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City Council Meeting Minutes

The City Council of Annetta met in a regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, December 16, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. in the Annetta Town Hall at 450 Thunder Head Lane to consider the following agenda:

- I. **Call to order.** Mayor Sandy Roberts called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance/Invocation of Prayer.** Eagle Scout, Shyanne Story, led the pledge and Council Member Danny Coffman gave the invocation.
- III. **Roll call/Quorum check.** A quorum check revealed that Mayor Roberts and Council Members Danny Coffman, Kent Stasey, Jim Causey and Bruce Pinckard were all present. Council Member Shane Mudge was absent. Also present was Jamee Long, City Secretary.
- IV. **Public Comments:** Citizen, Kristi Turner, requested that animal control be addressed by City Council in January 2022.
- V. **Consent Items: Reports from City Staff and Commission or Committees:**
 - a. Consider the approval of Minutes from the Regular City Council Meeting on November 18, 2021.
 - b. Public Works Report.
 - c. Financial Report.

Council Member Danny Coffman moved to accept all consent items as written, Council Member Jim Causey seconded the motion, with all aye. Motion passed unanimously.

- VI. **New Business:**
 - a. **Introduction of Glenn Rogers, Texas House of Representative.** Mayor Roberts introduced Mr. Rogers. He stated that he is a state representative for House District 60. Mr. Rogers discussed redistricting and the rapid growth of Texas. He also discussed the Bills he was instrumental in passing. Mr. Rogers stated that he is also a member of the Transportation Committee. Council Member Coffman asked Mr. Rogers if anything is being done regarding the "train situation." Mr. Rogers stated that trains are getting longer due to supply chain backlogs. He stated that the railroad is regulated federally but there have been

discussions with Union Pacific to work on a solution. Council Member Stasey thanked Mr. Rogers for his work in the legislature and for being an advocate for “rural Texas.”

- b. **Recognition of Shyanne Story, Eagle Scout.** Mayor Roberts introduced Shyanne Story and read a letter that she presented to Shyanne at her Eagle Scout ceremony. Ms. Story is the first female Eagle Scout in Parker County. Mayor Roberts thanked her for her accomplishments and for being a role model to young women. She also stated that Shyanne’s brother, Houston, is also an Eagle Scout and thanked him making the flag drop box at Town Hall. Council Member Coffman and Stasey also thanked Houston for joining the Air Force and for his future service to our country.
- c. **Presentation:** Presentation by George, Morgan and Sneed, P.C. regarding annual audit report. Daniel Hungerford with George, Morgan and Sneed, P.C. presented a summary of the audit report. Council Member Stasey asked if there is a requirement to spend the CLFR funds. Mr. Hunderford stated that there is no requirement to spend the funds. He also stated that if more than \$700,000 of the funds are spent within one fiscal year, a separate audit would be required of the fund. Council Member Stasey thanked the staff, Council and Finance Committee for a “clean audit.” Council Member Stasey stated that the Town’s rating has increased from A+ to AA- and he appreciates the Council and Mayor for addressing the economic issues of the Town and for being good stewards of the Town’s finances. He stated that this has been reported to the proper rating agencies. Council Member Stasey stated we will request SAMCO to attend a future meeting to discuss the Town’s bonds. He also discussed the increase in sales tax revenue to the General Fund. Council Member Pinckard thanked the staff for their hard work on the audit. He also discussed the increased asset of the Panther Creek water plant that did not cost the “rate payers a penny.”
- d. **Discussion and Action:** Consider authorizing the Mayor to execute a letter of engagement with Jake Weber for the Town’s financial reconciliations and payroll. Council Member Pinckard moved to approve and authorize the Mayor to execute a letter of engagement with Jake Weber for the Town’s financial reconciliations and payroll, Council Member Coffman seconded the motion, with all aye. Motion passed unanimously.
- e. **Discussion and Action:** Consider a resolution calling for the May 7, 2022 General Election for Council Places 1, 2 and 4, and street maintenance sales tax reauthorization Special Election. Council Member Pinckard moved to approve the resolution calling for the May 7, 2022 General Election for Council Places 1, 2 and 4, and street maintenance sales tax reauthorization Special Election, Council Member Coffman seconded the motion. Council Member Pinckard moved to amend his motion to add to reauthorize the sales tax for 10 years, Council Member Coffman seconded the motion, with all aye. Citizen, Al Gloer, asked what the sales tax is used for. Council Member Causey stated that the tax is used for street maintenance and repairs. Council Member Pinckard stated that this will not raise taxes but insures this money goes to the Town of Annetta instead of another jurisdiction. Motion passed unanimously.
- f. **Discussion and Action:** Consider authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract with Parker County Elections Office for the May 7, 2022 General Election and street maintenance sales tax reauthorization Special Election. Council Member Pinckard moved to authorize the Mayor to execute a contract with Parker County Elections Office for the May 7, 2022 General Election and street maintenance sales tax reauthorization Special Election, Council Member Coffman seconded the motion, with all aye. Motion passed unanimously.
- g. **Discussion and Action:** Consider scheduling a Community Clean-Up and Beautification Day. Council Member Pinckard moved to schedule a Community Clean-Up and Beautification Day for February 26, 2022

from 9:00 a.m. until noon, Council Member Causey seconded the motion, with all aye. Motion passed unanimously.

- h. **Discussion and Action:** Discussion and action regarding the Ground Water Treatment Plant Operator and Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator positions. Mayor Roberts stated that we are still in discussions and offers with candidates so there is no action on this item.

VII. Old Business:

- i. **Discussion and Action:** Consider a Water Tower Lease Agreement with Skybeam, LLC d/b/a Rise Broadband. Council Member Stasey stated that a new tenant has requested lease space on the Town's water tower. He stated that this will add another \$6,000 annually to the Town's Enterprise Fund. Council Member Pinckard discussed the modifications to the agreement to be in line with the other vendors and is in line with surrounding cities. He also stated that due to the number of citizens working from home and remote learning, this will be a "win – win" for the citizens of Annetta. Council Member Pinckard moved to approve a Water Tower Lease Agreement with Skybeam, LLC d/b/a Rise Broadband, Council Member Coffman seconded the motion, with all aye. Motion passed unanimously.

VIII. Executive Session:

The City Council reserves the right to meet in Executive Session at any time during this meeting pursuant to the below cited section of the Texas Government Code:

PURSUANT TO § 551.074 – Deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee.

- Discussion regarding Groundwater Treatment Plant Operator and Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator positions.

Executive Session began at 7:46 p.m. and ended at 7:55 p.m.

- IX. **Items of Community Interest.** Mayor Roberts asked for prayers for Jamee Long's family due to the loss of her aunt. Mayor Roberts congratulated the school district on their recent award. The Mayor also discussed the recent email notification that customers are receiving when their water bill has been posted. Jamee Long, City Secretary, stated that the number of late bills has decreased and this Incode update was at no cost to the Town or customers. Council Member Pinckard applauded staff for continuing to improve customer service. Mayor Roberts reminded everyone to submit their photo for the Holiday Contest. The Mayor also stated that the Town has a new sign at the entry to Town Hall. Mayor Roberts wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

- X. **Adjournment:** With no further business before the council, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:06 p.m.

These minutes were approved on the 20th day of January, 2022.



Jamee Long, City Secretary





Sandy Roberts, Mayor