

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
OF CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF DAINGERFIELD
September 18, 2023

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

Absent: City Manager Keith Whitfield

City Staff Present: City Secretary Michelle Jones, Finance Director Amanda Sanders, Police Chief Tracey Climer, Fire Chief Jimmy Cornileus

Others: Quentin Boyd-The Steel Country Bee

Mayor Kerley called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Mayor Kerley gave the Invocation.

The Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge.

3. Public Comments:

No public comments

4. Business

Discuss, Consider, and Possibly Take Action Regarding:

A. Deliberate and Act on Ordinance Adopting a Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024: Motion made by Councilmember Smith to move to approve Ordinance No. 2023-2024 and to set and approve the Municipal Budget for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year, seconded by Councilmember Hood. Mayor Kerley called a roll call vote and Councilmember Smith voted aye, Councilmember Ayers voted aye, Councilmember Hood voted aye, Councilmember Ramirez voted aye, and Councilmember Carter voted aye. The motion to approve ordinance 2023-2024 and to set and approve the municipal budget for the 2023/2024 fiscal year passes on a 5 to 0 vote

B. Deliberate and Act on Ordinance Voting to Ratify the Property Tax Increase Reflected in the Budget Pursuit to Texas Local Government Code 102.007: Motion made by Councilmember Hood to move to ratify the property tax increase reflected in the adopted annual budget for fiscal year 2023-2024, seconded by Councilmember Smith, Councilmembers Smith, Ayers, Hood, and Ramirez all voted aye. Councilmember Carter voted against. Motion carried on a 4 to 1 vote.

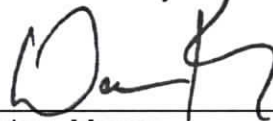
C. Deliberate and Act on Ordinance Setting an Ad Valorem Tax Rate for the Year 2023:

Motion made by Councilmember Ayers to move to approve Ordinance 2023-2024 and that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of 0.491974 per one hundred dollars of assessed value, which is effectively a 24.12% increase in the tax rate, seconded by Councilmember Ramirez. Mayor Kerley called for a roll call vote. Councilmember Smith voted aye, Councilmember Ayers voted aye, Councilmember Hood voted aye, Councilmember Ramirez voted aye, and Councilmember Carter voted against. The motion to approve ordinance 2023-xx and that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of 0.491974 per one hundred dollars of assessed value, which is effectively a 24.12% increase in the tax rate, passes on a 4 to 1 vote.

D. Deliberate and Act on Resolution Allowing Discounts for Early Payment of Ad Valorem Taxes: Motion made by Councilmember Hood to approve resolution allowing discounts for early payment of Ad Valorem Taxes, seconded by Councilmember Carter and all voted aye. Motion carried 5 to 0.

5. Adjournment.

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:16 p.m. on motion by Councilmember Smith seconded by Councilmember Carter and all voted aye.



Wade Kerley, Mayor

ATTEST:



Michelle Jones
City Secretary

