

Minutes  
Called Meeting of Pittsburg City Council  
12:00 Noon, November 17, 2008  
City Hall, 200 Rusk Street

Councilmembers Present:

Mayor	Shawn Kennington
Mayor Pro-Tem	D.C. Moore
	Sue Sharp
	Fred Cook
	Kendal Burns

Councilmembers Absent:

Barbara Ford

City Staff Present:

City Manager	Jim Blanchard
City Secretary	Margaret Jackson
City Attorney	Mike Setty

Pittsburg Gazette	Susan Taft
Pittsburg Gazette	Eric Fruin
Longview News Journal	Maggie Souza
Daily Tribune	Lynda Stringer

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kennington called the meeting to order at 12:00 Noon and welcomed all present.

2. ELECTION

2.1 Canvassed the votes for the November 4, 2008 Special Election for adoption of the Home Rule Charter, with 357 votes cast, the results being 262 for the charter and 95 against.

Councilmember Cook made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sharp and carried unanimously.

3. CITY IN GENERAL

3.1 Adoption of the Home Rule Charter.

Councilmember Sharp made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Moore and carried unanimously.

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION

To be convened according to the Texas Government Code, Section 551.074 discussing personnel.

Entered Executive Session at 12:06 P.M.

## RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Returned to Open Session at 12:10 P.M.

- 4.1 Discussed and considered for approval hiring Interim City Manager.

Councilmember Moore made a motion to appoint Margaret Jackson as Interim City Manager with compensation of \$2,500.00 on top of salary. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cook and carried unanimously.

- 4.2 Discussed process of hiring City Manager.

Councilmembers discussed the cost involved with hiring a firm. Mayor Kennington stated that Paris hired a firm and the cost was \$37,800 and that Mt. Pleasant had hired the Waters Group and as to date had spent \$16,394. The Council instructed the Mayor get in touch with the Waters Group to get more information on the process of hiring and the cost.

- 4.3 Discussed and considered for approval Signator for city accounts.

Councilmember Sharp nominated Councilmember Burns. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cook and carried unanimously.

5. ADJOURN

Mayor Kennington adjourned the meeting at 12:32 P.M.

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Shawn Kennington, Mayor

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Margaret Jackson, City Secretary