

MINUTES OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF DIBOLL, TEXAS REGULAR SESSION
MEETING ON TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 8, 2020 AT 5:15PM, AT THE CITY HALL CHAMBERS

NOTICE: We observed social distancing for the council meeting due to the COVID-19 pandemic and wore facemasks

COUNCIL PRESENT

Mayor Lewis Ivey, and Councilmembers Benita Sheffield Duffield, Tom Farley, Mayor Pro Tem Daniel Lopez, Luis Maldonado, and Charles Moses, Sr.

ABSENT

Councilmember Don Hendrick

STAFF PRESENT

City Manager Gerry Boren, City Secretary Melissa McCall, Finance Director Sam Durham, and Assistant Police Chief Norman Williams.

Mayor Ivey called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm and gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance, led by Mayor Ivey.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

None

Item #1: Public Hearing - Proposed 2020-2021 Fiscal Year Budget for the City of Diboll.

Citizen Trey Wilkerson spoke regarding the proposed 2020-2021 Fiscal Year Budget and was in opposition as to how funds are being allocated and reported pertaining to the \$2.50 per month road maintenance fees. No other participation by citizens other than Mr. Wilkerson.

Item #2: Public Hearing - 2020 Tax Year Proposed Property Tax Rate for City of Diboll

No participation from citizens regarding this hearing.

Item #3: Auditor Presentation: Annual presentation of Audited Financials for the 2019-2020 fiscal year by Louis Breedlove, Senior Audit Manager with Brooks Watson LLP.

Mr. Breedlove praised Finance Director, Sam Durham, on her assistance with the annual audit and stated "The city did receive an unmodified opinion, which is the highest level of assurance that we are able to provide as auditors," adding "that is what we want."

Daniel Lopez made the motion to approve the audit and Tom Farley second.

All in Favor, none opposed, council approves the annual Audit.

Item #4: Consent Agenda: All matters listed under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be separate discussion. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered separately. Consider approving the following reports:

- a. Minutes from August 11, 2020 City Council Regular Session Meeting
- b. Minutes from August 18, 2020 City Council Budget Workshop
- c. Minutes from August 25, City Council Special Called Meeting
- d. Financial Report for August 2020

Tom Farley made the motion to approve and Luis Maldonado second.

All in Favor, none opposed, motion carries.

Item #5: Discuss and consider taking action to adopt Resolution 2020-08-001 calling of the November 03, 2020 general election. Due to no opposition, the City Council has only the position of mayor on the ballot.

Don Hendrick made the motion to approve and Tom Farley second.

All in Favor, none opposed, motion carries.

Item #6: CITY MANAGER AND DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Fire Department Report – Gary Jones, Fire Chief

Police Department Report – Steve Baker, Police Chief

Animal Control Report – Grady Courtney, Animal Control Officer

Street Department Report – Robby Roberts, Jr., Department Head

Water Department Report – Faustino Lopez III, Department Head

Wastewater Department Report – Bridget Sarver, Department Head

Parks Department Report – Patrick Miller, Department Head

Finance & Court – Sam Durham, Staff Accountant

City Manager - Gerry Boren

Various comments from City Manager Boren were as follows:

- Georgia-Pacific LLC via the Diboll Booster Club, due to Diboll Day being cancelled this year due to COVID-19, has decided to provide funding for all five (5) scoreboards needed to be replaced at the Diboll Youth Baseball/Softball Complex.

- Georgia-Pacific LLC also has decided to donate funding for a new gazebo pavilion in Old Orchard Park.
- We are incredibly grateful to GP for all their support and greatly appreciate Yana Ogletree, Public Affairs Manager with GP, for all her efforts getting these two donations approved.

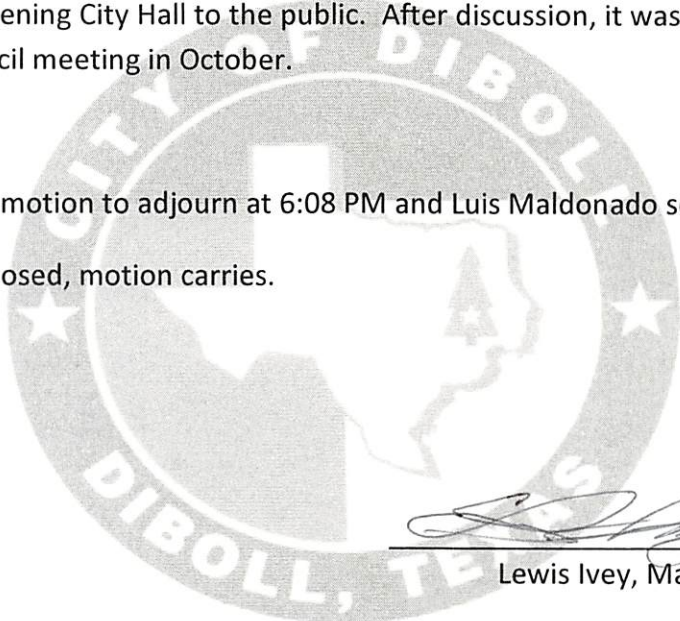
Mayor Ivey and the Council also recognized City Secretary, Melissa McCall for completion of the Texas Municipal Clerks Certification Program awarded through the University of North Texas and who recently achieved the status of the first City of Diboll's Texas Registered Municipal Clerk (TRMC).

Mayor Ivey also gave updates to happens around town and asked the council for an update on their opinion for reopening City Hall to the public. After discussion, it was decided to table until the next regular council meeting in October.

Adjournment

Tom Farley made the motion to adjourn at 6:08 PM and Luis Maldonado second.

All in Favor, none opposed, motion carries.



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Lewis Ivey, Mayor

ATTEST BY:

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 Melissa McCall, City Secretary

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 CITY OF DIBOLL §

