

A **special meeting** of the City Council was held at City Hall on October 1, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order

Mayor Dale Lemon.

2. Roll Call

Council present: Jeff Farley, Rachel Wells and Jaylyn White-Wick.

Others present: Cindy King, City Manager; Homer Toscano, Dir. of Public Works; Charlie Stevenson, City Attorney.

3. Invocation

The invocation was given by Charlie Stevenson.

4. Pledge of Allegiance / Texas Pledge

Pledge of allegiance and Texas Pledge was led by Bill Hayes.

5. Presentations by Citizens:

Neal Bess Jr. spoke on behalf of EDC stating Phillips 66 Pipeline Office and Warehouse is starting the last phase of getting in the Industrial Park on Oct. 7, 2015. The first phase was getting water and gas line.

6. Old Business

A. Discuss/ Take Action on Vacancy Council Position #3

This item was discussed and action took with item B under New Business.

7. New Business

A. Discuss / Take Action on Resignation of Gary Coker Position #1.

Jeff Farley made a motion to accept the resignation of Gary Coker from position #1. Rachel Wells seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

B. Discuss / Take Action on Vacancy Council Position #1

Cindy King stated the city has received calls from several people interested in position #3. She stated she would like to take application for the position. Rachel Wells wanted to appoint both positions tonight. Jaylyn White-Wick and Jeff Farley wanted to fill only position #1 tonight and take applications on position #3. There was five people present that was interested in serving on City Council. Neal Bess Jr., Sandra Blaine, Brian Brooks, Bill Hayes and Tim Shotts. Cindy King stated that Judy Delany and Pastor Dinello also called and were interested.

Jeff Farley made a motion to accept Sandra Blaine for position #1 and Tim Shotts for position #3. Motion dies for lack of second.

Jaylyn White-Wick made a motion to appoint Sandra Blaine to position #1. Jeff Farley seconded.

Jaylyn White-Wick and Jeff Farley voted in favor. Rachel Wells opposed. Motion carried.

Jaylyn White-Wick made a motion to appoint Brian Brooks to position #3. Motion dies

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Rachel Wells made a motion to appoint Tim Shotts to position #3. Jeff Farley seconded. Rachel Wells and Jeff Farley were in favor. Jaylyn White-Wick opposed. Motion carried.

C. Discuss / Take Action Department Support – Improvements / Mayor Lemon

Mayor Lemon stated we have had a lot of discussion lately about stuff that goes on in the city, people with complaints, people thinking stuff should improve. Mayor Lemon would like to discuss the improvements and support that need to be made.

He addressed having a committee to help with policy and procedures for the city.

Jeff Farley asked Cindy to have all department heads update all procedures and have ready to present to council at next month meeting.

Jeff Farley made a motion to table department support and improvements. Jaylyn White-Wick seconded. All were in favor.

8. * Announcements

Cindy King read a letter of resignation:

I, Homer Toscano am officially announcing my retirement from the City of Sweeny. My retirement date is January 31, 2016.

Cindy also stated she put his open position on the city website and was putting the ad in the paper for seeking a Public Works Director. The deadline for applications is Oct. 23, 2015, have interviews the last week of October to hire someone by Nov. 1, 2015.

Adjournment: 6:56 pm

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____ 2015

Reatta Minshe, City Secretary