



MINUTES OF  
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
W.E. HILL COMMUNITY CENTER  
1000 MAIN STREET  
SEALY, TX 77474  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2022  
6:00 P.M.

The City Council of the City of Sealy, Texas, conducted the meeting scheduled for September 22, 2022, 6:00 PM, at the W. E. Hill Community Center located at 1000 Main Street, Sealy Texas, 77474.

**A. Call to Order**

Mayor Bilski called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**B. Invocation and Pledges of Allegiance**

Mayor Bilski led the Pledges of Allegiance and Councilmember Johnson gave the Invocation.

**C. Roll Call and Certification of a Quorum**

**Present:**

Carolyn Bilski	Mayor
Chris Noack	Councilmember, Place 2
Yvonne Johnson	Councilmember, Place 4
Edward Zapalac	Councilmember, Place 5
Adam Burttschell	Councilmember, Place 6 (Joined at 6:38)

**Absent:**

Dee Anne Lerma	Councilmember, Place 1/Mayor Pro Tem
Bradley Miller	Councilmember, Place 3

A quorum was declared present.

**Staff Attending:**

Kimbra Hill, City Manager  
Kimberly Dickey, City Secretary  
Scott Riske, Police Captain  
Russell Grimes, Police Detective  
Steven Kutra, Finance Director  
Ashley Erb, Assistant Finance Director  
Sandra Vrablec, Assistant to the City Manager

**D. Petition(s) and/or Request(s) from the Public. (Public Comment)**

- Larry Kuciemba – Convention and Visitors Bureau

- Tori Fisher - Convention and Visitors Bureau
- Karen Lopez – Convention and Visitors Bureau and Sealy Community Foundation
- Charlie Wade – Sealy Promotions

**E. Public Hearing:** The City Council will hold a public hearing to receive comments concerning the proposed City of Sealy fiscal year 2022-2023 budget.

Mayor Bilski opened the public hearing at 6:11 p.m.

There were no public comments.

Mayor Bilski closed the public hearing at 6:12 p.m.

1. Discussion and possible action to either postpone the vote or approve an **ORDINANCE** adopting the City of Sealy, Texas budget for the fiscal year 2022-2023. (Per the City of Sealy Home Rule Charter, Section 3.12. (1) Procedure to Enact Legislation, and Section 7.02.E. Adoption, only one reading is required for final passage of this ordinance. A record vote will be taken.)

No action. (Item approved on September 21, 2022)

2. Discussion and possible action to ratify the proposed property tax increase reflected in the budget.

No action. (Item approved on September 21, 2022)

3. Consideration and possible action to approve the Interest and Sinking (I&S), or debt service, component of the 2022 property tax rate.

Motion made by Councilmember Zapalac to approve the Interest and Sinking (I&S) at the rate of \$0.159563 per \$100 value. Motion seconded by Councilmember Noack.

AYES: Bilski, Noack, Johnson, Zapalac, Burttschell  
NOES: None

The motion carried.

4. Consideration and possible action to approve the Maintenance and Operations (M&O) component of the 2022 property tax rate.

Motion made by Councilmember Zapalac to approve the Maintenance and Operations (M&O) component of the 2022 property tax rate of \$0.192627 per \$100 value. Motion seconded by Councilmember Noack.

AYES: Bilski, Noack, Johnson, Zapalac, Burttschell  
NOES: None

The motion carried.

5. Discussion and possible action to approve an ORDINANCE providing for the assessment, levy, and collection of ad valorem tax of the City of Sealy, Texas, for the year 2022.

(Per the City of Sealy Home Rule Charter, Section 3.12. (1) Procedure to Enact Legislation, and Section 7.02.E. Adoption, only one reading is required for final passage of this ordinance. A record vote will be taken.)

Motion was made by Councilmember Zapalac:

I move that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.352190 per \$100 value, which is effectively a 46.42 percent increase in the tax rate.

Motion seconded by Councilmember Burttschell.

Roll Call Vote below:

Mayor Bilski: AYE

Councilmember Noack: AYE

Councilmember Johnson: AYE

Councilmember Zapalac: AYE

Councilmember Burttschell: AYE

NOES: None

The motion carried.

6. Discussion and possible action regarding Hot Funds award amounts.

Presentation by Ashley Erb on HOT Funds.

Motion was made by Councilmember Johnson moved to award Hotel Occupancy Tax funds to Sealy Convention and Visitors Bureau **2022-2023 Budget** in the amount of \$70,000.00. Councilmember Noack seconded the motion. Mayor Bilski called for the vote:

AYES: Noack, Johnson, Zapalac, Burttschell

NOES: None

Abstain: Bilski

The motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Noack moved to award Hotel Occupancy Tax funds to Sealy Area Historical Society **Ghost Tour 2022** in the amount of \$500.00 on a reimbursement basis. Councilmember Johnson seconded the motion. Mayor Bilski called for the vote:

AYES: Bilski, Lerma, Noack, Johnson, Zapalac, Burttschell

NOES: None

The motion carried.



Motion was made by Councilmember Johnson moved to award Hotel Occupancy Tax funds to Sealy Community Foundation **Fantasy of Lights** in the amount of \$7,000.00 on a reimbursement basis. Councilmember Noack seconded the motion. Mayor Bilski called for the vote:

AYES: Bilski, Noack, Johnson, Zapalac, Burttschell

NOES: None

The motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Noack moved to award Hotel Occupancy Tax funds to Sealy Area Historical Society **Spring Fest** in the amount of \$4,000.00 on a reimbursement basis. Councilmember Burttschell seconded the motion. Mayor Bilski called for the vote:

AYES: Bilski, Noack, Johnson, Zapalac, Burttschell

NOES: None

The motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Zapalac moved to award Hotel Occupancy Tax funds to Sealy Main Street **BOTA 2023** in the amount of \$19,574.00 on a reimbursement basis. Councilmember Noack seconded the motion. Mayor Bilski called for the vote:

AYES: Bilski, Noack, Johnson, Zapalac, Burttschell

NOES: None

The motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Johnson moved to award Hotel Occupancy Tax funds to Sealy Community Foundation **Sealybration 2023** in the amount of \$25,000.00 on a reimbursement basis. Councilmember Noack seconded the motion. Mayor Bilski called for the vote:

AYES: Bilski, Noack, Johnson, Zapalac, Burttschell

NOES: None

The motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Johnson moved to award Hotel Occupancy Tax funds to Sealy Area Historical Society **Museum Improvements** in the amount of \$4,246.00 on a reimbursement basis. Councilmember Noack seconded the motion. Mayor Bilski called for the vote:

AYES: Bilski, Noack, Johnson, Zapalac, Burttschell

NOES: None

The motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Noack moved to award Hotel Occupancy Tax funds to City of Sealy **Liedertafel Improvements** in the amount of \$6,925.00 on a reimbursement basis. Councilmember Johnson seconded the motion. Mayor Bilski called for the vote:

AYES: Bilski, Noack, Johnson, Zapalac, Burttschell  
NOES: None

The motion carried.

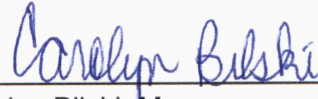
7. Adjourn

Motion was made by Councilmember Burttschell to Adjourn. Motion seconded by Councilmember Johnson. Mayor Bilski called for the vote.

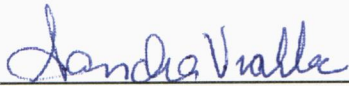
AYES: Bilski, Noack, Johnson, Zapalac, Burttschell  
NOES: None

The motion carried. Meeting Adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this October 4, 2022.



Carolyn Bilski, Mayor



~~Kimberly A. Dickey~~, City Secretary

Sandra Vrablee