

Niederwald City Council
August 6, 2024, Council Meeting Minutes

The following represents the actions taken by the Niederwald City Council in the order they occurred during the City Council meeting.

Mayor Charles Bisson called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Roll was called. Council Members in attendance were:

Diane Shirey
Connie Wood
Jaime Aragon

Ken Perry was absent.
Dawn Bowen was absent.

City Administrator Reynell Smith and City Clerk Zach Cronshey were also in attendance.

A moment of silence was observed.

The City Council meeting was recessed to open the public hearing at 7:03 p.m.

Presentations: Chris Guevara with Norton Rose Fulbright presented an overview of the Covered Wagon Public Improvement District.

Public Comment: Austin Evetts from Green Brick Partners outlined the process that Green Brick will follow.

The Public Hearing was closed, and the City Council meeting was reopened at 7:26 p.m.

Agenda Item 5. Discussion and possible action on approving the 2018 and 2019 financial audits by Donald Allman and issuing payment of the same.

Synopsis: Donald Allman presented the financial audits for 2018 and 2019.

Motion: Council Member Wood made a motion to accept the financial audits and issue payment and this motion was seconded by Council Member Shirey.

Vote:

Diane Shirey - Yes
Jaime Aragon - Yes
Connie Wood - Yes

Motion passed.

Agenda Item 9. Consideration and approval of a resolution of the city council of the city of Niederwald, Texas authorizing and creating covered wagon public improvement district within the corporate limits and extraterritorial jurisdiction of the city of Niederwald, Texas in accordance with chapter 372 of the Texas local government code; authorizing a dissolution agreement; resolving other matters incident and related thereto; and providing an effective date.

Synopsis: The City Council discussed possible issues related to a PID and the process for a dissolution agreement.

Motion: Council Member Wood moved that the city council approves a resolution authorizing and creating the covered wagon public improvement district and authorizing a dissolution agreement and this was seconded by Council Member Shirey.

Vote:

Diane Shirey - Yes
Jaime Aragon - Yes
Connie Wood - Yes

Motion passed.

Agenda Item 10. Consideration and approval of a resolution of the city council of the city of Niederwald, Texas; approving and authorizing the execution of a professional services agreement between the city and the developer of the covered wagon public improvement district; and resolving other matters related thereto.

Synopsis: The Council reviewed the resolution that authorizes the execution of a Professional Services Agreement between the City of Niederwald and the developer of the Covered Wagon Public Improvement District. The resolution also addressed related matters.

Motion: Council Member Wood moved to approve the professional services agreement, and the motion was seconded by Council Member Shirey.

Vote:

Diane Shirey - Yes
Jaime Aragon - Yes
Connie Wood - Yes

Motion passed.

Agenda Item 11. Discussion and possible action regarding a Municipal Services Agreement between the City of Niederwald, Eidom Enterprises II, LLC, and Laura Bertelsen Kilber, for the 97.10 acre tract of land in Hays County requesting annexation.

Synopsis: The Council briefly discussed the Municipal Services Agreement related to the annexation of a 97.10-acre tract of land in Hays County.

Motion: Council Member Wood made a motion to approve the Municipal Services Agreement between the City of Niederwald, Eidom Enterprises II, LLC, and Laura Bertelsen Kilber, for the 97.10-acre tract of land in Hays County requesting annexation, and this motion was seconded by Council Member Shirey.

Vote:

Diane Shirey - Yes
Jaime Aragon - Yes
Connie Wood - Yes

Motion passed.

Agenda Item 12. Discussion and possible action regarding a resolution setting a public hearing on a proposed annexation of the 97.10 acre tract of land in Hays County requesting annexation.

Synopsis: The Mayor and Council reviewed and discussed potential dates for scheduling a public hearing on the proposed annexation.

Motion: Council Member Wood made a motion to set the public hearing for the proposed annexation of the 97.10-acre tract during the meeting on September 3rd. The motion was seconded by Council Member Shirey.

Vote:

Diane Shirey - Yes
Jaime Aragon - Yes
Connie Wood - Yes

Motion passed.

Agenda Item 1. Discussion and possible action on Minutes of July 2, 2024 Meeting.

Synopsis: The Council and Mayor reviewed the minutes from the meeting held on July 2, 2024.

Motion: Council Member Wood made a motion to accept the minutes as presented and this motion was seconded by Council Member Aragon.

Vote:

Diane Shirey - Yes
Jaime Aragon - Yes
Connie Wood - Yes

Motion passed.

Agenda Item 2. Discussion and possible action on Financials for June, 2024.

Synopsis: The City Administrator provided an overview of the expenses and income for June 2024.

Motion: No action taken.

Agenda Item 3. Discussion and possible action on changing the September 3 meeting to September 10, 2024 due to posting requirements for tax rate.

Synopsis: The City Administrator, City Council, and Mayor discussed the importance of the September 3 and September 10, 2024, meeting dates, emphasizing the need to retain both dates to meet posting requirements for the tax rate

Motion: No action taken.

Agenda Item 4. Discussion and possible action on changing the regularly scheduled October meeting from October 1 to October 7 to allow for National Night Out to be held on October 1.

Synopsis: The Council discussed rescheduling the October meeting to October 7, 2024, to allow National Night Out to be held on October 1, 2024.

Motion: Council Member Wood made a motion to reschedule the October 1st meeting to October 7th and this motion was seconded by Council Member Aragon.

Vote:

Diane Shirey - Yes

Jaime Aragon - Yes

Connie Wood - Yes

Motion passed.

Agenda Item 6. Discussion and possible action on donating the old Toro riding mower to the Fire Department.

Synopsis: The Council discussed the proposal to donate the old Toro riding mower to the Fire Department.

Motion: Council Member Wood made a motion to donate the riding mower and this motion was seconded by Council Member Shirey.

Vote:

Diane Shirey - Yes

Jaime Aragon - Yes

Connie Wood - Yes

Motion passed.

Agenda Item 7. Discussion and possible action to approve site development permit on 11301 Camino Real.

Synopsis: The Council discussed the site development permit application for 11301 Camino Real.

Motion: Council Member Wood made a motion to accept the site development permit. This motion was seconded by Council Member Aragon.

Vote:

Diane Shirey - Yes

Jaime Aragon - Yes

Connie Wood - Yes

Motion passed.

Agenda Item 8. Discussion and possible action on ordering the November General Election for office of Mayor and two Council Members.

Synopsis: The Council reviewed the agenda for the November General Election, which includes the election of the Mayor and two Council Member positions. The Council Members whose terms are expiring are Connie Wood and Dawn Bowen.

Motion: Council Member Wood made a motion to order the November General Election. This motion was seconded by Council Member Shirey.

Vote:

Diane Shirey - Yes

Jaime Aragon - Yes

Connie Wood - Yes

Motion passed.

Agenda Item 14. Discussion and possible action on employee evaluation and possible raise/promotion of Zach Cronshey.

Synopsis: The Council reviewed the employee evaluation for Zach Cronshey and discussed a potential raise.

Motion: Council Member Wood made a motion to increase Zach Cronshey's pay to \$21 per hour, and this motion was seconded by Council Member Aragon.

Vote:

Diane Shirey - Yes

Jaime Aragon - Yes

Connie Wood - Yes

Motion passed.

Agenda Item 15. Discussion and possible action on hiring a CPA to handle Quickbooks on a part-time or monthly basis.

Synopsis: The Mayor and Council discussed whether the City needs a CPA or if a bookkeeper would be sufficient for managing the City's accounting needs.

Motion: Council Member Wood made a motion to table this agenda item and this motion was seconded by Council Member Aragon.

Vote:

Diane Shirey - Yes

Jaime Aragon - Yes

Connie Wood - Yes

Motion passed.

Agenda Item 16. Discussion and possible action on paying outstanding bills in excess of City Secretary's authorized limits.

Synopsis: The Council discussed the need to pay outstanding bills that exceed the City Secretary's authorized limits.

Motion: Council Member Shirey made a motion to pay the outstanding bills exceeding the City Secretary's authorized limits. The motion was seconded by Council Member Wood.

Vote:

Diane Shirey - Yes

Jaime Aragon - Yes

Connie Wood - Yes

Motion passed.

Agenda Item 13. Present tax rate to Council.

Synopsis: The recent tax rate was presented to the Council for review.

Motion: No action taken.

Agenda Item 17. Budget Workshop.

Synopsis: The City Council, Mayor, and City Administrator reviewed and adjusted the budget for the 2024-2025 fiscal year.

Motion: No action taken.

Announcements:

Next meeting: August 20, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Attest:

Mayor
City of Niederwald

City Secretary
City of Niederwald