

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF RUNNELS §
CITY OF BALLINGER §

On the 21st day of September, 2023, the Ballinger City Council meet in regular session at 7:10 p.m., in the Council Chamber of City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

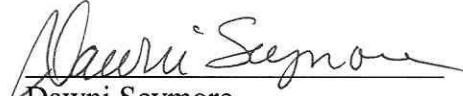
Dawni Seymore	Mayor
Richard "Rick" Morrish	Mayor Pro-Tem
Ken Manley	Councilmember Place #1
Ryan Lange	Councilmember Place #3
Steve Gray	Councilmember Place #4

Staff Present:

Blaine Ross	City Secretary/Interim City Manager
Sharon Hicks	City Attorney
Cord Bowman	Public Works Director
Ray Cornutt	Chief of Police
Doug Martella via Video	Financial Advisor

1. **Call meeting to Order:** Mayor Seymore called the meeting to order at 7:14 p.m.
2. **Prayer and Pledges:** Councilmember Lange gave the invocation and lead the pledges.
3. **Budget Workshop:**
 - a. Discussion, consideration regarding
 - i. The FY 2023-2024 Budget; and
 - ii. The 2023 Property Tax Rate of \$0.552052 per \$100. Doug Martella presented the 2023-2024 Budget and the 2023 Property Tax Rate. Several citizens expressed concern over the proposed tax rate.
 - iii. REMOVE FROM TABLE-Water Rates and Garbage Rates. Tabled until September 28th, 2023.
4. **Executive Session:** Council Adjourned into Executive Session at 9:34 p.m. pursuant to Texas Government Code.
 - a. **Section 551.071 Consultation with the City Attorney.**
 - b. **Section 551.072 Deliberations about Real Property.**
 - c. **Section 551.074 Personnel Matters.**
5. **Reconvene and take Action if needed from Executive Session:** The City Council reconvened in open session at 9:30 p.m. Mayor stated no votes or action were taken.

6. **Adjourn:** Councilmember Manley made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Lange seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:34 p.m.


Dawni Seymore
Mayor

ATTEST:


Blaine A. Ross
City Secretary