present: Mayor Wade Kerley Councilmembers Jessie Ayers, Vicki Smith, Ben Ramirez, and Mike Carter

Absent: David Hood

City Staff Present: Interim City Manager/City Secretary Michelle Jones, Finance Director Amanda Sanders, Fire Chief Jimmy Cornileus, Assistant Chief Travis Miller, Officer Jonathan Jordan

Others: Josh Sanders-S2F, Jim Goodman, Chuck Clemens, Beverly Austin, Cody Sage-Cubbies, Hudson Johnson-Cubbies, Taylor Hackemack-Daingerfield State Park

Mayor Kerley called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Kerley gave the Invocation.

The Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge.

**Public Comments:**

No public comment

**4. Consent Agenda**

***All Consent items are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion and vote.***

- A. **Deliberate and Act to Approve Minutes of April 22, 2024:** Motion made by Councilmember Ramirez to approve minutes as presented, seconded by Councilmember Smith and all voted for. Motion carried.

**5. Business**

**Discuss, Consider, and Possibly Take Action Regarding:**

- A. **Deliberate and Take from the Table Agenda Item to Hear, Discuss, Review and Possibly Take Action on a Request from Daingerfield 259 LLC to assist in replacing an existing city sewer line across 201 Cotton St:** Motion made by Councilmember Carter to take from the table a request from Daingerfield 259 LLC to assist in replacing an existing city sewer line across 201 Cotton St, seconded by Councilmember Ayers and all voted for. Motion carried.

**B. Deliberate, Consider and Take Action on a Request from Daingerfield 259 LLC to assist in replacing an existing city sewer line across 201 Cotton St:**

Motion made by Councilmember Carter to postpone until more information is available, seconded by Councilmember Ramirez and all voted for. Motion carried.

**C. Canvass Returns of the Special Election of May 4, 2024:** City Secretary Michelle Jones presented Mayor Kerley Envelope 1, early voting tally and Envelope 1, election day tally. Mayor Kerley then opened the envelopes, retrieved the returns, and read them aloud as follows:

**Proposition A**

Early Voting	For: 34	Against: 10
<u>Election Day</u>	<u>For: 39</u>	<u>Against: 6</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>For: 73</b>	<b>Against: 16</b>

**Proposition B**

Early Voting	For: 35	Against: 9
<u>Election Day</u>	<u>For: 38</u>	<u>Against: 6</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>For: 73</b>	<b>Against: 15</b>

**Proposition C**

Early Voting	For: 38	Against: 7
<u>Election Day</u>	<u>For: 38</u>	<u>Against: 6</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>For: 76</b>	<b>Against: 13</b>

**Proposition D**

Early Voting	For: 21	Against: 23
<u>Election Day</u>	<u>For: 32</u>	<u>Against: 13</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>For: 53</b>	<b>Against: 36</b>

**Proposition E**

Early Voting	For: 28	Against: 16
<u>Election Day</u>	<u>For: 37</u>	<u>Against: 7</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>For: 65</b>	<b>Against: 23</b>

**Proposition F**

Early Voting	For: 28	Against: 16
<u>Election Day</u>	<u>For: 40</u>	<u>Against: 8</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>For: 68</b>	<b>Against: 24</b>

**Proposition G**

	Early Voting	For: 39	Against: 5
	<u>Election Day</u>	For: 47	Against: 3
<b>Proposition H</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>For: 86</b>	<b>Against: 8</b>
	Early Voting	For: 37	Against: 8
	<u>Election Day</u>	For: 45	Against: 3
<b>Proposition I</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>For: 82</b>	<b>Against: 11</b>
	Early Voting	For: 37	Against: 7
	<u>Election Day</u>	For: 39	Against: 7
<b>Proposition J</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>For: 76</b>	<b>Against: 14</b>
	Early Voting	For: 37	Against: 7
	<u>Election Day</u>	For: 41	Against: 5
<b>Proposition K</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>For: 78</b>	<b>Against: 12</b>
	Early Voting	For: 34	Against: 10
	<u>Election Day</u>	For: 38	Against: 10
<b>Proposition L</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>For: 72</b>	<b>Against: 20</b>
	Early Voting	For: 38	Against: 6
	<u>Election Day</u>	For: 42	Against: 5
	<b>Total</b>	<b>For: 80</b>	<b>Against: 11</b>

**Proposition M**

**“The lowering of the current one-half (1/2) of one percent sales and use tax allocated for property tax relief to one-fourth (1/4) of one percent and to thereby adopt a sales and use tax of one-fourth (1/4) of one percent to be used to reduce the property tax rate and the adoption of a Local Government Code Section 505.251 sales and use tax of one-fourth (1/4) of one percent to undertake projects authorized by and described in Section 505 of the Development Corporation Act”**

Early Voting	For: 25	Against: 19
<u>Election Day</u>	For: 33	Against: 17
<b>Total</b>	<b>For: 58</b>	<b>Against: 36</b>

Mayor Kerley noted that the figures on the tally sheets corresponded with the figures on the returns and offered the election documents for examination.

- D. Deliberate and Take Action to Approve Ordinance No. 05042024 Declaring the Results of Special Election Charter Amendments Held in the City of Daingerfield, on May 4, 2024:** Motion made by Councilmember Carter to Approve Ordinance No. 05042024 Declaring the Results of Special Election Charter Amendments Held in the City of Daingerfield, on May 4, 2024, seconded by Councilmember Ayers and all voted for. Motion carried.
  - E. Deliberate and Take Action to Approve Ordinance No. 05042024-02 Declaring the Results of Special Election Sales and Use Tax Held in the City of Daingerfield, on May 4, 2024:** Motion made by Councilmember Ayers to Approve Ordinance No. 05042024-02 Declaring the Results of Special Election Sales and Use Tax Held in the City of Daingerfield, on May 4, 2024, seconded by Councilmember Carter and all voted for. Motion Carried
  - F. Administer the Issuance of Certificates of Election, the Statement of Officer and Oath of Office, to newly elected Council, Mayor Wade Kerly, Councilmembers Vicki Smith and Jessie Ayers.** Newly elected Council, Mayor Wade Kerly, Councilmembers Vicki Smith, and Jessie Ayers were sworn in by City Secretary Michelle Jones.
  - G. Deliberate and Act to Award Bid for Texas Water Development Board Project #73915 Contract No. 1 CWSRF Sanitary Sewer System Rehabilitation.** Motion made by Councilmember Ayers to award bid to J2 construction Services, seconded by Councilmember Ramirez, and all voted for. Motion carried.
  - H. Deliberate and Act to Approve Resolution Budget Amendment 051324 to pay expense for work on the Wastewater System of necessary installation of electrical support to the Data Flow-SCADA system.** Motion made by Councilmember Carter to approve budget amendment as presented, seconded by Councilmember Ramirez and all voted for. Motion carried.
  - I. Deliberate and Discuss and Possibly Act on the Volunteer Fire department limiting response to critical county emergencies only while continuing full coverage within City limits:** Motion made by Councilmember Carter to notify the county that 30 days from June 1, 2024, the City will stop all county runs except emergency life threatening calls without a substantial increase in funding from the county, seconded by Councilmember Ramirez and all voted for. Motion carried.
- 6. Monthly Departmental Reports:** *Informational reports only; no action to be taken:*
- a. Animal Shelter, Code Enforcement, Electrical, EMS, Fire, Library, Municipal court, Police, Public Works
  - b. Financial
  - c. Interim City Manager

7. **Monthly Boards and Commissions Minuets:** *Informational reports only; no action to be taken:*
- a. Economic Development Corporation

**8. Executive Session**

**A. Convene into Executive session pursuant to Section 551.074(Personnel Matters) of the Government code to deliberate regarding the appointment of the City Manager.** Mayor Kerley convened into executive session pursuant to Section 551.074(Personnel Matters) of the Government code to deliberate regarding the appointment of the City Manager at 6:55 p.m. Mayor Kerley adjourned the executive session at 7:22 p.m. No Action was taken.

- 9. Reconvene into public session and take action as appropriate at the City Council's discretion regarding the appointment of City Manager.** Mayor Kerley reconvened into public and open session at 7:23 p.m. and Councilmember Carter made the motion to have the City attorney review contract and appoint Michelle Jones as City Manager, seconded by Councilmember Ramirez and all voted for. Motion carried.

**10. Adjournment.**

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:26 p.m. p.m. on motion by Councilmember Smith seconded by Councilmember Ramirez and all voted for, motion carried.



Wade Kerley, Mayor

ATTEST:



Michelle Jones, City Secretary

