

Special Meeting Minutes—City of Plantersville
June 23, 2025

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Plantersville, Grimes County, Texas, met in Special Session at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, June 23, 2025, in Plantersville Town Hall, 11335 Lodge Lane, Plantersville, Texas.

Members Present:

Kim Allphin, Mayor

John Greenwood, Mayor Pro-Tem

Marilyn Bettes, Alderman, Board Secretary

Brett Bratcher, Alderman

Sandra Kuta, Alderman

Absent: Dedrick Mallard, Alderman

Visitors: Michelle Towns, Karen Hale, Kobi and Valerie Buvinghausen, Katherine Greenwood and Sonya Brewer

1. Call to Order: Quorum established. Mayor Allphin called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The invocation was given by Mayor Allphin. The pledges led by Alderman Bettes.
2. Public Comments: None
3. Invoices and items currently due and payable:
Motion to Approve: Alderman John Greenwood **Second:** Alderman Bratcher
Voting: Yes: Unanimous
Final Resolution: Motion carries
4. Audit Review and Final Audit Presentation Fiscal Year 2022-2023 by Michelle Towns with McCall, Gibson, Swedlund, Barfoot, and Ellis PLLC.
Motion to Approve: Alderman Marilyn Bettes **Second:** Alderman Brett Bratcher
Voting: Yes: Unanimous
Final Resolution: Motion carries
5. **Discussion:** Mayor Allphin reviewed the upcoming Texas Mutual League Newly Elected Officials Conference Registration deadlines for July and August 2025 events. The registrations will be closing soon and Mayor Allphin recommended the conference to all elected officials. The event will be held August 7th and 8th in Waco, Texas. The TML Member rate is \$245.00 per registrant with lodging costs of approximately \$159.00 with fees and taxes. Alderman Kuta mentioned meal stipend and mileage expense, education courses would be beneficial and Mayor Allphin also advised Texas Mutual League online courses available. Alderman Greenwood feels the lodging, registration fees and mileage expense are all valid expenses. Alderman Marilyn Bettes agreed with the lodging and registration fees, unsure of the mileage expense. Alderman Greenwood offered those that would like to carpool, that might be cost saving also. Alderman Greenwood and Alderman Bettes suggested discussing at the July 21st meeting to review costs and amend the budget \$3,000.00 for FY 2024-2025 at future meeting with Budget Ordinance Amendment.
Motion to Approve Registration for TML Conference and amend budget \$3,000.00 for FY 24-25 with Budget Ordinance Provided: Alderman Bettes
Second: Alderman Kuta
Final Resolution: Motion carries
Voting: Yes: Unanimous
6. **Closed Session**
The Aldermen may meet in Closed Session pursuant to the Texas Government Code Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.
7. **Open Session**
8. Return to open meeting: take action on items closed session
9. Mayor Allphin adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Approved: Kimberly Allphin
Mayor Kim Allphin

Date: 07/21/25

Attest: Marilyn Bettes
Board Secretary Marilyn Bettes

Date: 07/21/25