



**MINUTES
WATAUGA CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBER,
7105 WHITLEY ROAD
MONDAY, AUGUST 28, 2023
6:30 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Arthur L. Miner called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The meeting convened with the following members present:

Arthur L. Miner
Jan Hill
Pat Shelbourne
Tom Snyder
Lovie Downey
Andrew Neal
Malissa Minucci
Mark Taylor

Mayor
Mayor Pro Tem/Council Member Place 7
Council Member Place 1
Council Member Place 2
Council Member Place 3
Council Member Place 4
Council Member Place 5
Council Member Place 6

And

Joshua Jones
Linda Proskey
David Berman
Lisa Benavidez
Sandra Gibson
Kimberly Rupkalvis

City Manager
City Secretary
City Attorney
Assistant to the City Secretary
Finance Director
Financial Services Analyst

INVOCATION

Paster Dennis Hester of First Baptist Watauga gave the lead invocation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Neal mentioned with the cooler weather approaching a way to keep warm would be to adopt a furball animal from the Animal shelter.

Councilmember Hill mentioned checking out the Parks and Library Facebook pages for the new events added so you don't miss out on them. Events include the movies in the park and special events at the library for kids.

Mayor Miner mentioned he received a letter from the Mayor of Colleyville thanking the City of Watauga's response to the fire on Danbury Drive in Colleyville on August 7th. He read the letter out loud and mentioned he already forwarded it to the City Manager and Fire Chief. The Mayor congratulated the Police and Fire departments on a major drug bust last week, probably the biggest in Watauga history.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no requests to speak during public comments.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY FOR ACTION ITEMS

No requests for public testimony were received.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Mayor Miner read the following consent addenda items

1. **Consider action on an ordinance approving a negotiated settlement between the Atmos Cities Steering Committee ("ACSC") and Atmos Energy Corp., Mid-Tex Division regarding the Company's 2023 Rate Review Mechanism filing; declaring existing rates to be unreasonable; adopting tariffs that reflect rate adjustments consistent with the negotiated settlement; finding the rates to be set by the attached settlement tariffs to be just and reasonable and in the public interest; approving an attached exhibit establishing a benchmark for pensions and retiree medical benefits; requiring the company to reimburse ACSC's reasonable ratemaking expenses; determining that this ordinance was passed in accordance with the requirements of the Texas Open Meetings Act; adopting a savings clause; declaring an effective date; and requiring delivery of this ordinance to the Company and the ACSC's Legal Counsel {CAPTION}**
2. **Consideration of Voting Member and Alternate Member reappointment/appointment to the City of Fort Worth Water and Wastewater Wholesale Customer Advisory Committee**
3. **Consider action on a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Watauga, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute on behalf of the City an Interlocal Agreement for vehicle maintenance services by and between the City of Watauga, Texas, and the City of Lake Worth, Texas; providing for repeal; providing for severability; and providing for an effective date**

4. Consider action to approve the Watauga Economic Development Staffing Reimbursement Agreement for Fiscal year 2023-2024
5. Consider action to approve the May 8, 2023 Regular Council meeting minutes
6. Consider reappointment of T.J. Crabill to the Civil Service Commission
7. Consider the reappointment of Stan Hill, Place 1, and Glenn Knight, Place 2 on the Board of Appeals
8. Consider the reappointment of Jillian Giles, Place 3; Cristy Blackburn, Place 5; and Sharon Gehle, Place 7 to the Planning and Zoning Commission.
9. Consider the reappointment of Jarred Hobbs, Place 1, and Roy Stults Place 3 to the Zoning Board of Adjustment.
10. Consider the appointments of Jillian Giles, Place 1; Chrisy Blackburn, Place 3; Lindsey Neal, Place 4; Art Miner, Place 5; Robert Minucci, Place 6 and Kip Woodruff, Place 7 to the Charter Review Commission.
11. Consider the reappointment of Lindsey Neal, Place 1; Whitney Isbell, Place 5; Kip Woodruff, Place 7; and the appointment of Sian Brannon, Place 3 to the Library Board.
12. Consider the reappointment of Stan Hill Place 1 and Kim Irving Place 3 to the Parks Advisory Board
13. Consider the reappointment of Art Miner, Place 1; Jan Hill, Place 3; Macy Forrester, Place 7 to the WEDC

Mayor Miner called for a Motion. Mayor Pro Tem Hill made a motion to accept the item as presented. Mayor Pro Tem Downey seconded the motion. Mayor Miner called for a vote.

Motion carried 7-0-0-0.

Ayes, Shelbourne, Snyder, Downey, Neal, Minucci, Taylor, Hill

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS / ACTION

Mayor Miner switched around the items hearing item 2 first and item 1 second.

1. Public Hearing and action on the FY2023-2024 Proposed Watauga Economic Development Budget (was item 2 on the agenda)

Mayor Miner opened the public hearing at 6:43 pm

No request from the public to speak

Mayor Miner Closed the public hearing at 6:43

Mayor Miner asked Sandra Gibson, Director of Finance, if there were any changes to what was presented to Council earlier. Since there were not, he asked the Council if there were any questions. Hearing none, he called for a motion.

Mayor Pro Tem Hill made a motion to approve the WEDC budget as presented. Mayor Councilmember Snyder seconded the motion. Mayor Miner called for a vote.

Motion carried 7-0-0-0.

Ayes, Shelbourne, Snyder, Downey, Neal, Minucci, Taylor, Hill

Nays: None

Abstain: None

|Absent: None

**2. Public Hearing and action on the FY2023-2024 Proposed Budget
Sandra Gibson, Director of Finance**

Public Hearing was opened at 6:46

There were no requests to speak

Mayor Pro Tem Hill made a motion to take no action on the proposed budget. Councilmember Shelbourne seconded the motion. Mayor Miner called for a vote.

Motion carried 7-0-0-0.

Ayes, Shelbourne, Snyder, Downey, Neal, Minucci, Taylor, Hill

Nays: None

Abstain: None

|Absent: None

ACTION ITEMS

None

ITEMS OF EXECUTIVE SESSION DELIBERATION

There were no Items for future agendas.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Miner adjourned the meeting at 6:48 pm

Approved: this 9 day of Oct, 2023

Signed: this 9 day of Oct, 2023

APPROVED:

[Redacted Signature]

Arthur L. Miner, Mayor

ATTEST:

[Redacted Signature]

Linda Proskey, City Secretary

