

**MINUTES OF THE
TOWN COUNCIL
May 25, 2011**

ITEM 1 CALL TO ORDER

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

ITEM 2 ROLL CALL

Those present were Council Member Ashman, Council Member Crider, Council Member Rouse, Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman and Mayor Vardell.

ITEM 3 INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Council Member Rouse led the invocation and the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

ITEM 4 OPEN FORUM FOR CITIZEN INPUT

Gary Morris, Director of Public Works spoke and thanked Mayor Jeff Vardell and Councilman Shawn Wilkinson for being there for all of their employees and for doing a great job and Mayor and Councilman. Mr. Morris noted the following projects that were completed on their watch:

No tax increases above the effective rate

New fine screen at the Wastewater Treatment Plant

New 12" waterline on 156

New 10" waterline

Increase in the General Fund Balance of over \$400,000

New #6 water well

New #7 water well

New elevated tank

All Public Works equipment paid off

Meadow and Madison streets reconstructed

TXDot drainage and expansion

Denton County Interlocal Agreements to pay for Eddies Street and George Owens

Ponder ISD \$16 million bond project

Dean Brittan, Ponder resident spoke and stated that he felt that Jeff Vardell did a good job as the Mayor of Ponder. He stated that he and Mayor Vardell go back a long way and wanted to say thank you for being a good person.

ITEM 5 CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE 11-05, CANVASSING OF THE MAY 14, 2011 ELECTION RESULTS.

Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman moved to approve Ordinance 11-05. Motion seconded by Council Member Crider. Ayes: Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman, Council Member Crider, Council Member Rouse and Council Member Ashman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

ITEM 6 SWEAR IN OF NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS.

Sheri Clearman, City Secretary swore in Scott McCarty as the Mayor and Karen Finley as Council Member Place 2.

ITEM 7 CONSIDER AND ACT ON ADOPTING RESOLUTION 11-06 PARK MASTER PLAN.

Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman moved to table this item. Motion seconded by Council Member Crider. Ayes: Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman, Council Member Crider, Council Member Rouse, Council Member Finley and Council Member Ashman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

ITEM 8 CONSIDER AND ACT ON REPLACEMENT OF AIR CONDITIONER UNITS IN TOWN HALL AND IN THE LIBRARY.

No action taken on this item.

ITEM 9 ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON THE NEXT AGENDA.

- Park Master Plan
- Remington Park Gas Wells
- Elevated Tank update
- Eddies Street Additional Funding
- Schedule Workshop

ITEM 10 ADJOURN.

Council Member Ashman moved to adjourn at 6:25 p.m. Motion seconded by Council Member Crider. Ayes: Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman, Council Member Crider, Council Member Rouse, Council Member Finley and Council Member Ashman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

APPROVED:

Scott McCarty, Mayor

Date

ATTEST:

Sheri N. Clearman, City Secretary