

Minutes
Special Meeting
May 14, 2024

On this 14th day of May 2024, at 6:01 p.m., the City Council of the City of Devine convened in a Special Meeting, the same being open 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
Alderman Debbie Randall
Alderman Ray Gonzales
Alderman Josh Ritchey
Alderman Jeff Miller
Alderman Michael Hernandez

Thus, constituting a quorum.

Personnel Present: David L. Jordan, City Administrator; Dora V. Rodriguez, City Secretary; and Tom Cate, City Attorney.

Others Present: Glenda Allen, Election Judge; Coby Pyron, Marissa Gonzales, Sharie Miller, Janie Gonzales, and Dionicio Gonzales, Devine, Texas. Rico Herrera, Delfino Saucedo, Jr., Hap Squires and Dallas Collins, Devine Texas; Rita Carion, Fredericksburg, Texas.

Mayor Butch Cook, presiding, declared the meeting open.

The first order of business was to Canvass Election Returns for the May 4, 2024, General Election for District #1 and District #3.

Election Judge Glenda Allen went over the Canvassing of the Election with the Mayor and the Council.

Motion by Alderman Randall, seconded by Alderman Hernandez to Canvass Election Returns for the Mayor 4, 2024.

Ayes	--	All
Nays	--	None

Motion carried.

The second order of business was the Certificate of Election.

Mayor Cook signed the Certificate of Election for Alderman District #1, Ray Gonzales and for District #3, Jeff Miller.

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The third order of business was to Administer an Oath of Office to the Newly Elected Officers/Appointed Officers.

Mayor Cook administered the Oath of Office to Alderman District #1, Ray Gonzales, and Alderman District #3, Jeff Miller.

At this time, the newly elected Aldermen took their seats.

The fourth order of business was the Presentation of Plaques.

Mayor Cook presented Plaques to Flipper Vega, the exiting Alderman for District #1, and Stacy Pyron, the exiting Alderwoman for District #3.

The fifth order of business was to consider and act upon authorizing Quarterly Newsletters.

Mayor Cook informed the Council that at one time the city was doing Newsletters. He would like the city to do them again. He feels we could use the newsletters to communicate with the citizens more effectively. He mentioned that we have an active Facebook page and are being followed. He advised that it does have a cost, and to mail them out each time, it would be \$900. He feels this newsletter would better inform our citizens of the Brush and bulky pickup.

Motion by Alderman Ritchey and seconded by Alderwoman Randall to approve authorizing for the Quarterly Newsletters and amend the Budget.

Ayes	--	All
Nays	--	None

Motion carried.

The sixth order of business was Executive Session, Pursuant to Section §551.072 of the Texas Government Code, to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.

At 6:17 p.m., the Mayor and Council went into an Executive Session.

At 6:45 p.m., the Mayor and Council reconvened back into Open Session.

The seventh order of business was to Reconvene in Regular Session and Consider Action, if any, on Items discussed in Executive Session.

No action was taken in Executive Session.

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Motion by Alderwoman Randall, seconded by Alderman Hernandez, to authorize the City Administrator to make a counteroffer as discussed in Executive Session.

Ayes	--	All
Nays	--	None

Motion carried.

The eighth order of business was Informational Items.

Alderwoman Randall asked how the new Public Works building was going. City Administrator David Jordan advised that it is set in place, and things are being hooked up and ready for Public Works to move in.

Mayor Cook said the city had a major water leak on 2 12" lines from our Edwards wells on Saturday. One line was repaired late into the night, but the city did not empty the water storage tank. According to David Jordan, the other line will be repaired by Thursday.

City Administrator David Jordan wants to remind everyone that bulk and brush pick-up will begin this Monday, May 20th.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Alderman Hernandez made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Randall, to adjourn the meeting.

Ayes	--	All
Nays	--	None

Motion carried.

Mayor

City Secretary