



City of Wimberley

221 Stillwater, Wimberley, Texas 78676

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

WIMBERLEY CITY HALL – CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
221 STILLWATER, WIMBERLEY, TEXAS 78676

THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 2024 - 6:00 PM

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER April 18, 2024, at 6:00 PM

Mayor Gina Fulkerson called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. CALL OF ROLL

City Council Members Present:

Gina Fulkerson, Mayor
Rebecca Minnick, Place 1
Chris Sheffield, Place 3
Jim Chiles, Place 4
David Cohen, Place 5

City Staff Present:

Tim Patek, City Administrator
Tammy Heller, City Secretary
Nathan Glaiser, Director of Planning & Public Works
Evan Fry, City Attorney

City Council Members Absent:

Teresa Shell, Place 2

3. INVOCATION

A moment of silence was observed.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/SALUTE TO THE TEXAS FLAG

Mayor Fulkerson led the pledges of allegiance.

5. CITIZENS COMMUNICATIONS

The City Council welcomes comments from citizens at regular meetings. Citizens wishing to speak must sign up prior to the meeting being called to order. We abide by the Texas Open Meetings Act, so council members are allowed only to speak about items posted on the agenda. All other inquiries will be forwarded to staff and may be placed on a future agenda for discussion. Speakers will have one opportunity to speak during the time period, and they must observe the three-minute time limit. After you state your name, staff will start the timer and you have 3 minutes to speak. We will endeavor to ensure that meetings are conducted in a courteous manner, and in an atmosphere free of defamation, intimidation, personal affronts, profanity, or threats of violence.

No citizen comments this evening.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Council Member Chiles, seconded by Council Member Cohen to approve the consent agenda. The motion carried unanimously (4-0).

- 6.1. Consider approval of minutes from the April 4, 2024 Regular City Council Meeting. *(Tammy Heller, City Secretary)*
- 6.2. Consider approval of the March 2024 Revenue and Expenditure Report for the City of Wimberley. *(Tim Patek, City Administrator)*

7. PRESENTATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

- 7.1. Receive an update and consider possible action on the Interlocal Agreement for the Blanco Cypress Watershed Protection Plan. *(Tim Patek, City Administrator)*

Mayor Gina Fulkerson, introduced David Baker, Executive Director of the Watershed Association to provide an update on the Interlocal Agreement for the Blanco Cypress Watershed Protection Plan. Mr. Baker stated the importance of this agreement and that the main objective is to protect our water. This plan has four major aspects, including water quality monitoring, implementing the best management practices, education outreach, and collaborative partnership of all stakeholders. Mr. Baker provided information on the funding sources from each stakeholder group and the cost sharing that will make this plan possible. Mr. Baker distributed a Lower Cypress Creek Dye Trace Study Summary Report to the council members.

Council Member Cohen asked a question concerning water quantity and how we can ensure we have adequate resources in the future. Mr. Baker stated this plan does have a groundwater protection component, so in the long term pumping in the Jacobs Well region must be controlled as a majority of our groundwater comes from this area. We will need to be creative with solutions such as rain water harvesting and re-use. Since this plan will have a water quantity component, we will have to look at alternative sources of water for the future.

Mayor Pro Tem Minnick confirmed the funding requirement of the city and Mr. Baker stated it would be \$20,000 each year, for three years.

Upon completion of discussion, a motion was made by Council Member Chiles, seconded by Council Member Sheffield to approve the Interlocal Agreement for the Blanco Cypress Watershed Protection Plan, as presented. The motion carried unanimously (4-0).

- 7.2. Receive an update from a representative of Frontier Communications regarding plans for expanding Fiber Internet to Residential Customers in the City. *(Tim Patek, City Administrator)*

Tim Patek, City Administrator, introduced David Russell, of Frontier Communications, to provide a presentation regarding the expansion of Fiber Internet to residential customers. Mr. Russell's presentation outlined what fiber is and how it will impact the community and consumer. The need for this upgrade is necessary, and Frontier will be bringing this to our community soon. He explained the steps of the project and stated all required permits would be obtained through the city. He stated residents would receive communication via door hangers and street signage. Mr. Russell explained the construction process and timeline for completion, which is expected by the end of the year.

The City Council posed questions regarding competitiveness with Spectrum, the use of current poles, and if there are reviews on the services of Frontier Fiber Optics. There are residents in the community that do not have these services and there is a need. Upon completion of the discussion, no action was necessary.

8. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

- 8.1.** Consider possible action on Resolution No. 05-2024, authorizing an amendment to the 2023/2024 operating budget (Budget Amendment No. 3), providing for the transfer of funds within the Blue Hole - Unobligated Fund Balance to the Capital Outlay and Improvements Fund Account Number 200-52-6794 and providing an effective date. *(Richard Shaver, Parks Director)*

Tim Patek, City Administrator, stated this is a budget amendment for the recently approved Patsy Glenn Refuge Renovation project.

A motion was made by Council Member Minnick, seconded by Council Member Chiles to approve Resolution No. 05-2024, a budget amendment, as presented. The motion carried unanimously (4-0).

- 8.2.** Discuss and consider possible action of a professional services agreement for a Fire Marshal for the City of Wimberley. *(Nathan Glaiser, Director of Planning and Public Works)*

Nathan Glaiser, Director of Planning and Public Works provided a proposed professional services agreement for a Fire Marshal. These services would be for fire inspections and plan reviews within the city limits for commercial only. Mr. Glaiser introduced Klaus Becker to discuss some of his credentials. He joined the volunteer department after the Memorial Day floods. He worked with the Hays County Fire Marshall and is fully certified in plan reviews, inspections, and investigations.

Upon completion of discussion, a motion was made by Council Member Sheffield, seconded by Council Member Chiles, to approve the professional services agreement with Klaus Becker for purpose of Fire Marshal review, as presented. The motion carried unanimously (4-0).

- 8.3.** Discuss and consider possible action regarding the City of Wimberley's Quarterly Investment Report for the second quarter of Fiscal Year 2024. *(Tim Patek, City Administrator)*

Tim Patek, City Administrator, presented the investment report for the 2nd Quarter of Fiscal Year 2024. Upon completion of the presentation, a motion was made by Council Member Minnick, seconded by Council Member Chiles to accept the quarterly report for the second quarter, as presented. The motion carried unanimously (4-0).

- 8.4.** Receive an update and consider possible action on County Road 1492 Improvements. *(Tim Patek, City Administrator)*

Tim Patek, City Administrator, provided an update to the Council on upcoming CR 1492 improvements. He stated stop signs will be installed on Shade Road and Winn Wood Road soon. Discussions will be continued on further improvements, including the deep ruts that have developed along the curves and additional safety signage. Staff will work with the engineer to look at other possible options for repairing some of the ruts that have been created.

9. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

9.1. Announcements

The following announcements were made:

1. Community Clean Up report from Tim Patek
2. A Board and Commission Appreciation Event is scheduled for next Thursday,
3. The Butterfly Festival is this Saturday.
4. Drug Take Back is scheduled for Saturday 27th
5. Texas Municipal League (TML) Leadership update from Tim Patek

9.2. Future Agenda Items

No items discussed.

10. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Council Member Minnick, seconded by Council Member Sheffield, to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:10 p.m. The motion carried unanimously (4-0).

RECORDED BY:

Tammy Heller, City Secretary

APPROVED BY:

Gina V. Fulkerson, Mayor

