

**SPECIAL CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
JULY 14, 2020**

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OVERTON, TEXAS THAT WAS HELD **JULY 14, 2020 AT 6:30 PM** IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 1200 SOUTH COMMERCE, OVERTON, TEXAS.

<b><u>PRESENT:</u></b>	<b><u>POSITION</u></b>	<b><u>ABSENT:</u></b>	<b><u>POSITION</u></b>
C. R. Evans Jr.	Mayor		
Trampas Freeman ( <i>arrived at 6:42 p.m.</i> )	1		
John Posey (Mayor Pro-Tem)	2		
Jerry Clark	3		
Reggie Thompson	4		
Michael Paul Williams	5		

Staff in attendance were Clyde Carter, Interim City Manager/Police Chief, Sherry Roberts, Finance Director, Wendy Bates, Financial Consultant, and Rachél Gafford, City Secretary. Guest in attendance was Steve Mindt, R.E.H.S.

**A. CALL TO ORDER - Mayor Evans called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.**

1. *Invocation was given by Mayor Evans*
2. *Pledge of Allegiances were led by Councilmember Williams*

**B. MAYORAL PROCLAMATION / RECOGNITION / APPOINTMENTS** - None

**C. PUBLIC FORUM** – None

**D. BUSINESS**

1. Hear and discuss presentation from Steve Mindt, R.E.H.S (retired from TCEQ and TRWA) regarding a recent Water Rate Study that was conducted and prepared in June 2020 for the City of Overton.

*Steve Mindt presented the results of the recent Water Rate Study conducted for the City of Overton stating that with current Water Rates, he has calculated that the City is losing approximately \$59,943 annually. This means that the City's operational expenses for just the Water Utility Department are exceeding current revenues which does not allow the City to build any reserves to handle replacement or decently maintain infrastructure or be prepared for emergencies. Mr. Mindt proposed three (3) water rate options for the Council to consider based on setting a base rate for access to the system without any gallons included in the base rate fee. The base rate and usage fee rates that were proposed varied based on how much of the fixed/variable cost should be included in the base rate or usage rate.*

***City Council had a brief question answer session with the presenter.***

2. Council to discuss and take action to direct staff regarding proposed water rate changes resulting from Water Rate Study conducted June 2020 for the City of Overton.

*Mayor Pro Tem Posey made a for staff to utilize the 50/50 Proposed Water Rate from the presentation (being a \$30 base rate with a \$2.50 per 1,000 gallons used from 0 to 2,000 gallons, a \$3.00 per 1,000 gallons used from 2,001 to 4000 gallons, and a \$4.00 per 1,000 gallons used from 4,001 and up) for budget calculation purposes.*

*Councilmember Williams seconded the motion*

*Motion carried 5 – 0.*

3. Presentation of revised FY 2021 Budget Calendar

*City Secretary Gafford presented the revised calendar to Council for review.*

*No action taken.*

#### **E. ADJOURNMENT**

*Councilman Clark made a motion to adjourn.*

*Mayor Pro Tem Posey seconded the motion.*

*Motion carried 5 – 0.*

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Minutes submitted, approved and/or corrected this 13<sup>th</sup> day of August 2020.



CITY OF OVERTON

*C. R. Evans, Jr.*  
C. R. Evans, Jr., MAYOR

ATTEST:

*Rachael Gafford*  
Rachael Gafford, TRMC, CITY SECRETARY

