

**MINUTES OF THE
TOWN COUNCIL
APRIL 13, 2020**

ITEM 1 CALL TO ORDER

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

ITEM 2 ROLL CALL

Those present via zoom were Council Member Lynch, Council Member Cockburn, Council Member Bates, Council Member Bates and Mayor Poole.

ITEM 3 INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

Mayor Poole led both.

ITEM 4 OPEN FORUM FOR CITIZEN INPUT

Megan Lamb, a resident of Ponder asked that the Council consider allowing chickens inside the Town limits. She would like some backyard chickens and surveyed 100 people. Approximately 60% of the people surveyed were in favor of having chickens. Ms. Lamb is asking the Council to consider having a maximum of 8 chickens for anything less than an acre.

ITEM 5 CONSENT AGENDA

Council Member Bassler moved to approve the March 9, 2020 Town Council Minutes. Motion seconded by Council Member Bates. Ayes: Council Member Bassler, Council Member Bates, Council Member Cockburn and Council Member Lynch. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

ITEM 6 CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 20-06, POSTPONING THE GENERAL ELECTION FROM MAY 2, 2020 UNTIL NOVEMBER 3, 2020.

Council Member Bates moved to approve Resolution 20-06, postponing the May 2, 2020 General Election until November 3, 2020. Ayes: Council Member Bassler, Council Member Bates, Council Member Cockburn and Council Member Lynch. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

ITEM 7 CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 20-05, EXTENDING THE MAYOR'S DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER.

Council Member Lynch moved to approve Resolution 20-05, extending the Mayor's declaration of local disaster. Motion seconded by Council Member Bates. Ayes: Council Member Bassler, Council Member Bates, Council Member Cockburn and Council Member Lynch. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

ITEM 8 CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVAL OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR EMERGENCY AMBULANCE SERVICES BETWEEN THE TOWN OF PONDER AND THE CITY OF KRUM.

Council Member Bassler moved to approve the interlocal agreement for Emergency Ambulance Services between the Town of Ponder and the City of Krum. Motion seconded by Council Member Bates. Ayes: Council Member Bassler, Council Member Bates, Council Member

Cockburn and Council Member Lynch. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

ITEM 9 CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 20-03, CORPORATE AUTHORIZATION FOR THE BANK OF THE WEST.

Council Member Bates moved to approve Resolution 20-03, Corporate Authorization for the Bank of the West. Motion seconded by Council Member Bassler. Ayes: Council Member Bassler, Council Member Bates, Council Member Cockburn and Council Member Lynch. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

ITEM 10 UPDATE FROM THE MAYOR AND DISCUSSION RELATIVE TO COVID-19 WHERE IT INVOLVES THE TOWN OF PONDER.

Mayor Poole reported that he meets weekly with the County and State Officials regarding COVID-19. He said that the County is second in amount of per capita tests done and that there is still only one case in Ponder. His main concern is the unemployed in Ponder and the state of the North Texas economy. He commends the local businesses and citizens for their compliance during this time.

ITEM 11 ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Chickens
TXDOT

ITEM 12 ADJOURN.

Council Member Bates moved to adjourn at 6:25 pm. Motion seconded by Council Member Lynch. Ayes: Council Member Bassler, Council Member Bates, Council Member Cockburn and Council Member Lynch. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

APPROVED:

Matthew Poole, Mayor

Date

ATTEST:

Sheri N. Clearman, Town Secretary