

**MINUTES OF THE
TOWN COUNCIL
AUGUST 14, 2017**

ITEM 1 CALL TO ORDER

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

ITEM 2 ROLL CALL

Those present were Council Member Poole, Council Member Crowell, Council Member Mann, Council Member Cockburn, Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman and Mayor Bassler.

ITEM 3 INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

Mayor Bassler led both.

ITEM 4 OPEN FORUM

No one signed up to speak.

ITEM 5 CONSENT AGENDA.

Council Member Mann moved to approve the July 10, 2017 minutes, July 2017 Financial Statement and the Library Report. Motion seconded by Council Member Cockburn. Ayes: Council Member Mann, Council Member Cockburn, Council Member Poole, Council Member Crowell 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 THE WASTE CONNECTIONS 2017 RATE ADJUSTMENT. WASTE CONNECTIONS IS THE WASTE COLLECTION CONTRACTOR FOR THE TOWN OF PONDER FORMERLY IESI.

Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman moved to accept and approve the rate adjustment. Motion seconded by Council Member Mann.

Council Member Poole stated that the driver in his neighborhood is terrible and that customer service has little to be desired.

Ayes: Council Member Mann, Council Member Cockburn, Council Member Poole, Council Member Crowell 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 APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT RENEWAL WITH HILLTOP SECURITIES.

Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman moved to renew the contract with Hilltop Securities. Motion seconded by Council Member Mann. Ayes: Council Member Mann, Council Member Cockburn, Council Member Poole, Council Member Crowell and Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

ITEM 8 CONSIDER AND ACT ON THE RENEWAL OF A DEPOSITORY AGREEMENT WITH THE BANK OF THE WEST.

Council Member Poole moved to renew the Depository Agreement with the Bank of the West. Motion seconded by Council Member Mann. Ayes: Council Member Mann, Council Member Cockburn, Council Member Poole, Council Member Crowell and Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

ITEM 9 CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 17-06, APPROVING THE FORM AND AUTHORIZING DISTRIBUTION OF A PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT FOR “TOWN OF PONDER, TEXAS SPECIAL ASSESSMENT REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2017 (PONDER PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1)”.

Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman moved to approve Resolution 17-06, approving the form and authorizing distribution of a preliminary official statement for “Town of Ponder, Texas Special Assessment Revenue Bonds, Series 2017 (Ponder Public Improvement District No. 1)”. Motion seconded by Council Member Mann. Ayes: Council Member Mann, Council Member Cockburn, Council Member Poole, Council Member Crowell and Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

ITEM 10 PRESENTATION FROM BELCHEFF & ASSOCIATES, RELATIVE TO THE TOWN OF PONDER DRAINAGE STUDY.

Mike Anderson with Belcheff & Associates presented the drainage study to the Town Council in Three exhibits (see attached Exhibit 1, Exhibit 2 & Exhibit 3).

ITEM 11 ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Chickens in the Town Limits
Budget review
Tax Rate
Robinson Road Reconstruction

ITEM 12 ADJOURN.

Council Member Crowell moved to adjourn at 6:49 p.m. Motion seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman. Ayes: Council Member Mann, Council Member Cockburn, Council Member Poole, Council Member Crowell 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