

Minutes  
Regular Meeting of Pittsburg City Council  
5:30 P.M., February 9, 2015  
City Hall, 200 Rusk Street

Councilmembers Present:

Mayor	Shawn Kennington
Mayor ProTem	Kendal Burns
	Sue Sharp
	Fred Cook
	Rico Willis
	David Abernathy

Councilmember(s) Absent:

City Staff Present:

City Manager	Clint Hardeman
City Secretary	Margaret Jackson
City Attorney	Mike Setty
Chief of Police	Richard Penn
Economic Development Coordinator	Jenny Rowan

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kennington called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. and welcomed all present.

2. INVOCATION

Mayor Kennington gave the invocation.

3. PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVAL

3.1 Public Hearing on the proposed annexation plan pursuant to Section 43.05(h) located on US Highway 271 North.

4. CITY IN GENERAL

4.1 Leonard Acker presented for consideration and approval the audit for F/Y 2013/2014.

Councilmember Willis made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Abernathy and carried unanimously.

4.2 Discussed and considered for approval taking action to condemn the property located at 220 Quitman Street.

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

4.3 Considered for approval the reappointment of Pat Smith to the Northeast Texas Municipal Water District.

Councilmember Cook made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Willis. Councilmember Sharp voted yea. Councilmember Abernathy voted yea. Councilmember Burns abstained.

5. ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

5.1 Considered for approval a Resolution authorizing the closure of Quitman Street on Saturday, April 11, 2015 for HWY 271 Car Cruise Event.

Councilmember Burns made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Abernathy and carried unanimously.

5.2 Considered for approval on second reading an Ordinance establishing a special exemption area in Historical District of the City of Pittsburg.

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

5.3 Considered for approval a Resolution to apply for the SAFER Grant Program for assistance for firefighters.

Councilmember Burns made a motion to request up to three paid firefighters. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Abernathy and carried unanimously.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

6.1 Regular Meeting of January 12, 2015.

Councilmember Willis made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Abernathy and carried unanimously.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Adjourn to executive session pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Open Meetings Act for the purpose of considering the appointment, employment and evaluation of Personnel.

Councilmember Burns made a motion to enter into Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Abernathy and carried unanimously.

Entered Executive Session at 5:58 P.M.

7.1 Discussed City Managers contract.

8. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

8.1 Considered action on item discussed in Executive Session.

Councilmember Sharp made a motion to approve contract for City Manager. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Abernathy and carried unanimously.

Councilmember Sharp made a motion to return to Open Session. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cook and carried unanimously.

Returned to Open Session at 6:03 P.M.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Adjourn to executive session pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Open Meetings Act.

Councilmember Cook made a motion to enter into Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Willis and carried unanimously.

Entered Executive Session at 6:04 P.M.

9.1 Discussed and considered taking action on employment of future City Secretary.

9.2 Discussed and considered for approval benefits for leave of absence.

10. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

10.1 Considered action on items discussed in Executive Session.

Councilmember Abernathy made a motion to give the City Manager and Mayor Kennington approval to set a salary and advertise for the position of City Secretary. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Willis and carried unanimously. This was previously discussed above in 9.1.

Councilmember Abernathy made a motion to approve medical insurance for maximum benefits, for Carrie Kirkland for four more months, allowed in personnel policy, for a total of six months. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Willis and carried unanimously. This was previously discussed in 9.2.

Councilmember Abernathy made a motion to return to Open Session. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cook and carried unanimously.

Returned to Open Session at 6:25 P.M.

11. ADJOURN

Mayor Kennington adjourned the meeting at 6:30 P.M.

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Shawn Kennington, Mayor

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Margaret Jackson, City Secretary