

## Nixon City Council Minutes for 8.28.2023 Special Meeting

The Nixon City Council met in Special Session on the 28th day of August 2023 at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall 302 E. Central Ave Nixon, TX 78140.

Members present were Mayor Dorothy Riojas, Justin La Fleur, Maggie Gaytan, Ellie Dominguez, Patsy Scherrer, Melissa Pompa, Harold Rice, Tanya Torres, Jeremy Bustos, Chief Miguel Cantu, Yolanda Messman, Juanita Vigil, Gladyne Finch, Nancy Amaya, Patricia Dingler, Deborah Bustamante and Steve Pompa.

A quorum was declared present, and Madame Mayor Dorothy Riojas called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

Roll call was conducted. All the members were present.

A prayer was given by City Secretary Tanya Torres. And the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America and the State of Texas was recited.

The Public Hearing opened at 5:34 p.m. No citizens spoke during the Public Hearing.

The Public Hearing closed at 5:49 p.m.

During the Citizens to be heard Juanita Vigil spoke about not having proper drainage at the back of her property. She would have to hire someone herself to divert the water. The City of Nixon has no easement to the back of her property.

Deborah Bustamante also spoke during Citizens to be heard regarding thanking the council for considering the special treatment for citizens over the age of 65 and seniors. She also had a concern that came to her attention that Mr. La Fleur and Mr. Rice had been speaking to people stating that whatever happened with his overpaying himself was a clerical error on her part. She is requesting an apology.

Travis Hansen spoke concerning "Veterans Park" and what exactly the direction the council wants them to take regarding the budget. He sought a quote from an architect to ask how much it would cost to engineer the slab with the wall and it would be \$2025.00.

A motion was made by Justin La Fleur and seconded by Maggie Gaytan to approve the implementation of a taxation limitation to be applied to the ad valorem taxes of Seniors Citizens (65 years and older) and disabled persons who have completed proper exemptions with Gonzales County Appraisal district pursuant to section 11.261 of the Texas Tax Code to limit their tax rate to .2644. Motion carried 5-0

A motion was made by Justin La Fleur and seconded by Maggie Gaytan to Adopt the Proposed 2023-2024 Fiscal Year General Fund, Utility Fund, Nixon Fire Department Fund, and the Rate Sheet for the City of Nixon. Motioned carried as follows: Melissa Pompa – yay  
Patsy Scherrer – nay

Ellie Dominguez - nay  
Maggie Gaytan - yay  
Justin La Fleur - yay

A motion was made by Justin La Fleur and seconded by Maggie Gaytan to Adopt Ordinance 0-08-28-23 Adopting a Budget for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 beginning October 1, 2023, and ending September 30, 2024. Appropriating the various revenue and expenditures amounts thereof and repealing all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict therewith providing for an effective date and declaring an Emergency.

Motioned carried as follows: Melissa Pompa - yay  
Patsy Scherrer - nay  
Ellie Dominguez - nay  
Maggie Gaytan - yay  
Justin La Fleur - yay

A motion was made by Justin La Fleur and seconded by Maggie Gaytan to Adopt the Proposed 2023-2024 Tax Rate of .33 per \$100 valuation. Motion carried as follows:

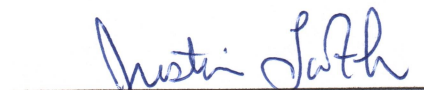
Melissa Pompa - yay  
Patsy Scherrer - nay  
Ellie Dominguez - yay  
Maggie Gaytan - yay  
Justin La Fleur - yay

A motion was made by Maggie Gaytan and seconded by Justin La Fleur to Adopt Ordinance 0-08-28-2023 Texas Levying Property Taxes for Use and Support of the Municipal Government of the City of Nixon, Texas for the Fiscal year beginning October 1, 2023, and ending September 30, 2024, providing for a severability clause, and providing for an effective date. Motion carried as follows:

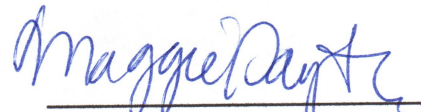
Melissa Pompa - yay  
Patsy Scherrer - nay  
Ellie Dominguez - nay  
Maggie Gaytan - yay  
Justin La Fleur - yay

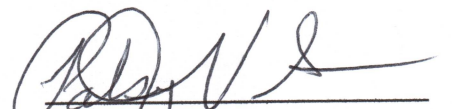
A motion was made by Justin La Fleur and seconded by Maggie Gaytan to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0

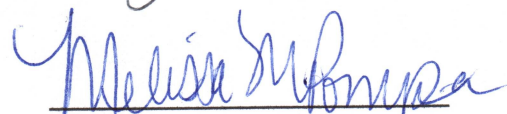
  
Mayor, Dorothy Riojas

  
Alderman, Justin La Fleur

  
Alderman, Ellie Dominguez

  
Alderman, Maggie Gaytan

  
Alderman, Patsy Vigil Scherrer

  
Alderman, Melissa Pompa

Attest:

  
Tanya Torres

City of Nixon Secretary