



**MINUTES
WATAUGA CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBER,
7105 WHITLEY ROAD,
MAY 13, 2024
6:30 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Arthur Miner called the meeting to order at 6:30 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 (Absent with notice)
Council Member Place 3
Council Member Place 4
Council Member Place 5
Council Member Place 6

and

Sandra Gibson
Linda Proskey
David Berman
Timothy Hamilton
Deby Woodard
Paul Hackleman
Randy Richards
Jeannette Garcia

Interim City Manager and Finance Director
City Secretary
City Attorney
Director of Parks and Community Services
Assistant Finance Director
Public Works Director
Assistant Public Works Director
Planner I

INVOCATION

Pastor Lynn Nichols of Northside Nazarene Church gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Miner led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Neal announced that the Watauga Fest is May 17- 19 and asked people to go by the animal shelter and adopt a pet. He also congratulated the Mayor on winning the Mayor's Cup golf tournament.

Councilmember Hill announced that the cats also need adopting at the animal shelter.

Mayor Miner said that Watauga won the Haltom City Mayor's cup for the 2nd time. He also announced a Gone but Not Forgotten Veteran Tommy Anderson who passed.

PRESENTATIONS

1. **Presentation from Joe Don Bobbit, Executive Director & Chief Appraiser, Tarrant Appraisal District.**

He discussed the ransomware attack and the steps to recover and become more secure. He reviewed the new strategic goals, the estimated net taxes they will receive, and the process for protesting appraisals.

2. **Presentation of Employee of the Month Award for the month of May.**

Sandra Gibson, Interim City Manager and Finance Director, presented Guadalupe Calvillo with the Employee of the Month award.

3. **Presentation of Service Awards for the City of Watauga Employees celebrating a Milestone Anniversary during the month of May.**

Sandra Gibson, Interim City Manager and Finance Director, presented the service award to Justin Morris for 15 years of service.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No requests for public testimony were received.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY FOR ACTION ITEMS

No requests for public testimony were received.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. **Consider action to ratify and confirm the City Manager's appointment of Randy Barkley to Fire Chief (was consent item 2 Mayor Miner moved to consent Item 1 to for ceremonial purposes).**

Mayor Miner called for a Motion. Mayor Pro Tem made a motion to accept the appointment as presented. Councilmember Minucci seconded the motion. Mayor Miner called for a vote.

Motion carried 6-0-0-0.

Ayes, Shelbourne, Downey, Neal, Minucci, Taylor, Hill
Nays: None

Abstain: None
Absent: Snyder

2. Consider approval of the minutes from the April 8, 2023, Workshop and Regular City Council Meetings.
3. Consider action to approve the Monthly Financial Report for the period ending March 31, 2024.
4. Consideration and approval of the Quarterly Investment Report for the period ending March 31, 2024.
5. Consider action to approve renewal of the audit services agreement with Weaver & Tidwell LLP.
6. Consider action on an ordinance of the City of Watauga, Texas, amending Chapter 105 and Chapter 113 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Watauga, Texas; amending the design criteria for Stormwater Construction; providing for repeal; providing for severability; and providing an effective date.
7. Consider the appointment of Darlene Chavious to Place 5 on the Parks Advisory Board and to Place 5 on the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Mayor Miner called for a Motion. Councilmember Shelbourne made a motion to accept the consent agenda as presented. Councilmember Neal seconded the motion. Mayor Miner called for a vote.

Motion carried 6-0-0-0.

Ayes, Shelbourne, Downey, Neal, Minucci, Taylor, Hill
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Snyder

PULIC HEARINGS

1. Public Hearing on Proposed Fee Schedule Changes.

Sandra Gibson, Interim City Manager and Finance Director, presented the item. She stated that there was a workshop on April 8, 2024, and went over all the changes and gave a brief on the proposed changes.

Mayor Miner opened the public hearing at 7:10 pm.

There was no request to speak.

Mayor Miner closed the public hearing at 7:11 pm.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Consider action on an ordinance of the City of Watauga, Texas, amending Chapter 12 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Watauga, Texas; amending various rates and fees in Sections 12-2, 12-4, 12-6, 12-10, 12-22, 12-30, 12-42, 12-101, 12-103, 12-111, 12-113, and 12-115 of Chapter 12; providing a repealing

clause; providing a savings clause, providing for severability; and providing an effective date.

Councilmember Shelbourne made a motion to approve as presented.
Councilmember Taylor seconded the motion. Mayor Miner called for a vote.

Motion carried 6-0-0-0.

Ayes, Shelbourne, Downey, Neal, Minucci, Taylor, Hill
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Snyder

2. Discuss and consider action to appoint a Mayor Pro Tem per the City of Watauga Home Rule Charter, Section 3.06 (f)

Councilmember Taylor made a nomination for Councilmember Minucci to be Mayor Pro Tem. Mayor Pro Tem Hill seconded the motion. Mayor Miner called for a vote.

Motion carried 6-0-0-0.

Ayes, Shelbourne, Downey, Neal, Minucci, Taylor, Hill
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Snyder

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

Councilmember Taylor wants to see a workshop on short-term rental property.
Councilmember Downey seconded the request.

ADJOURNMENT

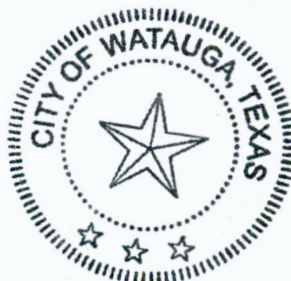
Mayor Miner adjourned the meeting at 7:17 pm.

Approved: this 10 day of June, 2024

Signed: this 20 day of June, 2024

ATTEST:

Linda Proskey /s/
Linda Proskey, City Secretary



APPROVED:

Arthur L. Miner /s/

Arthur L. Miner, Mayor