

**MINEOLA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
SPECIAL MEETING - MINEOLA CITY HALL  
MARCH 1, 2021, 5:30 P.M.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**    **In person:** Mayor Kevin White and Council Members Jayne Lankford **Via video/phone conference:** Council Members Greg Hollen, Mitchell Tuck, Sue Jones and Cassandra Sampson.

**MEMBERS ABSENT**    Polly Jones

**STAFF PRESENT**    **In Person:** Mercy Rushing, Cindy Karch, William Crump, Charles Bittner, David Madsen, Lisa Morrison, Lynn Kitchens, and Doris Newman

**OTHERS PRESENT**    Phil Major, Wood County Monitor; Amanda Duncan, Wood County Now, Hayden Ray ETMC UTHealth, Jacob Smith ETMC Hospital CEO, and Scott Berkley ETMC UTHealth.

**CALL TO ORDER** Mayor White called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and confirmed a quorum of the council was present.

Invocation led by Mayor Kevin White and Pledge of Allegiance led by Mrs. Jayne Lankford

**CITIZEN COMMENT** – None

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Consider approval of minutes of the Special Council Meeting on January 14, 2021 and the Regular Council Meeting on January 25, 2021.
2. Consider approval of the Financial Statement for the month of January 2021.
3. Consider approval of the Monthly Investment Report for the month of January 2021.
4. Consider approval of the Monthly Department Head Reports for the month of January 2021. (Building Inspections, Code Enforcement, Fire, Police, Main Street, Marketing, Municipal Court, Street, Water, Wastewater)
5. Consider action on the Mineola Police Department Annual Racial Profile Report for 2020.
6. Consider action on an Interlocal Agreement with Wood County for the May 1, 2021 Election.
7. Consider action to appoint Margret Quintana to the Planning & Zoning board to fill a vacancy.

Councilmember Jayne Lankford made the motion to approve consent agenda with the correction to the January 25, 2021 minutes which states December 20, 2021. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sue Jones and carried by a unanimous roll-call vote.

**DISCUSSION ON ACTION ITEMS, PUBLIC HEARINGS, PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

8. **Discuss and consider action on an ordinance granting to CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp., DBA CenterPoint Energy Texas Gas Operations a franchise to maintain facilities within the public rights-of-way.**

Councilmember Sue Jones made the motion to grant CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp., DBA CenterPoint Energy Texas Gas Operations a franchise. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Jayne Lankford and carried by a unanimous roll-call vote

**9. Discuss and consider action on an Order Extending and Amending the Declaration of Local Disaster issued February 22, 2021.**

Councilmember Cassandra Sampson made the motion to approve an order extending and amending the declaration of local disaster until March 22, 2021. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sue Jones and carried by a unanimous roll-call vote

**10. Discuss and consider action on a replat of Lot 2 Block 294 MEDC Addition.**

Councilmember Greg Holland made the motion to approve the replat of Lot 2 Block 294 MEDC Addition. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sue Jones and carried by a unanimous roll-call vote

**11. Discuss and consider action on a resolution in opposition to SB 324 and HB 749.**

Councilmember Jayne Lankford made the motion to approve a resolution in opposition to SB 324 and HB 749. The motion was seconded by Sue Jones and carried by a unanimous roll-call vote

**12. 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.**

Mayor White had no additional comments

**13. City Manager Briefing and Announcements**

Mrs. Rushing informed the council on the extreme weather report and each department head briefed the council on their department's involvement in the extreme weather. Mrs. Rushing told the council of the upcoming retirement of Lynn Kitchens Marketing & Tourism Director and Benny James from the water Department. There will be a come and go party on March 26, 2021 from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Mrs. Rushing also informed the council on the Meredith funding; City Clean up-March 13th; and Junk in the Trunk on March 13<sup>th</sup>.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further items for consideration, a motion to adjourn was made and the meeting adjourned.



Kevin White, Mayor

ATTEST:



Cindy Karch, City Secretary