

**SPECIAL CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING
September 6, 2018**

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OVERTON, TEXAS THAT WAS HELD **SEPTEMBER 6, 2018 AT 7:00 PM** IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 1200 SOUTH COMMERCE, OVERTON, TEXAS.

PRESENT:

C. R. Evans Jr., Mayor
Jerry Clark
Trampas Freeman
David Stone
Michael Paul Williams

ABSENT:

John Posey, Mayor Pro Tem

Also, in attendance were Clyde Carter, Interim City Manager / Police Chief, Wendy Bates, City Comptroller and Rachél Gafford, City Secretary, representing staff. Cecelia Sanders, Beverly Russell, Jean Beth Hamblen, Cathy Hall, Jack Hoover and Doris Hoover representing the public.

A. CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Evans called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

1. *Invocation was given by Councilman Freeman.*
2. *Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag was led by Councilman Williams and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag was led by Mayor Evans.*

B. PROCLAMATIONS / RECOGNITIONS / APPOINTMENTS

1. Council to accept nominations and act regarding three appointments to the Overton Economic Development Corporation Board.

Mayor Evans opened the floor for nominations and then stated that he had received a confirmation that Philip Cox would be willing to serve.

Mayor Evans then nominated Philip Cox. No other nominations were made.

Mayor Evans closed nominations and announced that Philip Cox had been appointed to the OEDC by acclamation.

C. CITIZEN FORUM - None**D. BUSINESS**

1. Hear and discuss presentation regarding FY2017-2018 Budget Amendment.

City Comptroller Bates presented a high-level presentation of the FY2017-18 proposed budget amendment.

Councilman Williams made a motion to discuss.

Councilman Stone seconded the motion.

Motion carried with a vote of 4 – 0, Mayor Pro Tem Posey absent.

Discussion Summary: Council asked questions and City Comptroller Bates responded and explained why the Council will always need to amend the Budget prior to the end of the year.

No action taken

2. Hear and discuss presentation of the FY2018-19 Proposed Budget.

City Comptroller Bates presented a high-level power point presentation of the FY2018-19 proposed budget for the City of Overton noting any adjustments that had been made to the presentation from the previous week's presentation.

No action taken

3. Hear and discuss presentation regarding proposed authorized personnel positions and personnel salary ranges for FY2018-19.

City Comptroller Bates presented a high-level presentation of the proposed authorized personnel positions and personnel salary range chart that would be included in the Budget for FY2018-19.

Councilman Stone made a motion to discuss.

Councilman Freeman seconded the motion.

Motion carried with a vote of 4 – 0, Mayor Pro Tem Posey absent.

Discussion Summary: Council asked questions regarding the Salary Range Compensation Chart and City Comptroller Bates responded and explained why staff was recommending changing from the current Step-Grade Compensation Chart to the proposed Salary Range Compensation Chart to allow Supervisors more flexibility in regards to giving merit raises without having to move a full step which was always a minimum 5% increase.

No action taken

E. PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

• **OPEN PUBLIC HEARING - Mayor Evans opened the Public Hearing at 8:15 p.m.**

1. City Council to hear public comments regarding second reading of Ordinance approving and adopting a budget for the City of Overton, Texas for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2018, and ending September 30, 2019 (2018-2019 Fiscal Year).

Mayor Evans introduced the proposed Ordinance by reading the Ordinance caption.

- a. Staff Report - *City Comptroller Bates presented the proposed Ordinance for Council review.*

City Manager / Chief Carter read the following statement verbally.

This Budget Will Raise More Total Property Taxes Than Last Year's Budget By \$43,161 Which Is 7.83% Of Which \$578.36 Is Tax Revenue To Be Raised From New Property Added To The Tax Roll This Year With The Proposed Tax Rate Of \$0.729700 (\$0.448000 Is M&O And \$0.281700 Is I&S).

- b. Citizen's comments

Jean Beth Hamblen, 702 E. Henderson St., requested an explanation as to how the additional revenue would be spent requesting that the money be spent to maintain the streets, sidewalks and failing infrastructure.

2. City Council to hear public comments regarding second reading of Ordinance levying Ad Valorem Taxes for the Maintenance of the City of Overton Municipal Cemetery for the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year (Tax Year 2018).

Mayor Evans introduced the proposed Ordinance by reading the Ordinance caption.

- a. Staff Report - *City Comptroller Bates presented the proposed Ordinance for Council review.*

City Manager / Chief Carter read the following statement verbally.

The Proposed Tax Rate Of \$0.729700 (\$0.448000 Is M&O And \$0.281700 Is I&S) Will Effectively Be Raised By 7.9595% Percent And Will Raise Taxes On A Home Assessed At \$72,237 By Approximately \$44.58.

- b. Citizen’s comments - *There were no comments made by the public.*

- 3. City Council to hear public comments regarding second reading of Ordinance levying Ad Valorem Taxes for the Maintenance of the City of Overton Municipal Cemetery for the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year (Tax Year 2018).

Mayor Evans introduced the proposed Ordinance by reading the Ordinance caption.

- a. Staff Report - *City Comptroller Bates presented the proposed Ordinance for Council review.*
- b. Citizen’s comments - *There were no comments made by the public.*

- **CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING - Mayor Evans closed the Public Hearing at 8:44 p.m.**

Mayor Evans to read the following statement:

The City Council of the City of Overton will vote on a proposed tax rate for general operation (O & M) and Debt for the 2018 tax year that would increase total tax revenues. The Council will also vote on a proposed tax rate for the Cemetery Maintenance Fund for the 2018 tax year at 7:00 p.m., Thursday, September 13, 2018 in City Council Chambers located at City Hall, 1200 South Commerce Street, Overton, Texas 75684.

F. ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Freeman made a motion to adjourn.


Councilman Williams seconded the motion.

Motion carried with a vote of 4 – 0, Mayor Pro Tem Posey absent.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at **8:45 PM**

Minutes submitted, approved and/or corrected this **13th day of September, 2018.**

CITY OF OVERTON



 C. R. Evans, Jr., MAYOR

ATTEST:


 Rachel Gafford, CITY SECRETARY

