

CITY OF SMILEY
COUNCIL FOR SPECIAL SESSION
April 9, 2025
MINUTES

The Smiley City Council met in special session on Wednesday, March 19, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. at the Smiley City Hall located at 207 Steele, Smiley, TX 78159.

Members present were Mayor Lisa Benavidez, Ellis Villasana, Lori Price, Daniel Benavidez, Melva Childress, Diane Moreno, Laura Schroeder and Marshal Torres.

A Quorum was present, and Mayor Lisa Benavidez called the meeting to order.

Invocation given by Melva Childress

The Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. and Texas recited.

Citizen to be Heard:

Lester – Informed the city that he was asked to look for land for the ESD so the building could be moved

Mike Mills – Commented that the insurance would go up if the department moves out of town.

Mr. Culpepper – Informed the city that he donated money to the VFD for the building of current structure and cement pad.

Ray Copeland – Informed the city that he donated all the rock for the building of the current structure and cement pad.

1. No action taken to enter into a land Lease Agreement with ESD.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Smiley City Council may convene into executive (closed) session in accordance with the Texas Government Code when necessary and legally justified. Any item on this agenda may be discussed in executive session if authorized by Texas Law regardless of whether it is listed under “Executive Session” of this agenda, and regardless of any past or current practice of the City Council. Executive Sessions herein are closed meetings, and may include the consideration of any item otherwise listed on the agenda plus any subject matter specified in the executive session notice, and may include items under the Texas Government Code as follows: Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney regarding contemplated or pending litigation, a settlement officer or administrative hearing); Section 551.072 (Deliberations regarding Real Property); Section 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts & Donations); Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters); Section 551.076 (Deliberation about Security Devices); Section 551.086 (Deliberations regarding Municipally Owned Utility); and Section 551.087 (Deliberations regarding Economic Development Negotiation). In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Smiley will provide for reasonable accommodations for persons attending City Council meetings. To better serve attendees, requests should be received 48 hours prior to the meeting. Please contact city secretary by phone at 830-587-6220 or fax 830-587-6231.

2. Out of Regular Session: 9:14 A.M.
Into Executive Session: 9:15 A.M.
Out of Executive Session: 9:23 A.M.
Back into Regular Session: 9:24 A.M.
3. 1st Motion made by Diane Moreno and 2nd by Melva Childress to ADJOURN. All in Favor,
5/0, None Opposed, Motion Passed. Time 9:25 a.m.



Scott Jewett
Smiley City Secretary



Lisa Benavidez
Mayor