

**MINUTES OF THE
TOWN COUNCIL
September 19, 2013**

REGULAR SESSION

ITEM 1 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor John Bassler called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ITEM 2 ROLL CALL

Those present were Council Member Howard, Council Member Crider, Council Member Cockburn, Council Member Lynch, Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman and Mayor Bassler.

ITEM 3 INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

Mayor Bassler led both.

ITEM 4 CONSENT AGENDA

Council Member Crider moved to approve the August 8, 2013 minutes. Motion seconded by Council Member Howard. Ayes: Council Member Crider, Council Member Howard, Council Member Lynch, Council Member Cockburn and Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

ITEM 5 PUBLIC HEARING ON A PROPOSAL TO INCREASE TOTAL TAX REVENUES FROM PROPERTIES ON THE TAX ROLL IN THE PRECEDING TAX YEAR BY 6.375549 PERCENT.

Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman moved to open the public hearing. Motion seconded by Council Member Crider. Ayes: Council Member Crider, Council Member Howard, Council Member Lynch, Council Member Cockburn and Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

Mayor Bassler asked if there was anyone present to speak for or against the item with no response.

Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman moved to close the public hearing. Motion seconded by Council Member Crider. Ayes: Council Member Crider, Council Member Howard, Council Member Lynch, Council Member Cockburn and Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

ITEM 6 CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVAL OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH DENTON COUNTY REGARDING COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES.

Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman moved to approve the Interlocal Agreement with Denton County regarding Communication Services. Motion seconded by Council Member Howard. Ayes: Council Member Crider, Council Member Howard, Council Member Lynch, Council Member Cockburn and Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

ITEM 7 CONSIDER AND ACT ON RENEWAL OF A CONTRACT FOR ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES WITH BRIAN HALL.

Council Member Crider moved to renew the contract with Brian Hall for Animal Control Services. Motion seconded by Council Member Lynch. Ayes: Council Member Crider, Council Member Howard, Council Member Lynch, Council Member Cockburn and Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

ITEM 8 PRESENTATION BY PROGRESSIVE WASTE RELATIVE TO CURBSIDE RECYCLING.

Norm Bulaich reported to the Town Council that Progressive Waste is offering curbside recycling to the Town for a fee of \$2.25 per customer for bi-weekly pick-up and \$3.50 per customer for weekly pick-up. The fee includes a large blue container. Mr. Bulaich stated that if the Town of Ponder opts in to the curbside recycling, every customer will be required to pay the fee whether they use the service or not. Progressive Waste has agreed to pay for a survey to see how many citizens would be interested in using the service.

The Town Council directed Sheri Clearman to get the survey out to the citizens of Ponder.

ITEM 9 CONSIDER AND ACT ON ADDING CURBSIDE RECYCLING TO SERVICES OFFERED IN OUR CONTRACT WITH PROGRESSIVE WASTE.

Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman moved to put out a survey to our citizens relative to recycling. Motion seconded by Council Member Cockburn. Ayes: Council Member Crider, Council Member Howard, Council Member Lynch, Council Member Cockburn and Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

ITEM 10 ADJOURN.

Council Member Crider moved to adjourn at 6:30 p.m. Motion seconded by Council Member Lynch. Ayes: Council Member Crider, Council Member Howard, Council Member Lynch, Council Member Cockburn and Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

APPROVED:

John Bassler, Mayor

Date

ATTEST:

Sheri N. Clearman, City Secretary