

Austwell City Council Meeting August 29th 2023 Regular Meeting/ Public Hearing.

The City of Austwell City Council met for Regular Meeting and Public Hearing on August 29th 2023 at the Community Center 311 Bay Street @ 6:00 PM. Mayor called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Welcome and Announcements Mayor Biery welcomed everyone. There were no announcements.

Item # 5

Staff Reports

Secretary Jodi Lerma read the financial report. Mayor Biery stated that Noel Snedeker will not need the Wells Fargo accounts again after this year's audit.

Mayor Biery read Rene's Water Operation report.

Letter stating what can and cannot be flushed will be placed in September water bills.

Commissioner Wolfshohl reported that he spoke with Joseph with Ardurra said that GLO Grant is finalizing submission paperwork, and the Army Corp of Engineers is going over the paperwork for the pier project. TCEQ is working on allocating more funds for the pier project cause the cost has gone up.

Item # 6

Tax Rate for FY 23/24

Mayor Biery explained the Tax Rate.

Council Member Ancira made a motion to except the proposed tax rate \$0.1997 per \$100 of value.

Council Member Torres seconded the motion.

All ayes motion passes unanimously.

Item # 7

Budget for FY 23/24

Mayor Biery explained the budget

Council Member Ancira made a motion accept the Budget for the FY 23/24

Council Member Torres seconded the motion.

All ayes motion passes unanimously.

Item # 8

FY 22/23 Audit Noel Snedeker

Council Member Torres made a motion to accept engagement letter from Noel Snedeker.

Council Member Ancira seconded the motion.

All ayes motion passes unanimously.

Item # 9

Oleanders at Sewer Plant

Council Member Ancira made a motion to proceed to purchase the oleanders for the Sewer Plant.

Council Member Torres seconded the motion.

All ayes motion passes unanimously.

Item # 10

3 Grant Closeouts

Mayor Biery explained for the entirety of Hurricane Harvey projects we have two remaining open that we want to try and finish in the month of September and not carry over any of this activity. CBBEP offered the city more money for signage for Beachfront rules and regulations and then that will be closed out this fiscal year.

Item # 11

Austwell -Aransas Coastal Conservation and Community Development Corporation funding request.

Mayor Biery stated that we had talked to Jill and they were not ready to make a presentation at this time.

Council Member Torres made a motion to table Item # 11

Council Member Ancira seconded the motion.

All ayes motion passes unanimously.

Item # 12

Consider demolition order for 506 & 510 Vandenberg Street.

Council Member Ancira made a motion to instruct City Attorney to seek a demolition order from the magistrate in the Justice of the Peace Court for three unsafe portable buildings.

Council Member ^{Torres} seconded the motion.

All ayes motion passes unanimously.

Item # 13

Public Hearing for 509 Vandenberg Street.

Council Member Ancira made a motion to table Item # 13

Council Member Torres seconded the motion.

All ayes motion passes unanimously.

Adjourned: 6:50 PM