

# The City of Deport, Texas Mayor John Mark Francis

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Pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code requiring governmental bodies to give notice of their meetings, this is to advise that the **Regular** called meeting of the DEPORT CITY COUNCIL will be held at **6:30 p.m. on Monday the 14th day of Sept, 2020**, at the **Deport City Hall.** in DEPORT, TEXAS, 201 Main St, Deport, Texas 75435, at which time the Council will consider all matters pertaining to the, including by way of information but not limitation, the following matters and authorize the Mayor to execute all documents necessary on behalf of the City of Deport related to the action taken by the Deport City Council on the following matters:

#### Minutes of Regular Meeting Members Present: Mayor John Mark Frances; Rebecca Crawford; Craig Folse; Marilyn Glover and Robert Bailey

## Members Absent: Julia Grossman

- 1. CALL TO ORDER- at 6:36 P.M Announce Quorum Present and Meeting Called and Posted as Required by Law.
  - a. Pledge of Allegiance
  - b. Invocation- Richard Pearce
  - c. Open Forum (Public Participation)

Mrs. Youngs- Complaint against Council Member- re: cemetery decoration, City of Deport is not responsible for the Highland Cemetery and she was advised by the Mayor to attend the September 28<sup>th</sup> Highland Cemetery meeting at the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall at 7:00 p.m.

- 2. Consideration, discussion, and possible action Update City Lake Emergency Plan
  - a. Emergency Plan
  - b. USDA Grant

Moved agenda item 2 to after 1b. before Open Forum.

Mr. Pearce (Engineer- Texas State Soil and water Conservation) discuss Deport Creek Watershed Dam (City Lake)-A single purpose use flood retardation and high hazard lake. The City of Deport is responsible for operation. Cost to build at the time was \$527,000 today it would cost 2 ½ million. It is a Federal Govt. project. Over the years damage by animals, ATV's and lack of maintenance could result destruction to the City. Private property on the east side property owners (taxpayers) gave the city an easement for maintenance. Trespassing and Vandalism has occurred to city property and private property; exp... gates, fence, and game camaras. TCEQ requires an Emergency action plan since it is a High Rick Reservoir. To maintenance the lake it would cost approximately \$50,000. State grants would pay for 90%. City of Deport would be responsible for 10%. Which is in 2020-2021 budget.

- **3.** Public Hearing start time 7:44 p.m. Set Tax Rate- No Public Comment End Public Hearing 7:45 p.m.
- 4. Approve Setting Tax Rate

Motion by Council member Marilyn Glover Second by Council member Robert Bailey; Motion carried: 3-1 Those in Favor: Craig Folse, Robert Bailey, Marilyn Glover and Mayor John Mark Francis against: Rebecca Crawford, absent Julia Grossman; To Set Tax Rate: 2020 total taxable value \$15,321,018 an increase from \$13,356,935 2019 taxable values. 2019 adopted tax rate \$0.780000/\$100 revenue \$104,184 lowering 2020 tax rate \$0.7054/\$100 revenue \$108,020. City of Deport additional Tax Levey Compared to last year's tax levy of would revenue \$3,836 more.

- 5. Consideration, discussion, and approve 2020-2021 City Budget
  - a. Water Works
  - b. City of Deport
  - C. Sales Tax Rate

Motion by Council member Marilyn Glover Second by Council member Craig Folse; Motion carried: 4-0 Those in Favor: Craig Folse, Rebecca Crawford, Robert Bailey, Marilyn Glover and Mayor John Mark Francis absent Julia Grossman; Approve 2020-2021 City of Deport Budget. Water Works -Revenue-\$223,167.83 Expenditures- \$223,167.83. City of Deport General Fund. Revenue-\$360,584.00 Expenditures- \$360,584.00 Total City of Deport 2020-2021 Budget \$583,751.83 Approved Balance Budget

Sales Tax- no change. 7.75%

6. Consideration, discussion, and approve Resolution to change Public Meeting that is held on every second Thursday of the month to every second Monday of the month

Motion by Council member Rebecca Crawford Second by Council member Robert Bailey; Motion carried: 4-0, Those in Favor: Craig Folse, Rebecca Crawford, Robert Bailey, Marilyn Glover and Mayor John Mark

**Francis absent Julia Grossman; to approve** A Resolution to change Public Meeting that is held on every second Thursday of the month to every second Monday of the month. October 12, 2020, November 9, 2020, December 14, 2020, January 11, 2021, February 8, 2021, March 8, 2021, April 12, 2021, May 10, 2021, June 14, 2021, July 12, 2021, August 9, 2021, September 13, 2021

- 7. Approve Consent Agenda
  - a. Regular August 24th Minutes
  - b. Check Register- July and August
  - **C.** Credit Card
  - d. Bank Reconciliation
  - e. Tax Collection
  - f. Budget Amendments

Motion by Council member Craig Folse Second by Council member Rebecca Crawford; Motion carried: 4-0, Those in Favor: Craig Folse, Rebecca Crawford, Robert Bailey, Marilyn Glover and Mayor John Mark Francis absent Julia Grossman; to approve Regular August 24<sup>th</sup> Minutes, Check register for July and August, Bank Reconciliation, Tax collection and Budget Amendments. 7. C credit card account was pulled from the consent items.

- 8. Consideration, discussion, and approve Interlocal Agreement with Lamar County Election
  - a. Polling locations
  - b. Early Voting

### To table until October 12<sup>th</sup> meeting.

- 9. Consideration, discussion, and approve Interlocal Agreement with Red River County Election
  - a. Polling locations
  - b. Early Voting

## Motion by Rebecca Crawford Second by Craig Folse Motion carried: 4-0 to table until October 12<sup>th</sup> meeting.

- 10. Monthly Maintenance August Work Orders
- 11. Mayor Report -

### No Executive Session

- 12. Executive Session- Discussion and Convene in executive session under Texas Government Code 551.074- Discussion and/or action involving the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; Sec. 551.071. Consultation with Attorney: Sec 552.104 Competitive Bidding; Sec. 551.076 Security Devices
- 13. Consideration, discussion, and possible action from Items pulled from Consent agenda.

Motion by Council member Rebecca Crawford Second by Council member Craig Folse; Motion carried: 4-0 Those in Favor: Craig Folse, Rebecca Crawford, Robert Bailey, Marilyn Glover and Mayor John Mark Francis absent Julia Grossman; to approve 7.c Credit Card statement for August. Discuss charges made for Adobe Acrobat

#### 14. Adjourn at 8:15 p.m.

Motion by Council member Rebecca Crawford Second by Council member Robert Bailey; Motion carried: 4-0: Those in Favor: Craig Folse, Rebecca Crawford, Robert Bailey, Marilyn Glover and Mayor John Mark Francis absent Julia Grossman.

John Mark Francis, Mayor

Interim City Secretary -Lisa Martin