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Special Called City Council Meeting August 18, 2025, 6:00 p.m. Minutes

1. Meeting called to order by Mayor Owens at 6:00pm

Council Members Present: Graham McGruer-Mayor Pro-Tem, Ricky Wiggins, Joyce McGlothlin, Richard

Prater and Cole Ruiz-City Attorney

Absent: Justin Richardson.

City Staff Present: Kent Manton-City Administrator, Pam Combs-City Secretary, Jannie Rodriquez-Water Clerk, and Sergeant Martinez

2. Citizen Presentations

The City Council welcomes public comments at this point on items <u>not</u> specifically listed on the agenda. Speakers must sign up before the meeting begins. Speakers are limited to five (5) minutes each. The Council cannot respond to matters not listed on the agenda until a future meeting.

None

3. Regulation of Cargo/Shipping Containers

Council to discuss, consider, and possibly take action on cargo/shipping containers that are being used as permanent accessory storage buildings; review, interpret, and provide staff with direction on enforcement approaches or possible changes to Chapter 3, Article 6 of the City of Bruceville-Eddy code of ordinances.

The council members discussed about possible using a conditional use permit for cargo containers

Motion made by Richard Prater to table for another meeting, 2nd by Ricky Wiggins, yeas 4, nay 0, absent 1, motion passes.

Another motion made by Graham McGruer that we suspended this ordinance until we can do further review and amended this ordinance to current standards, 2nd by Ricky Wiggins, yeas 4 nay 0, absent 1, motion passes.

Special Called Council Meeting adjourned and Public Hearing in session at 6:24 pm

4. Public Hearing - Budget

Council to hear public comments on the proposed budget for the fiscal year 2025-2026 general, water, sewer, economic development corporation, street maintenance, and hotel occupancy tax funds.

5. Close Public Hearing - Budget

Public Hearing adjourned and Special Called back in session at 6:25 pm



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6. Adoption of the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget

Council to discuss, consider, and possibly take action to adopt ordinance O 8-18-2025-1 adopting the budget for the 2025-2026 general, water, sewer, economic development corporation, street maintenance, and hotel occupancy tax funds.

This budget will raise more revenue from property taxes than last year's budget by an amount of \$32,580, which is a 6.45 percent increase from last year's budget. The property tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year is \$11,491.

Motion by Ricky Wiggins to adopt ordinance O 8-18-2025-1 adopting the budget for the 2025-2026 general, water, sewer, economic development corporation, street maintenance, and hotel occupancy tax funds with the condition that the utility clerk pay be increased to coincide with the pay raise provided for the rest of the public works department that being a 3% Cola and additional \$1.50 per hour raise. 2nd by Richard Prater, yeas 4, nay 0, absent 1, motion passes.

Special Called Council Meeting adjourned and Public Hearing in session at 6:40 pm

7. Public Hearing - Tax Rate

Council to hear public comments on the proposed 2025 tax rate for the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 budget.

8. Close Public Hearing - Tax Rate

Public Hearing adjourned and Special Called back in session at 6:41 pm

9. Adoption of the Proposed Tax Rate for 2025

Council to discuss, consider, and possibly take action to adopt ordinance O 8-18-2025-2 levying ad valorem taxes for the year 2025 (FY 2025-2026) at a rate of \$0.470000 per one hundred dollars (\$100) assessed valuation on all taxable property within the corporate limits of the City of Bruceville-Eddy as of January 1, 2025.

The proposed tax rate would increase total taxes in the City of Bruceville-Eddy by 4.60%. Motion made by Graham McGruer, I move that property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.47 per one hundred dollars (\$100) of valuation, which is effectively a 4.6 percent increase in the tax rate. 2nd by Ricky Wiggins, yeas 4, nay 0, absent 1, motion passes (Ordinance O 8-18-2025-2)

10. Ratification of Property Tax Revenue Increase

Council to discuss, consider, and possibly take action to ratify the property tax revenue increase reflected in the annual budget for fiscal year 2025-2026, beginning October 1, 2025, and ending September 30, 2026.

Motion made by Graham McGruer I move we ratify the property tax revenue increase reflected in the annual budget for fiscal year 2025-2026, beginning October 1, 2025, and ending September 30, 2026, 2nd by Joyce McGlothlin, yeas 4, no 0, absent 1, motion passes.

Special Called Council Meeting adjourned and Executive Session in session at 6:45 pm



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11. Executive Session

A. The City Council Shall Meet in Executive Session to Discuss the Following:

Water Meter Request – 1185 Bruceville Lane (Falls County Road 436)

Texas Government Code Section 551.071 - Consultation with City Attorney - and Section 1.05, Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct. Confer with City Attorney to receive legal advice on the provision of water service for 1185 Bruceville Lane (Falls County Road 436).

B. Reconvene into Open Session

Executive Session adjourned and Special Call Council Meeting in session at 7:53 pm

C. Possible Action on Issues Discussed in Executive Session

No Action taken

12. Adjournment

Motion made by Richard Prater to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 pm, 2nd by Joyce McGlothlin yeas 4, nay 0, absent 1, motion passes

Linda Owens, Mayor

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Pam Combs Secretary

Date



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August 18, 2025 Special Called City Council Meeting-6:00 pm Attendance Sheet

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