

## **MINUTES FOR THE 15th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2020**

Be it remembered that on Tuesday, September 15, 2020 the Groesbeck City Council met in Regular Session at 6:00 p.m. at the Groesbeck Council Chambers with the Honorable Mayor Ray O'Docharty presiding and with, Kim Harris, Warren Anglin, Mike Thompson, Tamikia Jackson, Matthew Dawley being present and with no one being absent. Staff members present were Chris Henson, Brenda Jackson and Keith Tilley. Tykesha Presley, EDC Director was also in attendance.

A list of visitors is attached to the agenda on file.

Pastor Nathaniel Bedford of Lone Star Baptist Church gave the invocation and the pledge to the United States and Texas Flag was led by the Young Marine Group.

Mayor Ray O'Docharty called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Proper posting of the notice of the meeting was verified and a quorum of members was present.

### **6. Citizen's Comments**

There were no citizen's comments.

### **7. Consent Agenda**

*(Items placed on the Consent Agenda are considered routine in nature and are considered non-controversial. The Consent Agenda can be acted upon in one motion.)*

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| a. Approval of Minutes: | Regular Session         | August 18, 2020 |
|                         | Special Budget Workshop | August 27, 2020 |

- b. Approval of City Holidays for FY 2020-2021

A motion was made by Warren Anglin and seconded by Matthew Dawley to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

### **8. Consider Approval to Accept Annual Budget for Economic Development for FY 2020-2021**

A motion was made by Mike Thompson and seconded by Tamikia Jackson to approve the acceptance of the annual budget for Economic Development for FY 2020-2021. Motion carried unanimously.

### **9. Public Hearing for FY 2020-2021 City Budget**

Mayor O'Dochaerty announced the public hearing opened at 6:10 p.m. and closed at 6:13 pm.

### **10. Consider Approval of Ordinance No. 20-O-03, Adoption of FY 2020-2021 City Budget**

Mayor O'Docharty presented Ordinance No. 20-O-03, Adoption of FY 2020-2021 City Budget to the council for approval.

# **MINUTES FOR THE 15th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2020 CON'T**

## **ORDINANCE NO. 20-O-03**

### **AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF THE CITY OF GROESBECK, TEXAS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OCTOBER 1, 2019 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2020**

**WHEREAS**, Public Notice of a public hearing upon this budget has been duly and legally made as required by law; and

**WHEREAS, FURTHER**, after a full and final consideration, the public hearing has been held upon said budget and it is the consensus of opinion that the budget as filed should be approved. The financial condition and comparative expenditures as filed were duly considered.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED** that the City Council of the City of Groesbeck, Texas, ratify, report, adopt and approve the budget for Fiscal Year October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2020.

**APPROVED:**

**CITY OF GROESBECK**

**By:** s/Ray O'Docharty  
Ray O'Docharty  
Mayor

**ATTEST:**

s/Brenda Jackson  
Brenda Jackson  
City Secretary

A motion was made by Mike Thompson and seconded by Tamikia to approve Ordinance No. 20-O-03. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **11. Consider Approval of Ordinance No. 20-O-04, Adoption of City Tax Rate for 2020**

Mayor O'Docharty presented Ordinance No. 20-O-04, Adoption of City Tax Rate for 2020 to the council for approval.

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GROESBECK, TEXAS LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE USE AND SUPPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF GROESBECK, TEXAS, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2020 AND TERMINATING SEPTEMBER 30, 2020; PROVIDING FOR APPORTIONING EACH LEVY FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES, AND PROVIDING WHEN TAXES SHALL BECOME DUE AND WHEN SAME SHALL BECOME DELINQUENT IF NOT PAID.**

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**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Groesbeck, Texas approved the municipal budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2020 and ending September 30, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary that an ordinance be passed levying an ad valorem tax on all property, both real and personal, within the corporate limits of the City of Groesbeck, Texas in accordance with such budget and the Texas Tax Code;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GROESBECK, TEXAS:**

**SECTION 1.** That there is levied and shall be collected for the use and support of the municipal government of the City of Groesbeck, Texas, for the Fiscal Year 2020-2021, Tax Year 2020, upon all property, real, personal and mixed, within the corporate limits of said City subject to taxation, a tax of \$0.6921 on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) valuation of property, said tax being so levied and apportioned to the specific purposes herein set forth.

- (1) For the maintenance and support of the General Government (General Fund), (\$0.6576) on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) valuation of property.
- (2) For the debt service bonded indebtedness (\$0.0345) on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) valuation of property.

**SECTION 2.** THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE.

**SECTION 3.** There is hereby levied and there shall be collected from every person, firm, association or corporation pursuing an occupation which is taxed by the General Laws of the State of Texas, annual occupation tax equal in each instance to one-half (½) of the State Occupation Tax, which said taxes shall be paid annually in advance except where otherwise provided by the State Laws, in which event, the same may be paid as is provided by the State Law.

**SECTION 4.** All receipts for the City of Groesbeck not specifically apportioned by this Ordinance are hereby made payable to the General Fund of the City of Groesbeck unless specifically authorized for other operational purposes.

**SECTION 5.** All monies collected under this Ordinance for specific items therein named be and the same are hereby appropriated and set apart for the specific purpose indicated in each item and that the City Secretary shall keep these accounts so as to readily and distinctly show the amounts collected, the amounts expended and the amounts on hand at any time belonging to such funds. It is hereby made the duty of every person collecting money for the City of Groesbeck, Texas to deliver to the City Secretary at the time of depositing any monies, a statement showing to what fund such deposit should be made and from what source received.

**SECTION 6.** That taxes levied under this ordinance shall be due October 1, 2020 and if not paid on or before January, 2021 shall immediately become delinquent.

**SECTION 7.** That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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**DULY PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 15<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2020**, by the following motion, "I move for the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.6921/\$100 which is effectively a zero percent increase in the tax rate." Motion was made by Council Member Mike Thompson and seconded by Council Member Warren Anglin to approve this ordinance. Voting for were: Mike Thompson, Warren Anglin, Tamikia Jackson, Matthew Dawley, Kim Harris. Voting against: None. Abstaining: None. Absent: None.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 15th day of September, A.D., 2020.

### APPROVED:

#### CITY OF GROESBECK

By: s/Ray O'Docharty  
Ray O'Docharty  
Mayor

### ATTEST:

s/Brenda Jackson  
Brenda Jackson  
City Secretary

A motion was made by Mike Thompson and seconded by Warren Anglin to approve Ordinance No. 20-O-04. Motion carried unanimously.

### 12. Consider Approval to Accept Proposal for Electric Provider

A motion was made by Matthew Dawley and seconded by Kim Harris to accept a proposal from EMEX for TXU to be the City of Groesbeck electric provider for the next nine years beginning May, 2021 at a rate of \$0.03753 per kWh. Motion carried unanimously.

### 13. Consider Approval to Sell Surplus Equipment

A motion was made by Warren Anglin and seconded by Matthew Dawley to give permission to sell old surplus equipment and deposit returns back into the general fund. Motion carried unanimously.

### 14. Consider Approval to Provide CRF Funding to Groesbeck ISD

A motion was made by Matthew Dawley and seconded by Tamikia Jackson to provide CRF funding to Groesbeck ISD to use for COVID-19 purchases.

**15. Council and City Administrator comments relating to items of public interest: announcements regarding local or regional civic and charitable events, staff recognition, commendation of citizens, traffic issues, upcoming meetings, informational update on city projects, awards, acknowledgement of meeting attendees, birthdays, request of the city administrator for items to be placed on upcoming agendas and condolences**

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Mayor O'Docharty announced that Council Member Mike Thompson will be resigning his place on the council as of tonight after serving since 2016 and was presented a plaque of appreciation.

Chris Henson, City Administrator introduced the Police Department's K9 Java from Canada to the council and gave an update of street maintenance.

### **16. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn was made by Mike Thomson and seconded by Matthew Dawley. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

**APPROVED:**  
**CITY OF GROESBECK**

**BY:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Ray O'Docharty**  
*Mayor*

**ATTEST:**

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**Brenda Jackson**  
*City Secretary*