

City of Thrall
Special Called
City Council Meeting
104 South Main Street
Thrall, Texas 76578
October 19, 2023
at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

THRALL CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Troy Marx-Present
Commissioner Anja Martin-Present
Commissioner Clay L. Karch-Absent(Excused)

1. CALL TO ORDER and DECLARE A QUORUM at 7:07 p.m.

- 1.1. Roll Call
- 1.2. Pledge of Allegiance

2. WELCOME VISITORS AND VISITOR COMMENTS (Orange Sign In Card)

This time is reserved for input to the Thrall City Council on items not listed on the agenda. Any items presented to the Thrall City Council are considered informational only and **may result** in placement on a future agenda for discussion and consideration. During this time the Thrall City Council may hear your concerns but **may not** respond to any comments and will defer to City Staff. Those wishing to speak during this time must complete an Orange Sign In Card and present to the City Secretary prior to the beginning of the meeting. All visitors will observe a three-minute time limit.

2.1. Remarks of Visitors-No public comment.

Mayor Marx informed the City Council that we would be acting on the consent agenda items then proceed to agenda item Executive Session due to having the Water Attorney and City Engineer present.

3. CONSENT AGENDA ITEM(S)

The Consent Agenda items listed below are considered to be routine by the Thrall City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless requested by the Mayor and/or Commissioner, in which event, the item(s) will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered as a Regular Agenda item(s).

- 3.1. Consideration and possible action regarding the approval of the minutes for the Public Hearing & Special Called City Council Meeting on September 7, 2023.
- 3.2. Consideration and possible action regarding the July 2023 financials.

Commissioner Martin made a motion to approve the consent agenda items as read by the mayor with a second by Mayor Marx. Motion carried: 2-0

4. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

(Green Sign In Card)

This time is reserved for the public to speak to the Thrall City Council after the **regular agenda item** has been announced for consideration. Those wishing to speak must complete a **Green Sign In Card** and present the card to the City Secretary **prior** to the beginning of the meeting. All visitors will observe a three-minute time limit.

- 4.1. Consideration and possible action regarding **Ordinance No. 2023-10-1** of the city of Thrall, Texas, amending a fee schedule for the payment of all fees, costs and expenses for the development of property in the city; fees, costs and expenses shall be paid to the city according to the schedule adopted under this ordinance for all development fees which shall include subdivision development fees, permit fees, building fees, inspection fees and the fees set forth in this ordinance; providing for reimbursement to the city for any third party service cost which the city is required to obtain when the city determines the third party service is reasonable or necessary to provide any service set forth in this ordinance or regarding development within the city; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; providing a penalty of fine not to exceed the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each offense, except where a different penalty has been established by state law for such offense, or for any violation of any provision which governs public health or sanitation which shall be punished by penalty of fine not to exceed the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00); and providing for publication.

Commissioner Martin made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2023-10-1 as presented with a second by Mayor Marx. Motion carried: 2-0.

- 4.2. Consideration and possible action regarding no parking signs along Bounds Street.

Discussion only, City Council directed staff and the City Attorney to bring a No Parking ordinance to the next meeting for action.

- 4.3. Consideration and possible action on a proposed sewer treatment facility to be located 1.8 miles West of Bounds Street in Thrall.

Discussion only, no action taken.

- 4.4. Consideration and possible action regarding Christmas activities in the city.

Discussion only, City Council directed staff to set "Christmas in the Park" for tentatively December 3, 2023 from 5-7 p.m.

4.5. Consideration and possible action regarding the Employee Appreciation Dinner.

Discussion only, City Council directed staff to set the dinner for tentatively December 5 at 6:00 p.m at Masfajitas.

4.6. Consideration and possible action regarding Employee Appreciation pay.

Commissioner Martin made a motion to approve the Employee Appreciation Pay for 2023 with a second by Mayor Marx. Motion carried 2-0.

5. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Thrall City Council adjourned from its regular session and convened into Closed/Executive Session at 7:08 p.m., to discuss the following Item(s), pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter:

5.1. Discussion regarding a water contract with the City of Taylor. 551.071 [*Litigation and certain consultation with attorney*]

6. FINAL ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEM(S)

Thrall City Council reconvened into its regular session at 8:25 p.m. to consider and possible action on the following Item(s):

6.1. Consideration and possible action regarding a water contract with the City of Taylor. 551.071 [*Litigation and certain consultation with attorney*]

Mayor Marx made a motion to authorize Ben Matthews, our Water Attorney, to begin the negotiations with Taylor for the renewal of our contract for water with them with the guidelines we presented to him with a second by Commissioner Martin. Motion carried: 2-0.

Mayor Marx moved to agenda item 4.3 to discuss with the Water Attorney and City Engineer as well then proceeded to the regular agenda order.

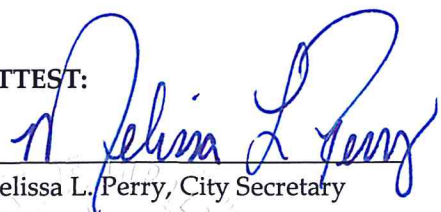
7. ADJOURNMENT at 8:56 p.m.

PASSED and APPROVED on this the 14 day of November, 2023.

CITY OF THRALL


Troy Marx, Mayor

ATTEST:


Melissa L. Perry, City Secretary

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