

MINUTES FOR THE 19th DAY OF JANUARY 2016

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT on Tuesday, January 19, 2016, 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 Bob Zeman, David Hernandez, Matthew Dawley, Arleen Taveras and Kim Harris being present and with no one being absent. Staff members present were Chris Henson, Brenda Jackson, Randall Dodson, Keith Tilley, Vikki Grimes, Jimmy Rincker and Paul Fitte. Tykisha Presley, Director of EDC also attended. A list of visitors is attached to the agenda on file.

Pastor Darron Killingsworth of First United Pentecostal Church gave the invocation and everyone repeated the pledge to the flags in unity.

Mayor 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 comments from the citizens.

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.)

- a. Approval of Minutes: Special Session - December 1, 2015
Regular Session - December 15, 2015

A motion was made by David Hernandez and seconded by Matt Dawley to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Consider Approval of Resolution No. 16-R-01, Ordering City Officers' Election

Mayor O'Docharty presented Resolution No. 16-R-01, Ordering City Officers' Election to the council for approval.

A motion was made by Arleen Taveras and seconded by David Hernandez to approve Resolution No. 16-R-01.

RESOLUTION NO. 16-R-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GROESBECK, LIMESTONE COUNTY, STATE OF TEXAS, ORDERING AN ELECTION FOR CITY OFFICERS OF THE CITY OF GROESBECK, LIMESTONE COUNTY, STATE OF TEXAS FOR THE ELECTION OF A MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS OF THE CITY OF GROESBECK, MAKING PROVISION FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION; SETTING THE HOURS, DATES AND LOCATION OF EARLY VOTING BY PERSONAL

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APPEARANCE AND PROVIDING CERTAIN INFORMATION REGARDING EARLY VOTING BY MAIL.

WHEREAS, Election Code Chapter 3, Section 3.004 requires that the City Council of the City of Groesbeck order an election for City officers to be held on the first Saturday in May 2016 and to provide certain other information relevant to the election as required by Election Code Section 3.005 and Section 3.006; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GROESBECK, LIMESTONE COUNTY, STATE OF TEXAS, THAT:

SECTION 1 The City of Groesbeck City Officers' Election will be held on May 7, 2016 for the purpose of electing a Mayor and three (3) Aldermen (Council Members).

SECTION 2 Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at the Groesbeck Convention Center, 106 East Navasota Street, City of Groesbeck, Texas, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Monday through Friday, April 25, 26, 27, 28,29; and between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday, May 2nd and 3rd , 2016.

SECTION 3 Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

Brenda Jackson
Early Voting Clerk
P. O. Box 227
Groesbeck, Texas 76642-0227

The first day to apply for a mail ballot is March 8, 2016. The first day to mail an early voting ballot is March 23, 2016. The Early Voting clerk must receive applications for ballots by mail no later than the close of business on April 26, 2016.

Duly passed and approved by the City Council of the City of Groesbeck, Limestone County, State of Texas on the 19th day of January, 2016.

APPROVED:

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

ATTEST:

s/Brenda Jackson
Brenda Jackson
City Secretary

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9. Consider Approval of Resolution No. 16-R-02, Appointment of Election Judges and Setting Compensation for Judges and Clerks

Mayor O'Docharty presented Resolution No. 16-R-02, Appointment of Election Judges and Setting Compensation for Judges and Clerks to the council for approval.

A motion was made by David Hernandez and seconded by Matt Dawley to approve Resolution No. 16-R-02. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 16-R-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GROESBECK, LIMESTONE COUNTY, STATE OF TEXAS, APPOINTING THE ELECTION OFFICIALS FOR THE MAY 7, 2016 CITY COUNCIL ELECTION; SETTING THE RATE OF PAY FOR THE ELECTION OFFICIALS, THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF ELECTION CLERKS, AND DESIGNATION OF THE EARLY VOTING BALLOT BOARD.

WHEREAS, on January 19, 2016, the City Council of the City of Groesbeck, Limestone County, State of Texas, ordered an election to be held on Saturday, May 7, 2016, for the purpose of electing one mayor and three (3) members of the City Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GROESBECK, LIMESTONE COUNTY, STATE OF TEXAS, THAT:

SECTION 1 The Election Judges to serve at the polling place of such election shall be and are hereby appointed as follows:

Polling Place: Groesbeck Convention Center

Election Judge: _____ Laurye Allen _____

Alternate Judge: _____ Debra Bell _____

SECTION 2 In accordance with Section 32.091 of the Texas Election Code, the judges and clerks shall be paid at the rate of \$9.00 per hour and the election judge shall receive an additional \$25.00 for delivery of the returns of the election.

SECTION 3 There shall be a minimum of two (2) and a maximum of four (4) clerks at the designated polling place, if needed, which includes the alternate election judge.

SECTION 4 In accordance with Section 87.004 of the Texas Election Code, the presiding election judge at the Groesbeck Convention Center and at least two (2) election clerks shall also serve as the Early Voting Ballot Board to count the ballots received in Early Voting by Personal Appearance and Early Voting by Mail.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Groesbeck, Limestone County, State of Texas, on the 19th day of January, 2016.

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Ray O'Docharty
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ATTEST:

s/Brenda Jackson
Brenda Jackson
City Secretary

10. Consider Approval to Lease Election Equipment from Limestone County for May 7, 2016 City Election

A motion was made by Matt Dawley and seconded by Kim Harris to lease election equipment from Limestone County for the May 7, 2016 City Election. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Consider Approval of Joint Election Agreement with Groesbeck ISD for May 7, 2016 School Election

A motion was made by Kim Harris and seconded by David Hernandez approve the agreement for a joint election with Groesbeck ISD for May 7, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

12. Consider Acceptance of Racial Profiling Report (*Police Chief*)

A motion was made by Arleen Taveras and seconded by Bob Zeman to accept the racial profiling report. Motion carried unanimously.

13. Consider Approval to Take Action on "Texting While Driving" Resolution for February, 2016 Council Meeting (*Jimmy Rincker*)

A motion was made by Bob Zeman and seconded by David Hernandez to research information for possible resolution on "Texting While Driving". Motion carried unanimously.

14. Executive Session – Under TGCS 551.074: Personnel Matters – City Administrator Position

IN: 6:25 p.m.

Out: 7:25 p.m.

15. Consider Action Concerning Personnel

A motion was made by David Hernandez and seconded by Matt Dawley to appoint Police Chief Chris Henson as City Administrator/Police Chief. Motion carried unanimously.

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16. Council and City Administrator Comments Relating to Items of Public Interest: Announcements Regarding Local or Regional Civic and Charitable Evens, 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.

A community meeting on affordable housing is set for February 2, 2016 at the Convention Center.

17. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made by David Hernandez and seconded by Matt Dawley to adjourn the meeting. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

**APPROVED:
CITY OF GROESBECK**

BY: _____
Ray O'Docharty
Mayor

ATTEST:

Brenda Jackson
City Secretary