

**FAIRVIEW TOWN COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 26, 2024**

The Town Council met in special session on August 26, 2024 at 5:00 PM at 372 Town Place, Fairview, Texas.

Council present: Mayor Henry Lessner and Mayor Pro Tem John Hubbard, and Council members Rich Connelly, Gregg Custer, Larry Little, and Ken Logsdon.

Council absent: Council member Ricardo Doi.

Staff present: Town Manager, Julie Couch; Assistant Town Manager Adam Wilbourn; Town Attorney, Clark McCoy; Police Chief, Chris Chandler; CFO Steven Ventura; Communications and Marketing Manager, Karin Anderson; Public Works Manager, Aron Holmgren; and Town Secretary, Joshua Stevenson.

1. Call to Order

Mayor Lessner called the meeting to order at 5:00 and declared a quorum was present.

There were no members of the public present when the meeting was called to order.

2. Pledge of Allegiance: U.S. and Texas Flags

Mayor Lessner invited everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas State Pledge.

3. Citizen's Comment (for Non-Public Hearing Items)

Mayor Lessner called for Citizen's Comments.

There were none when called for.

4. Action/Discussion Items

- a. Consider, discuss, and take any necessary action on an ordinance regarding the proposed 2024-25 ad valorem tax rate

Mayor Lessner called for item 4(a).

Mr. Ventura spoke regarding this item. He reviewed the ordinance that would set the tax rate at \$0.31028.

The Council and staff had discussion regarding this item.

Council passed the motion by Mayor Pro Tem Hubbard, seconded by Council member Logsdon, to approve an ordinance fixing and levying the proposed 2024-25 ad valorem tax rate in a vote of Yes 6, No 0.

- b. Consider, discuss, and take any necessary action on an ordinance approving the proposed 2024-25 fiscal year budget

Mayor Lessner called for item 4(b).

Mr. Ventura spoke regarding this item.

The Council and staff had discussion regarding this item.

Council member Logsdon motion to approve the ordinance approving the proposed 2024-25 fiscal year budget, seconded by Council member Custer.

This motion required a roll call vote. The results is as follows:

Mayor Henry Lessner – Aye
Council member Rich Connelly – Aye
Council member Gregg Custer – Aye
Council member Larry Little – Aye
Council member Ken Logsdon – Aye
Mayor Pro Tem John Hubbard – Aye
Council member Ricardo Doi – Absent

Council passed the motion by Council member Logsdon, seconded by Council member Custer, to approve an ordinance approving the proposed 2024-25 fiscal year budget in a vote of Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0.

- c. Consider, discuss, and take any necessary action on an ordinance ratifying the 2024-25 property tax revenue increase

Mayor Lessner called for item 4(c)

Mr. Ventura spoke regarding this item and reviewed the ordinance required by state law to ratify the tax rate.

The Council and staff had discussion regarding this item.

Council passed the motion by Council member Connelly, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hubbard, to approve an ordinance ratifying the 2024-25 property tax revenue increase in a vote of Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0.

- d. Consider, discuss, and take any necessary action on an ordinance amending the 2023-24 fiscal year budget

Mayor Lessner called for item 4(d).

Mr. Ventura spoke regarding this item.

The Council and staff had discussion regarding this item. There were several questions regarding the amended budget.

Council Passed the motion by Mayor Lessner, seconded by Council member Logsdon, to approve an ordinance amending the 2023-24 fiscal year budget in a vote of Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0.

- e. Consider, discuss, and take any necessary action on an ordinance approving a rate increase related to solid waste services

Mayor Lessner called for item 4(e).

Mr. Ventura spoke regarding this item. He reviewed that the increase was due to the provisions in the solid waste contract for an annual increase of 3.5%.

The Council and staff had discussion regarding this item.

Council passed the motion by Council member Connelly, seconded by Council member Custer, to approve an ordinance approving a rate increase related to solid waste services in a vote of Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0.

- f. Consider, discuss, and take any necessary action on the 2024 Water Conservation Plan

Mayor Lessner called for item 4(f).

Ms. Couch and Mr. Holmgren spoke regarding this item. There was a review of the proposed ordinance for the water conservation plan and discussion on the draft drought contingency plan included in the ordinance.

The Council and staff had discussion regarding this item.

Council passed the motion by Council member Connelly, seconded by Council member Logsdon, to approve an ordinance adopting the 2024 Water Conservation Plan in a vote of Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0.

5. Council and Staff Comments

Mayor Lessner called for Council and Staff Comments.

Mayor Lessner spoke regarding Rotary Club.

6. Closed Session

Mayor Lessner called for the executive session agenda and recessed into

executive session at 5:20 PM.

In accordance with Texas Government Code:

- a. **A. Section 551.071 – to consult with legal counsel** regarding pending or contemplated litigation and/or on matters in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with Chapter 551 of the Government Code including CPDD development improvements, ordinances, agreements and financing; contracts for services; town property and infrastructure; administrative matters; drainage matters; town regulations; religious land use; transportation matters; state law review and compliance.

B. Section 551.072 - discuss or deliberate the purchase, exchange, sale, lease, or value of real property, acquisition of right-of-way, easements, or land.

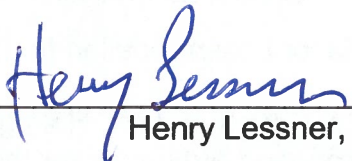
Mayor reconvened from executive session at 6:00 PM and reopened the meeting.

7. Adjourn


Mayor Lessner adjourned the meeting at 6:00 PM.

These minutes were approved by the Town Council on September 3, 2024.

APPROVED:


Henry Lessner, Mayor

ATTEST:


Joshua Stevenson, Town Secretary
Town of Fairview, Texas