



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 6:05 P.M. on Tuesday, August 20, 2024, at City Hall located at 115 West Main Street. A Board of Adjustment Meeting was held at 6:00 P.M.

The following members were present:

Alderman Charlie Hunt
Alderman Brant Cain

Alderman Guy Walker

Mayor Pro-Tem Gary Lovelace and Alderwoman Lauren Bresch were unable to attend the meeting.

City of Hallsville Staff Present:

City Secretary Laura Welch
Chief of Police Wesley Freeman

City Administrator Marty Byers

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 P.M. by Mayor Jesse Casey.

II. Invocation

The Invocation was led by Alderman Charlie Hunt.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Jesse Casey.

IV. Consent Agenda – July, 2024

Mayor Jesse Casey asked to approve the Consent Agenda Items including City Administrator's Report for July 2024, Police Department Summary for July 2024, Water Department Summary for July, 2024, Fire Marshal's Report for July 2024, Permit Report for July 2024, Monthly Financials for July 2024, and the Minutes of the July 16, 2024 Regular Meeting.

Motion was made by Alderman Brant Cain, seconded by Alderman Charlie Hunt, to approve the July 2024 Consent Agenda Items as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

V. Items to be Considered

1. Discuss, consider and act upon approving the Order of Election and Resolution 2024-03 ordering a regular General Election to be held on November 5, 2024 for the purpose of electing three Alderman-at-Large positions.

A motion was made by Alderman Guy Walker, seconded by Alderman Charlie Hunt, to approve the Order of Election and Resolution 2024-03 ordering a regular General election for the purpose of electing three Alderman-at-Large positions. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Consider and act upon approving Resolution 2024-04 authorizing the Agreement for the Temporary Closure of State Right of Way with the Texas Transportation Commission. This agreement is for a 5 year term and allows the City to temporarily close portions of Highway 80 and FM450 during parade events.

Alderman Guy Walker made a motion, seconded by Alderman Brant Cain, to authorize the Mayor of the City of Hallsville to sign a 5 year Agreement for the Temporary Closure of State Right of Way and Resolution 2024-04. This agreement is made by and between the Texas Department of Transportation and the City of Hallsville. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Discuss, consider and act upon approving Ordinance 2024-02 amending the International Building Code 214.216(f) specifically relating to Storm Shelters.

City Administrator Marty Byers informed the City Council the International Building Code has a requirement that certain new construction of governmental buildings

must have a storm shelter room, of which is very costly. The ESD Board has asked that the City consider amending this code to help defray costs in attempting to construct an additional building attached to the existing fire fire station.

Motion was made by Alderman Charlie Hunt, seconded by Alderman Brant Cain, to amend the International Building Code, Ordinance 2024-02 regarding storm shelters be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Presentation and discussion of the proposed budget for 2024-2025.

A discussion was held regarding the proposed budget for the upcoming fiscal year. Several questions were asked pertaining to the budgeted items by the Council. The Council members were informed if they felt a need to have an item adjusted, to contact the City staff before next month as this budget will be approved for the new upcoming fiscal year.

VI. 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.

VII. Adjournment

Mayor Jesse Casey adjourned the meeting at 6:36 P.M.

City of Hallsville

Signed:

Mayor Jesse Casey

Attest:

City Secretary

Sworn and subscribed by before me on the 18th day of September 2024.

Faron Cain
Notary Public, State of Texas