

**CITY OF ROCKSPRINGS, TEXAS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
September 12TH, 2016**

1. CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum of the City Council Members present, Mayor Pauline Gonzales called the **Regular Meeting** of The City of Rocksprings to order at 6:08 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 12th 2016 at City Hall, 100 West Austin Street, Rocksprings, Texas.

2. ROLL CALL

Present:

Mayor	Pauline Gonzales
Council Member	Christina Reyes
Council Member	Paula Gallegos
Council Member	Melinda Ortiz
Council Member	Christine DeDe Chapa

Staff Present:

Romana Bienek
Daniel Garcia

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Christine Chapa.

4. PUBLIC FORUM:

Cynthia Leal rescheduled to July meeting did not show
Air Vac Masa Medical Transport Solutions. Speaker Will Winters.

5. EMERENGY MANAGEMENT UPDATE : Mr. John Elliot

Mr. Elliot not present and no report given.

6. REPORT FROM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR-DANIEL GARCIA:

Public Works Director Garcia reported

7. FINANCIAL REPORT-CITY SECRETARY ROMANA R BIENEK

Romana R. Bienek reported on 7 new accounts opened this month. The financial reports for the month August 2016 were discussed. All receipts will be collected for the month of September and paid ahead of Due dates to be able to close out the fiscal year in time. Questions from council were answered and discussed.

8. DELIBERATE, CONSIDER AND/OR TAKE ACTION ON ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

- A. Discuss Any Changes to Personnel Policies as required by City of Rocksprings Manual on Personnel Policies. We will be adding to our policy a state law required add on to the reference to women being allowed to breast feed in the employment to read as: Sec. 165.002. RIGHT TO BREAST-FEED. A mother is entitled to breast-feed her baby in any location in which the mother is authorized to be.
- B. Discuss/Approve Naming City Secretary as Investment Officer for the City.
Romana Bienek advised the council that it is already approved as investment officer, we just have to update the new date with no changes to policy. Paula Gallegos makes a Motion to approve Romana R Bienek as investment officer for the City of Rocksprings. Seconded by Dee Dee Chapa, all approved.
- C. Discuss/ Approve draft Investment Policy (by Kassahn & Ortiz).
Paula Gallegos makes a motion to table this item. To be approved next month from the original Policy instead of from the draft copy. Seconded by Melinda Ortiz, all in favor.
- D. Discuss/Approve Appointment of Officer to Calculate 2016 Tax Rate for City of Rocksprings, Edwards County. To include Action Items listed.
1. Action Item: To appoint the Edwards County Tax Assessor/Collector as the officer to calculate the tax rate for City of Rocksprings.
 2. Action Item: To Approve only the required Veterans Exemptions.
 3. To follow the decision of the City relating to the early payment discount on 2016 property taxes.
Motion to Approve Appointment of Officer to Calculate 2016 Tax Rate for City of Rocksprings, Edwards County. Seconded by Christina Reyes, All in favor.
Motion to approve on Action Item #1. Made by Christine Dee Dee Chapa to accept Seconded by Paula Gallegos, All in favor. Motion to approve Action Item #
- E. Discuss/Approve New Tax Rate for the City of Rocksprings.
Romana R Bienek explained to council about tax rate work sheet received from both Tax Collector and from Appraisal Office. After discussion the City Tax rate was Approved 0.5195 Motion by Christina Reyes Seconded by Paula Gallegos, all in favor.
- F. Discuss/Approve New Budget for 2016-2017 Fiscal Year.
After discussion on how to approve budget from hearing in order to be approved by council. Because we would have to have a Special meeting and time is limited for council to meet. Budget can be approved by allowing the amendments and adjustments made during the Public Hearing an hour before the Regular meeting. In the October meeting it can be reviewed for accuracy and Final discussion. Christina Reyes made a motion to approve the 2016-2017 budgets with the amendments and adjustments made in earlier hearing. Seconded by Melinda Ortiz. All in favor.

Ordinance and needed approval in order to continue with the scheduled Town Meeting and time to be able to make booklets for residence. Christine DeeDee Chapa made a motion to approve new Ordinance. Seconded by Christina Reyes. All in favor.

- I. Discuss/Approve Declaring Junked Vehicles To Be A Public Nuisance Ordinance 2016:0712 to replace Ordinance 2013:1 and 2014:1

After discussion about the Ordinance not having enough detailed information this item was tabled Motion made by Christina Reyes Seconded by Christine DeeDee Chapa. All in favor.

MEETING ADJOURNED : 7:27 pm



Pauline Gonzales, Mayor

ATTEST:


Romana R Bienek, City Secretary