

MINUTES OF THE SPLENDORA CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL SESSION MEETING HELD ON THE 7TH DAY OF AUGUST 2023, AT CITY HALL, LOCATED AT 26090 FM 2090 E, SPLENDORA, TEXAS 77372 IN THE CITY OF SPLENDORA, COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY, TEXAS AT 6:30 P.M.

The Council met in a regular session with the following members present:

COUNCILMEMBERS:

Dorothy Welch, Mayor
William Ramey, Position I
Evelyn Myers, Position II - ABSENT
Mike Clark, Position III
Webster Ipes, Position IV
William Usher, Position V

OFFICERS:

Leonard Schneider, City Attorney
Danna Welter, City Administrator
Anita Davis, City Secretary

SPECIAL SESSION

1. Mayor Welch called the meeting to order. [6:30 p.m.]

ROLL CALL

2. All present, except Councilmember Myers, thus constituting a quorum.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INVOCATION

- 3/4. Pledge/Invocation.

AGENDA

5. Public Comment.
None.
6. Discuss Mayor's recommendation to adopt the De Minimis rate of \$0.3040/\$100 M&O and \$0.0383/\$100 Debt, for a total of \$.3423; and take record vote on the proposed tax rate.
 - FOR the proposal: William Usher, Webster Ipes, William Ramey, and Mike Clark
 - AGAINST the proposal: None
 - PRESENT and not voting: None
 - ABSENT: Evelyn Myers
7. Consider and/or take action to call public hearing on the proposed 2023-2024 Annual Budget for August 21, 2023. Councilmember Usher made a motion to call public hearing on the proposed 2023-2024 Annual Budget for August 21, 2023, at 6:30 p.m., and Councilmember Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
8. Consider and/or take action to call public hearing on the proposed tax rate for 2023, for August 22, 2023. Councilmember Ipes made a motion to call public hearing on the proposed tax rate for August 22, 2023, at 6:30 p.m., and Councilmember Ramey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
9. Consider and/or take action on Ordinance 2023-08-07A calling an election on November 7, 2023, for the election for the positions of Mayor and Councilmembers I, and II. Councilmember Usher made a motion to approve Ordinance 2023-08-07A calling an election on November 7, 2023, for the election of the positions of Mayor and Councilmembers I, and II, and Councilmember Ipes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
10. Consider and/or take action on Ordinance 2023-08-07B authorizing the settlement of the proposed fuel reconciliation of Entergy Texas, Inc.
No Action.
11. Consider and/or take action on Ordinance 2023-08-07C, approving Budget Amendments for FY 2022-2023. Councilmember Usher made a motion to approve Ordinance 2023-08-07C, approving Budget Amendments for FY 2022-2023, and Councilmember Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
12. Consider and/or approve the Quarter Investment Report – 1st and 2nd Quarter 2023. Councilmember Ramey made a motion to approve the Quarter Investment Report – 1st and 2nd Quarter 2023, and Councilmember Ipes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

13. Consider and/or take action to approve payment to Clark Equipment Company dba Bobcat Company for Bobcat Compact Excavator in the amount of \$48,586.92 to be funded from insurance proceeds, as presented by Utility Supervisor Jeff Rich.
Councilmember Usher made a motion to approve payment to Clark Equipment Company dba Bobcat Company for Bobcat Compact Excavator in the amount of \$48,586.92 to be funded from insurance proceeds, and Councilmember Ramey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
14. Consider and/or take action to approve payment to Montgomery County Elections Administrator for the November 8, 2022 Joint Election in the amount of \$11,209.00.
Councilmember Ipes made a motion to approve payment to Montgomery County Elections Administrator for the November 8, 2022 Joint Election in the amount of \$11,209.00, and Councilmember Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
15. Consider and/or take action on a quote from AT&T for internet services for five City locations in the amount of \$2,948.27, to be funded from various accounts, as presented by Administrator Danna Welter.
Councilmember Usher made a motion to approve quote from AT&T for internet services for five City locations in the amount of \$2,948.27, to be funded from various accounts, and Councilmember Ramey seconded the motion. All were in favor except Councilmember Clark voted against. The motion passed 3-1.
16. Consider and/or take action on Resolution 2023-08-07A annual review of the Investment Policy.
Councilmember Ipes made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-08-07A annual review of the Investment Policy, and Councilmember Ramey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
17. Consider and/or take action on Resolution 2023-08-07B authorizing signatures of officials on Asset Forfeiture-Seizure Account.
Councilmember Ipes made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-08-07B authorizing signatures of officials on Asset Forfeiture-Seizure Account, and Councilmember Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
18. Executive Session- The Council will meet in Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) to receive legal advice on claims by Rai Duenas against City of Splendor. 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property) possible value of real property and to 551.071 to receive legal advice on procedures to sell real property. real estate sale.
[6:49 p.m. – 7:03 p.m.]
19. Consider and/or take action on items in Executive Session, if applicable.
NA
20. Adjourn [7:04 p.m.]
Councilmember Usher made a motion to adjourn, and Councilmember Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Anita Davis, City Secretary