



City of Dickinson, TX

Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 14, 2023

7:00 P.M.

4403 Highway 3
Dickinson, TX 77539

Sean Skipworth, Mayor
Johnnie Simpson, Jr., Mayor Pro Tem
Jenna Simsen
Walter Wilson

Jessie Brantley
Louis Decker
Fred L. Linton
Theo Melancon, City Manager

The Dickinson City Council met in a duly called and announced the Regular Meeting on **Tuesday, March 14, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.** 4403 Highway 3, Dickinson, Texas 77539 for the purpose of considering the following numbered items.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM

Mayor Sean Skipworth called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. City Secretary, Ana Urps called roll and certified a quorum. Those present were: Mayor Sean Skipworth, Pro Tem Johnnie Simpson, Jenna P. Simsen, Walter Wilson, Jessie Brantley, Louis Decker, and Fred L. Linton. Also present was City Attorney, Justin Pruitt, and City Manager Theo Melancon.

2. INVOCATION

Council Member Simpson gave the invocation.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Skipworth led the pledge of allegiance to the United States and Texas flag.

4. PROCLAMATIONS AND AWARDS

- Sea Dog Inn
- Eleanor Childs

Mayor Skipworth presented the Proclamations to Sea Dog Inn and Eleanor Childs.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

Announcements concerning items of community interest. No action will be taken or discussed. Councilmember comments regarding items of community interest in accordance with Texas Government Code section 551.0415.

5A. Council Comments

Mayor Skipworth introduced Nina Baker to present Pet of the Month Roscoe.

Council Member Fred Linton welcomed everyone. He briefed on events that he attended since the last Council Meeting. He stated that he spoke with La Tulteca regarding some parking issues they were having regarding the Chamber of Commerce. He also stated that he is resending another email to the Railroad regarding the railroad crossing issue he has been dealing with.

Council Member Decker welcomed everyone.

Council Member Brantley welcomed everyone. He mentioned that the Little Italy Festival will be having their event Saturday, March 18, 2023. Council Member Brantley recognized City Secretary, Ana Urps in shouldering the burden of Administration, Council and responding to questions regarding to citizens.

Council Member Wilson welcomed everyone. He gave condolences to the family of Julie Robinson, previous City Administrator.

Council Member Simsen welcomed everyone. She briefed on some events that she attended since the last meeting. She had the pleasure of visiting the Dickinson Bayou Ranch. The ranch will be the location of the Black-Tie fundraising event benefiting the by Bayou Animal Services on April 29th. She also attended the unveiling of the bench to MI Lewis along with other Rotary Board Members. This bench was the first of four benches that will be installed around Dickinson. She mentioned some upcoming events including the Rivers, Lakes Bay 'N Bayou Trash Bash and the Dickinson Historical Society Wine and Roses. Council Member also gave her condolences to the family of Julie Robinson.

Council Member Simpson welcomed everyone. He gave his condolences to the family of Joyce B. Hobbs. He also extended condolences to the family of Julie Robinson and asked that we keep her mother Anita Laffey in our prayers.

Mayor Skipworth also welcomed everyone and gave his condolences to the family of Julie Robinson. He stated that the Little Italy Festival will be held on March 18, 2023 and encouraged citizens to attend this event.

5B. **City Manager Update**

- **Infrastructure**
- **Project Statuses**
- **Community and Economic Development Status**
- **Community Events**
- **Grant Updates**

City Manager Theo Melancon also gave his condolences to the Julie Robinson family. He stated that she was a mentor to many and will be missed in the community. He updated Council on projects statuses and answered Council questions and concerns.

City Manager introduced Daniel Blanco, REME to present the Preliminary Master Plan. Daniel Blanco and City Manager answered Council Member questions and concerns.

City Manager briefed on the upcoming internship program. City Manager thanked Jaree Heffner for the presentation video of the interns last year.

6. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Members of the public are invited to give comments at this time, lasting not longer than 3 minutes. Comments may be general in nature or may address a specific agenda item, and should be directed at the entire Council, not individual members of Council or staff. Any speaker making personal attacks or using vulgar or profane language shall forfeit his/her remaining time and shall be seated. In compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, The City Council may not deliberate.

Name	Address	Reason for Comment
Daniel Zeke	9211 Royal Oak	Drainage & Road issues

No action taken.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

The following items are considered routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be a separate discussion on these items unless a Councilmember requests, in which event, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and discussed after the consent agenda.

7.A Consideration and possible action on approving the minutes of the City Council Regular Meeting of February 28, 2023.

7.B Consideration and possible action concerning the approval of cancelling the May 23, 2023 City Council meeting.

7.C ORDINANCE XXX-2023 - CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DICKINSON, TEXAS, REPEALING AND REPLACING ARTICLE III "LITTER; CONDITIONS OF PREMISES" OF CHAPTER 12 "OFFENSES – MISCELLANEOUS" OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF DICKINSON TEXAS BY PROVIDING REGULATIONS FOR THE ABATEMENT OF LITTER, WEEDS, AND OTHER PROPERTY MAINTENANCE VIOLATIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED \$2,000 PER DAY FOR EACH VIOLATION; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL; AND, PROVIDING AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

7.D RESOLUTION XXX-2023 - CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DICKINSON, TEXAS, APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT REGARDING THE EDUCATION SERVICE CENTER REGION 10 RETIREMENT ASSET MANAGEMENT SERVICES (RAMS) EMPLOYER GOVERNING BODY RESOLUTION, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS ASSOCIATED WITH SUCH INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT.

7.E RESOLUTION XXX-2023 - CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DICKINSON, TEXAS, APPROVING AN EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS BY THE DICKINSON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION REGARDING THE PURCHASE OR SALE OF REAL PROPERTY.

7.F RESOLUTION XXX-2023 - CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DICKINSON, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WITH BRANCH CONSTRUCTION GROUP, LLC FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS OR FACILITIES, INCLUDING IMPROVING CERTAIN PORTIONS OF THE CITY'S STORM DRAINAGE SYSTEM.

1st Motion: Council Member Simpson made a motion to approve the consent agenda pulling items 7D & 7E for discussion.

2nd Motion: Council Member Linton seconded the motion.

Vote:

7 Ayes (Simsen, Brantley Linton, Skipworth, Simpson, Wilson, Decker)
0 Nays

MOTION PASSED.

There was a motion by Council Member Brantley and seconded by Council Member Simpson to approve item 7D. Council Member Linton had a question and asked if this was a modification to City Employees Retirement Plan. The vote was 7-0 with none voting in the negative the motion passed unanimously.

There was a motion by Council Member Simpson and seconded by Council Member Wilson to approve item 7E. Council Member Linton had a question that was previously answered by City Manager. The vote was 7-0 with none voting in the negative the motion passed unanimously.

8. ACTION UTEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

8.A RESOLUTION XXX-2023 - CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DICKINSON, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR ELECTRICAL SERVICES AT RAY HOLBROOK PARK.

Mayor Skipworth introduced Lindsay Costa with Dickinson Girls Softball. She thanked City of Dickinson for helping with the proposal that is being presented for adequate lighting to the Dickinson Girls Softball fields.

City Manager stated that the Dickinson Girls Softball has an agreement with the County and by using their park use agreement we can simplify the process. Council Member Simpson clarified that the City of Dickinson will help with the funding for the electrical services needed at Ray Holbrook Park.

No action needed.

9. EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION(S)

None.

10. ACTION ITEMS FRO EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSIONS(S)

None.

11. ADJOURNMENT

1st Motion: Council Member Wilson made a motion to adjourn.

2nd Motion: Council Member Simpson seconded the motion.

Vote:

7 Ayes (Simsen, Brantley Linton, Skipworth, Simpson, Wilson, Decker)

0 Nays

MOTION PASSED.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.



Sean Skipworth, Mayor

Attest:

Ana Urps

Ana Urps, City Secretary

