THE TOWN OF PONDER, TEXAS U.S.A. 102 W BAILEY ST, PONDER, TEXAS 76259 940-479-2396

MINUTES FROM CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 5, 2018

- 1. Call to Order.
 - Mayor John Bassler called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM
- 2. Roll Call.
 - Present were Council Members: Matthew Poole; Ben Crowell, Alan Gorman; Brandi Bates; Mayor John Bassler
- 3. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
- 4. Open Forum for Citizen Input (Please limit to 5 minutes per person and if you wish to speak on a particular agenda item, please list the agenda item next to your name).
 - No one signed up to speak.
- 5. PUBLIC HEARING on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by 11.35 percent.
 - Matthew Poole motioned to open the public hearing on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by 11.35 percent.
 - Ben Crowell seconded the motion.
 - Discussion amongst Council Members regarding a tax increase. Alan Gorman cautioned members to be aware that not raising taxes, while no one likes it, is necessary to afford services the Town provides for the Citizenry, and that if it's not done it could cause major problems down the road for the Town.
 - No one signed up to speak for or against the proposed tax increase.
 - Alan Gorman motioned to close the public hearing.
 - Brandi Bates seconded the motion.
 - Public Hearing closed with 4 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abstentions
- 6. Adjourn.
 - Ben Crowell motioned to adjourn.
 - Matthew Poole seconded the motion.
 - Meeting adjourned at 6:10 PM

APPROVED:

Mayor John Bassler

Date

ATTEST:

Carolyn Farmer Planning & Zoning Director