



Mayor Jesse Casey  
Alderman Charlie Hunt  
Alderman Brant Cain

Mayor Pro-Temp Gary Lovelace  
Alderman Guy Walker  
Alderwoman Lauren Bresch

The City of Hallsville Council meeting convened in regular session at 6:00 P.M. on Tuesday, January 18, 2022, at City Hall located at 115 West Main Street.

**The following members were present:**

Mayor Jesse Casey  
Alderman Brant Cain  
Alderwoman Lauren Bresch

Mayor Pro-Tem Gary Lovelace  
Alderman Guy Walker

Alderman Charlie Hunt was absent from the meeting.

**City of Hallsville Staff Present:**

City Secretary Laura Welch  
Chief of Police Wesley Freeman

City Administrator Marty Byers

**Other Attendees:**

Jennifer Brice and Wray Boyd were present.

**I. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Mayor Jesse Casey.

**II. Invocation**

The Invocation was led by Mayor Jesse Casey.

**III. Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Jesse Casey.

**IV. Consent Agenda – December 2021**

Mayor Jesse Casey asked to approve the Consent Agenda Items including City Administrator's Report, Police Department Summary for December 2021, the Water Department Summary for

December 2021, the Permit Report for December 2021, and the Monthly Financials for December 2021. City Administrator Marty Byers reported to the Council that the electrician was rewiring the pumps and we are waiting on a crane to lift the catwalk for the chemical tank at the WWTP. Also, we are waiting on the operating manuals from the suppliers along with the chemicals.

Motion was made by Alderman Brant Cain, seconded by Alderman Guy Walker, to approve the December 2021 Consent Agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **V. Items to Be Considered**

1. Consider and act upon approving engineering service provider(s) to complete implementation for the American Rescue Plan Act (ARP Act) funding administered by the U. S. Department of the Treasury, other Federal and State Agencies.

Motion was made by Alderman Guy Walker, seconded by Alderman Brant Cain, to adopt Resolution 2022-01 designating Hayes Engineering be selected to provide application and project-related professional engineering services for water infrastructure projects for the ARP Act program(s) and that KJS2 LLC dba Stephens Engineering to be selected to provide application and project-related professional engineering services for wastewater infrastructure projects for the ARP Act program(s). The motion carried unanimously.

2. Consider and act upon approving the hiring of a Hallsville Fire Marshall.

City Administrator Marty Byers informed the council that the position of Fire Marshall was a 2021-2022 budgeted item. After a brief discussion, motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Gary Lovelace, seconded by Alderwoman Lauren Bresch to approve the hiring of a Hallsville City Fire Marshall. Further, that the Mayor and City Administrator be authorized to accept, interview and hire the individual of their agreed opinion who meets the established qualifications. And, that the Fire Marshall be considered a contract employee and works under the direction of the City Administrator. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Discussion of a possible fireworks ordinance.

The council stated they do not want to band fireworks, but agreed to the possibility of enforcing the limit of times and days for the use of fireworks. The sale of fireworks begins seven days before July 4<sup>th</sup> and New Year's Day. A decision was made to draft an ordinance to be reviewed by the council.

4. Discussion of a possible ordinance regarding itinerant vendors.

After a discussion regarding a farmer's market, mobile food units, door to door sales and food trucks in neighborhoods, the council made the decision to address each in its own ordinance. Drafts for each subject will be drafted and reviewed by the council.

#### **VII. Executive Session**

Executive Session items are discussed in closed session but any and all action is taken in regular open session. Executive Session is not open to the public because there is a compelling need of confidentiality. Executive Session may be called at any time during the meeting and the Council

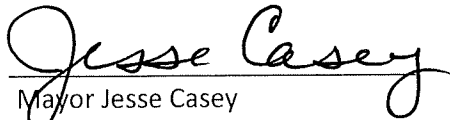
reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session on any of the posted agenda items for the purposes permitted by the Texas Open Meeting Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.001 through Section 551.071, Consultation with Attorney, Section 551.074, Personnel Matters (Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline, Dismissal, Complaint), and/or Section 551.072, Real Estate Transactions.

**XI. Adjournment**


The Council meeting adjourned at 6:35 P.M.

**City of Hallsville**

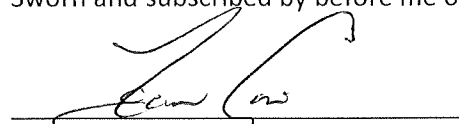
Signed:

  
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Mayor Jesse Casey

Attest:

  
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City Secretary

Sworn and subscribed by before me on the 15th day of February, 2022.

  
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Faron Cain  
Notary Public, State of Texas

