

**Minutes
Special Meeting
November 7, 2023**

On this 7th day of November 2023, at 6:02 p.m., the City Council of the City of Devine convened in a Special Meeting, the same being opened to the public, at the Dr. George S. Woods Community Center, 200 E. Hondo Avenue, Devine, Texas 78016. Notice of said meeting having been prescribed in Chapter 551, Government Code, and Vernon's Texas Codes, Annotated, and the following members being present:

Mayor Butch Cook
Alderswoman Debbie Randall
Alderman Josh Ritchey
Alderman Michael Hernandez
Alderswoman Stacy Pyron

Absent being Alderman Rufino Vega, thus constituting a quorum.

Alderswoman Debbie Randall arrived at 6:05 p.m.

Personnel Present: Dora V. Rodriguez, Interim City Administrator/City Secretary; Denise Duffy, City Accountant; Tom Cate, City Attorney; and Pete Sanchez, Director of Public Works.

Others Present: Anton Riecher, Devine News; and David Jordon of San Antonio, Texas.

Mayor Cook, presiding, declared the meeting open.

The first order of business was to discuss and consider Approving an Interlocal Cooperation Contract Between Medina County and the City of Devine.

Council reviewed the Interlocal Cooperation Contract with notes from City Attorney Tom Cate. Discussion was held on \$4,524.80 being the maximum we would be paying the County and that the city cannot indemnify anyone. The council held a lengthy discussion. According to Mayor Cook, on big jobs, we will have to agree on each job as we go. We know that they're going to help us with the Streets and with the Burnt Boot Project and that we'll be providing the materials.

Motion by Alderman Ritchey, seconded by Alderswoman Randall, to approve the Interlocal Cooperation Contract Between Medina County, Texas, and the City of Devine, Texas, as amended by our City Attorney and negotiated by the mayor.

Ayes	--	Four – Aldermen Ritchey, Hernandez, Alderswomen Randall, Pyron
Nays	--	None
Absent	--	One – Alderman Vega

Motion carried.

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The second order of business was an Executive Session Pursuant to the Provision of the Open Meeting Law Texas Government Code.

- §551.074 – Personnel Matters – Consider Employment and Contract for David Jordan.

At 6:16 p.m., Mayor Cook announced that the Council would go into a Closed Session.

At 7:04 p.m., the Closed Session was open to the public.

No action was taken.

The third order of business was to RECONVENE into Regular Session and consider action, if any, on items discussed in Executive Session.

Motion by Alderman Ritchey, seconded by Alderwoman Randall, to accept the contract as written for Mr. David L. Jordan effective November 8, 2023, ending November 7, 2025, for an annual salary of \$120,000, subject to the contract terms.

Ayes	--	Four – Aldermen Ritchey, Hernandez, Alderwomen Randall, Pyron
Nays	--	None
Absent	--	One – Alderman Vega

Motion carried.

Discussion was held after the motion. Mayor Cook said the motion needs to include “along with other stipulations and benefits granted to every employee.”

There being no further business to come before the governing body, a motion was made by Alderman Ritchey, seconded by Alderwoman Pyron, to adjourn the meeting.

Ayes	--	Four – Aldermen Ritchey, Hernandez, Alderwomen Randall, Pyron
Nays	--	None
Absent	--	One – Alderman Vega

Motion carried.

Mayor

City Secretary