

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

On the 6th day of November 2023, the Ballinger City Council meet in regular session at 5:30 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
Ryan Lange	Councilmember Place #3
Steve Gray	Councilmember Place #4

Absent:

Ken Manley	Councilmember Place #1
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Staff Present:

Randy Everett	Interim City Manager
Blaine Ross	City Secretary
Lindsey Gayoso	Assistant City Secretary
Sharon Hicks	City Attorney
Cord Bowman	Public Works Director
Ray Cornutt	Chief of Police
David Brem	Water Treatment Plant

- 1. Call meeting to Order:** Mayor Seymore called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
- 2. Prayer and Pledges:** Councilmember Morrish gave the invocation and lead the pledges.
- 3. Citizen Presentations for Items not on the Agenda:** None
- 4. Public Comment on Agenda Items other than a Public Hearing:** None
- 5. Consent Agenda:**
 - Approve Minutes from the October 16th, 2023 City Council Meeting. Councilmember Lange made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilmember Morrish seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- 6. Regular Agenda Items for Discussion, Consideration and/or Action:**
 - Employee Health Insurance – Change Provider from TML Health to Blue Cross Blue Shield Direct. Councilmember Gray made a motion to approve the change. Councilmember Lange seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
 - Cast votes for the Runnels County Appraisal District Board of Directors. Councilmember Morrish made a motion to split the 372 votes equally between the 6 candidates. Councilmember Lange seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
 - Airport Farm Lease – Joseph Matthiesen addressed the council, requesting to renew the farm lease. Councilmember Lange made a motion to renew the lease. Councilmember Gray seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

- d. Elm Creek Water Control District – Watershed Plan of July 1981. Heath Rhotan, president of the ECWCD presented the facts of the agreement. Councilmember Lange made a motion to table the topic. Councilmember Gray seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- e. Community Center – Deposits and Fees for Non-Profit Organizations. Assistant City Secretary Gayoso presented fees canvassed from other cities in the surrounding area. Councilmember Gray made a motion to table the discussion. Councilmember Lange seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

7. City Manager’s Report:

- a. Police Report of the month of October, 2023. Police Chief Cornutt gave the monthly report.
- b. Public Works Update: Streets, Wastewater, Water Treatment Plant. WTP operator Brem gave the monthly report. Interim city Manager Everett gave the monthly report street department report.

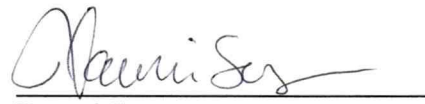
8. Future Agenda Items – Discuss and Consider: None

9. Executive Session: Council Adjourned into Executive Session at 6:16 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.**

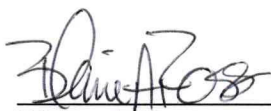
10. Reconvene and take Action if needed from Executive Session: The City Council reconvened in open session at 7:06 p.m. Mayor Seymore stated that no votes or actions were taken.

11. Adjourn: Councilmember Morrish made a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Lange seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:06 p.m.



Dawni Seymore
Mayor

ATTEST:



Blaine A. Ross
City Secretary