

MEETING OF THE MINEOLA CITY COUNCIL
5:30 P.M., Monday, October 26, 2020
300 Greenville Hwy, Mineola TX 75773

AGENDA

Call to order and confirmation of quorum

_____ Kevin White, Mayor	_____ Mitchell Tuck
_____ Sue Jones, Mayor Pro Tem	_____ Polly Jones
_____ Jayne Lankford	_____ Greg Hollen
_____ Cassandra Sampson	_____ Mercy Rushing, City Manager
_____ Cindy Karch, City Secretary	_____ Blake Armstrong, City Attorney

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Citizen Comment

“Pursuant to Texas Government Code section 551.007, members of the public may speak on an agenda item during the public communication section of the meeting or at the time the agenda item is called for discussion by the Mayor. Speakers shall be given three (3) minutes to speak. A speaker needing a translator and/or interpreter may be given six (6) minutes to speak. Members of the public wishing to address the Council on non-agenda items may do so pursuant to the same time constraints as agenda items. The Council will not comment on items not on the agenda; however, the Council may refer the item to City Staff for research, resolution or referral of the matter to the Council as a future agenda item.”

Notice Regarding Public Participation

Governor Greg Abbot has granted a temporary suspension of certain rules to allow for telephone or videoconference public meetings in an effort to reduce in-person meetings that assemble large groups of people, due to the COVID-19 (coronavirus) public health emergency.

In an effort to reduce the spread of the virus, the public will be able to address the Council via telephone conference call for the meeting.

To participate in the telephone conference call, please call 1-346-248-7799 and enter Meeting ID 820 9348 5072. Password is 087656, or you may login to

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82093485072?pwd=TG9MdKMOsmtvNk1JRjRrOCtNbktjUT09>

Consent Agenda

All of the following items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and self-explanatory by the Council and will be enacted with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member requests to do so. The item may subsequently be removed from the Consent Agenda to be considered separately.

1. Consider approval of minutes of the Regular Council Meeting on September 21, 2020 and the Special Council Meeting on October 5, 2020.
2. Consider approval of the Financial Statement for the month of September 2020.
3. Consider approval of the Monthly Investment Report for the month of September 2020.
4. Consider approval of the Monthly Department Head Reports for the month of September 2020. (Building Inspections, Code Enforcement, Fire, Police, Main Street, Marketing, Street, Water, Wastewater)
5. Consider action to change the dates of the Regular City Council Meetings as follows: 1) December 28 to December 14, 2020 due to the Christmas Holiday; 2) September

27 to September 13, 2021 in order to set tax rate and budget as requested by the Wood County Tax Assessor.

6. Discuss and consider action on a resolution naming the Wood County Monitor as the official newspaper for the City of Mineola for the Fiscal Year 2020-2021.
7. Consider a resolution suspending SWEPCO's proposed effective date related to its statement of intent to increase rates submitted to the City on about October 13, 2020; engaging special counsel to represent the City with regard to SWEPCO's statement of intent; authorizing intervention in proceedings related to SWEPCO's statement of intent through a coalition of cities known as Cities Advocating Reasonable Deregulation ("CARD"); and directing SWEPCO to reimburse the City's reasonable rate case expenses related to SWEPCO's statement of intent.
8. Consider approval of Mineola Economic Development Board reappointments of Gordon Tiner, Barbara Dawson, Ken Pearce and Joe Williams, each for a two year term.
9. Consider approval of Parks and Open Spaces Advisory Board Member reappointments of Polly Jones, Gordon Tiner and Neal Duncan, each for a two year term.

Discussion on Action Items, Public Hearings, Presentations, and Announcements.

10. Discuss Meredith Requests for 2021, requests due by November 13th for November meeting.
11. Presentation of Year End Financial Reports by Cindy Karch/Finance Director.
12. Discuss and consider action on an ordinance adopting a Social Media Policy.
13. Discuss and consider action on an ordinance adopting a Digital Media Policy.
14. Discuss and consider action on adopting the updated City of Mineola Safety Policy and Program, first established November 25, 2002.
15. Discuss and consider action to solicit bids on city owned property, Lot 2D, Blk E, City of Mineola, located on Harris St.
16. Discuss and consider action to amend City Council Minutes of July 27, 2020, item number 8 by adding "Lot 6, 7, 8B Blk 21 Mineola Townsites, high bid to Jeff Sandifer, LLC and authorize the Mayor to sign the contract on behalf of the City of Mineola".
17. Mayor Comments – regarding matters appearing on the agenda; recognition of community members, city employees, and upcoming events; inquiry of staff regarding specific factual information or existing policies.
18. City Manager Briefing and Announcements

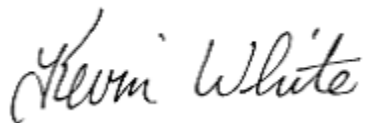
Adjournment

The City Council reserves the right to meet in closed session on any agenda item should the need arise and if applicable pursuant to authorization by Title 5, Chapter 551, of the Texas Government Code (the Texas open meeting laws).

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Mineola will provide for reasonable accommodations for persons attending public meetings. To better serve attendees, requests should be received 48 hours prior to the meeting. Please contact the office of the City Secretary at 903-569-6183.

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the above notice of meeting was posted on the bulletin board at the Mineola Municipal Complex on October 23, 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kevin White". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'K' and 'W'.

Kevin White, Mayor