

**MINEOLA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING - MINEOLA CITY HALL  
APRIL 25, 2022, 5:30 P.M.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT** Mayor Jayne Lankford; Mayor Pro Tem Sue Jones; Councilmembers Cassandra Sampson, Eric Carrington, Mitchell Tuck, Jack Newman and Terry Eaton.

**MEMBERS ABSENT** None

**STAFF PRESENT** Mercy Rushing, Cindy Karch, Lisa Morrison, David Madsen, Kyle McCoy and Owen Tiner

**OTHERS PRESENT** Phil Major with the Wood County Monitor; Joe Daniels, Tiffany Damskov, Angie Malone, Martha Holmes, Ruby Sampson, Carter Mize, Joyce Williams, Jim Phillips, Steve R. B Foohe, Kim Galyean, and Cleottice Walton.

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

Invocation led by Terry Eaton and Pledge of Allegiance lead by Eric Carrington

**CITIZEN COMMENT** – Carter Mize of 104 E. Patten addressed the council in support of more festivals and events downtown

**PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS**

1. Cassandra Sampson was presented by Meals on Wheels first place award for the first yearly Mayor Mayhem contest in Wood County. Councilmember Sampson known as Lady Spring brought joy and blessings to the Meals on Wheels residents.
2. City Manager Rushing introduced Kyle McCoy as the new Director of Public Works and Parks Operations.
3. Mayor Lankford presented the Landmark Commission with a proclamation for National Train Day proclaiming May 14, 2022 as “Train Day in Mineola Texas”. The proclamation stated that Mineola greatly benefits from its place on the intercity rail network and passenger rail brings travelers back to American downtowns.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

4. Consider approval of minutes of the Special Council Meeting on March 3, 2022, Regular Council Meeting on March 28, 2022 and the Special Council Meeting on April 11, 2022.
5. Consider approval of the Financial Statement for the month of March, 2022.
6. Consider approval of the Quarterly Investment Report for March 2022.
7. Consider approval of the Monthly Department Head Reports for the month of March, 2022. (Building Inspections, Code Enforcement, Fire, Police, Main Street, Marketing, Street, Water, Wastewater)
8. Consider approval of a Street Closure request from the Mineola Senior Class on May 25, 2022 for the Senior Sunset Dinner.
9. Consider approval of a Street Closure request from the Mineola Senior Class on May 23 (or 25) for Painting the Hill on Patten Street.

**10. Consider action on a resolution to approve the annual Investment Policy.**

Councilmember Jones made the motion to approve the consent agenda with the correction of May 3, 2022 to March 3, 2022. . The motion was seconded by Councilmember Eaton and carried by a unanimous vote.

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

**11. Citizen Comment requesting council to consider adopting a COLA for City of Mineola retirees.**

Mr. Joe Daniels, retired City of Mineola employee, addressed the council asking them to consider passing an ordinance adopting COLA increase for retirees, citing rising inflation.

**12. Presentation of 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter financial report.**

Cindy Karch presented the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter financial report.

**13. Hold a public hearing on an ordinance to add Brewpub to the alcoholic beverage regulations.**

No citizens were present for comment and the hearing was closed.

**14. Discuss and consider action on an ordinance to add Brewpub to the alcoholic beverage regulations.**

Councilmember Eaton made the motion to approve to take action on an ordinance to add Brewpub to the alcoholic beverage regulations. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Jones and carried by a unanimous vote.

**15. Discuss and consider action of replat of Lots 3, 4, 5 of the Grand Plaza Addition.**

Councilmember Newman made the motion to approve the replat of Lots 3, 4, 5 of the Grand Plaza Addition. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Tuck and carried by a unanimous vote.

**16. Discuss and consider action on a resolution to abandon easements located between Best Western Hotel and Lake Country Dental.**

Councilmember Newman made the motion to approve resolution to abandon easements located between Best Western Hotel and Lake Country Dental. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Eaton and carried by a unanimous vote.

Mayor Lankford opened the public hearing. Sandra Tiner, who owns property next to the development stated that the owner of this lot agreed to install a privacy fence between the properties. Otherwise she had no objections to the project. No other citizens commented and the hearing was closed.

**17. City Manager briefing and announcements:**

- a. Budget Timeline
- b. Election May 7<sup>th</sup> and Special Meeting May 10<sup>th</sup>.
- c. Phone and internet savings.

City Manager Rushing spoke to the council about the budget timeline and told them that everything that was highlighted is a mandatory meeting. Ms. Rushing spoke about the city's phone and internet service

were all moved to ATT&T and made a \$200.00 savings a month for the city. Ms. Rushing told the council that Cindy Karch City Secretary is taking a Texas Certified Public Manager Program and has completed a section of the program.

Ms. Rushing gave a calendar of events for the month of May. May 7<sup>th</sup> – City & School Elections (City Council Chambers); May Fiesta Day (downtown Mineola); and Farmers Market. May 8<sup>th</sup> – Mother’s Day. May 10<sup>th</sup>- Special City Council Meeting. May 14<sup>th</sup> – National Train Day in Mineola. May 30<sup>th</sup> – Memorial Day City Hall will be closed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

  
Jayne Lanford, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Cindy Karch, City Secretary