



**MONTHLY COUNCIL MINUTES
March 7, 2022**

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF WISE
CITY OF NEW FAIRVIEW**

THE CITY COUNCIL CONVENED INTO A CITY COUNCIL MEETING THE SAME BEING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, THE 7th DAY OF MARCH IN THE NEW FAIRVIEW CITY HALL AND NOTICE OF SAID MEETING GIVING THE TIME PLACE AND SUBJECT THEREFORE HAVING BEEN POSTED AS PRESCRIBED BY ARTICLE 5 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS

PRESENT:

CITY COUNCIL

**Mayor John Taylor
Mayor Pro Tem Julie Burger
Place 3 Councilman Steve Misner
Place 4 Councilman Steven King**

City Staff

**Brooke Boller, City Secretary
Roberta (Robin) Cross, City Attorney**

Absent

Place 2 Councilman Scott Johnson

Work Session: 7:00 pm

1. Call to order and roll call. (Work Session called to order by Mayor John Taylor at 7:00 pm, Roll call with the above-mentioned names.)

2. Go over and review the time schedule of the hiring process for a City Administrator.

Council stated job applications will be accepted until 3/14. We will host a Town Hall meeting on 3/17 to meet the final candidates and to go through the interview process with Council, City Staff, P&Z as well as with any citizen who wishes to participate. Then on 3/21 Council will make an offer.

3. Discuss hiring a City Clerk.

Council and staff have decided to wait until a City Administrator is hired. They then can make the decision on hiring a City Clerk.

4. Discuss a possible city ordinance on fencing.

Councilwoman Julie Burger wants the ordinance to state what type of material can be used. As well as stating that there can be no large fencing in the front of the house. Councilman Steven King wants City Staff to compare surrounding cities fence ordinances. And Mayor John Taylor wants to ensure that Planning and Zoning is involved in the process.

5. Discuss possible city ordinance amending Sec. 3.01 .014 Keeping Livestock

Council would like to update the current ordinance from one head of livestock per acre to

- smaller livestock, such as goats and sheep, 2 or 3 per acre. If nursing 5 or 6 per acre.

- No Hogs

- 1 per acre, Cow, Horse, Donkey and Mule

- 4H and nursing exemptions

6. Discuss possible city ordinance amending Sec 3.01.016 Keeping Bees

Council asked staff to check previous City Administrators files for the amended ordinance.

7. Review of Dis-Annexation Petitions filed with the City, On 1/24/22 & 2/28/22.

City Attorney Robin spoke on this and informed council that a petition was turned into City Staff on 1/24/22. With the change in staff signatures were verified and that this petition was short signatures. The appropriate parties were informed of the shortage of signatures as well as being notified it was not going to be placed on the ballot for May. A second petition was turned into City Staff on 2/28/22 and all signatures were verified. But that the date for the Mayor to call for the election had passed on 2/25/22 and that the de-annexation could be placed on the ballot for the November 2022 election.

8. Adjournment

Mayor John Taylor adjourned the work session at 7:30 pm. All were in Favor.

Regular Session immediately following work session.

I. Call to order and roll call. (Regular Session called to order by Mayor John Taylor at 7:30 pm, Roll call with the above-mentioned names.)

11. Pledge to the Flags.

a. United States of America

b. Texas Flag: Honor the Texas Flag, I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible.

Ill. Open Forum: The City Council invites persons with comments or observations related to city issues, projects, or policies to briefly address the City Council. Anyone wishing to speak should sign-in with the City Secretary before the beginning of the City Council Meeting. In order to expedite the flow of business and to provide all citizens the opportunity to speak, there is a three minute limitation on any person addressing the City Council. State law prohibits the City Council from discussing or taking action on any item not listed on the posted agenda.

Jimmy Royston- Spoke on his disappointment that the petition was not going to be on the May 2022 ballot. Was disappointed that staff did not notify him until 5pm on 2/25/22 via email that his petition was short signatures. He stated that he had spoken with both

Denton and Wise County Election offices and was informed that the mayor could still call the election and his petition could be placed on the May ballot. City Attorney Robin stated that she would clarify with the Secretary of State.

Nelson Craig- Spoke to council about the de-annexation of Falcon Ridge, a community in which he resides. Also spoke on the behavior which he has seen from council over the past few months and stated how he did not appreciate the hate he has witnessed coming from some council members.

IV. Consent Items: All matters as Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered separately.

- a. **Accept the City Council Minutes for February 15, 2022 February 21, 2022**

Motion: Councilman Steven King

Second: Councilman Steve Misner

Vote: All in Favor

Result: Passed as written

**V. Recess to Executive Session to discuss matters relating to real property pursuant to §551.072, Texas Government Code; deliberation of economic development negotiations pursuant to §551.087 , Texas Government Code; discuss personnel matters pursuant to §551.074, Texas Government Code; (Review and determine City Secretary applicants for interview), Texas Government Code; and to consult with the City attorney pursuant to §551.071, Texas Government Code;
§551.071 - Discuss, consider, and act on a resolution of a separation agreement between Ben Nibarger and the City of New Fairview, Texas**

VI. Adjourn:

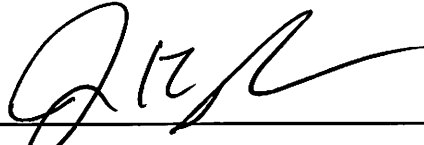
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Second: Councilwoman Julie Burger

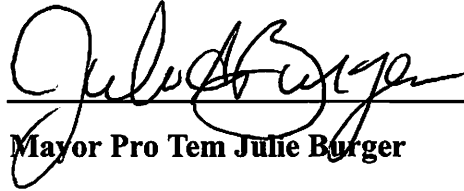
Vote: All in Favor

Result: Meeting adjourned at 7:59 pm.

MINUTES APPROVED ON THIS, THE 16TH DAY OF MAY 2022



Mayor John Taylor

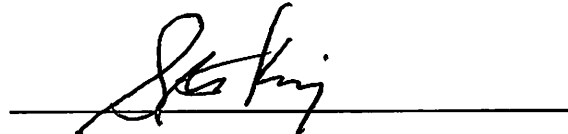


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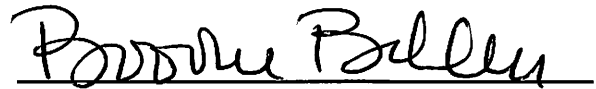


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ATTEST:



Brooke Boller, City Secretary