**CITY OF IVANHOE**

**EMERGENCY MEETING MINUTES**

JUNE 28th 2022

11:00 AM

Mayor Bennett called the meeting to order at 11:00 AM. Quorum established with Council Members Craven Morris & Warren present.

**Agenda item #1 – Consider implementing Burn Ban**

Mayor Bennett informed Council that she attended Tyler County Commissioners Court on Monday and the Court ratified the burn ban order that Judge Blanchette had instituted the preceding week due to ongoing dry weather and high temperatures. The burn ban will remain in effect until sufficient rain is received to allow reasonably safe conditions for outdoor burning and gave the Judge authority to lift the ban. Mayor Bennett said Council could implement a burn ban and specifically exempt Ivanhoe Volunteer Fire Dept. due to the location of the annual fireworks display and fire dept personnel being readily available on site with equipment so the event can take place.

Councilman Warren made the motion to implement a burn ban including fireworks by individual property owners in the city, with the Ivanhoe Fire Dept. excluded in order to allow the Fire Dept. to provide the annual fireworks display and give the Mayor authority to lift the burn ban when conditions improve sufficiently in the city to do so. Councilman Craven submitted the second.

In discussion the question was presented about the consequences of property owners who do shoot off fireworks during the burn ban. Mayor Bennett said according to the law those folks will be issued citations. At whatever point the burn ban is lifted the city will post the information on the various social media sites.

Following the discussion Mayor Bennett called for the vote on the motion to implement a burn ban. All Council voted in favor, and the Mayor declared the burn ban effective immediately.

**Agenda item #2 – Adjourn**

Councilman Craven made the motion to adjourn the emergency meeting. Councilman Warren submitted the second and the meeting was concluded at 11:05 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

C. D. Woodrome, City Secretary

Approved by Council July 28, 2022

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Cathy Bennett, Mayor