

Giddings City Council -Regular Meeting Minutes
September 23, 2019, at 7:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order-

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Pro-Tem Joel Lopez at 7:03 p.m. with the following present:

Members Present: Mayor Pro-Tem Joel Lopez; Council Members, Alan Casey Frank Castro, Linda Pruitt, Mayor John Dowell not present.

Staff Present: City Manager Ricky Jorgensen, City Secretary Andrea Ray, Director of Public Works Spence Schneider, Police Chief Haril Walpole and Captain Farah Ramsey, Sergeant James Catchings, Director of Finance Clifton Wachsmann.

2. Pledges to the U.S. and Texas Flags-

Pledges were said.

3. Invocation and Welcome-

Mayor Pro-Tem Joel Lopez gave the invocation and welcomed all in attendance.

4. Announcements-

Police Chief Haril Walpole to present newly promoted Sergeant James Catchings with his new badge.

5. Presentations and Proclamations –

There were no Presentations and Proclamations.

6. Citizens' Comments-

There were no Citizens' Comments

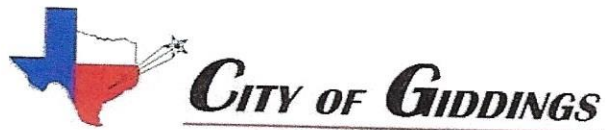
7. Consent Agenda– All of the following items are considered to be self-explanatory by the Council and will be enacted with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests.

a. Consider approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting held on September 09, 2019.

b. Consider approval of Minutes for Special Meeting held on September 16, 2019.

A motion was made by Council Member Alan Casey and seconded by Council Member Frank Castro approval of Minutes for Special Meeting held on September 09, 2019.

A motion was made by Council Member Alan Casey and seconded by Council Member Frank Castro approval of Minutes for Special Meeting held on September 16, 2019.



Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: City Council Members Casey, Castro, Lopez, Pruitt, Horne

Nays: None

8. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discuss and take possible action on Ordinance No. 841 adopting the FY 2019-2020 City Budget.

A motion was made by Council Member Jake Horne and seconded by Council Member Linda Pruitt approval Ordinance No. 841 adopting the FY 2019-2020 City Budget.

Section 102.007 of the Local Government Code requires a record vote from City Council for adoption of the budget. Record vote is as follows:

Mayor Pro Tem Joel Lopez:	Aye
Council Member Alan Casey:	Aye
Council Member Frank Castro:	Aye
Council Member Linda Pruitt:	Aye
Council Member Jake Horne:	Aye

- b. Discuss and take possible action on Ordinance No. 842 adopting the 2019 Tax Rate of \$0.5188 per \$100 valuation.

City Manager Ricky Jorgensen stated the tax rate to support our Budget. The breakdown is as follows, Maintenance and Operations (M&O) 0.3497 and 0.1691 Debt Service Fund.

A motion was made by Council Member Linda Pruitt and seconded by Council Member Alan Casey Ordinance No. 842 adopting the 2019 Tax Rate of \$0.5188 per \$100 valuation. Record vote is as follows:

Mayor Pro Tem Joel Lopez:	Aye
Council Member Alan Casey:	Aye
Council Member Frank Castro:	Aye
Council Member Linda Pruitt:	Aye
Council Member Jake Horne:	Aye

- c. Discussion and possible action on approving the Lee County Appraisal District Board of Directors.

City Manager Ricky Jorgensen stated the City of Giddings Council the members of the Board every two years. The City has 290 votes out of 5,000 votes of all taxing units combined. Giddings Independent School District and Lee County have most votes. Two years ago, the City Council spread the votes out evenly between all Directors

A motion was made by Council Member Alan Casey and seconded by Council Member Frank Castro to spread the cities 290 votes evenly between: Jason Locke, Mike Organ, John Schuman, Alton Weiser, Vacant Position.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: City Council Members City Council Members Casey, Castro, Lopez, Pruitt, Horne

Nays: None

John Dowell, Mayor
Frank Castro
Alan Casey



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Mayor Pro Tem Joel Lopez
Linda Pruitt
Jake Horne
Ricky Jorgensen, City Manager

- d. Discussion and possible action on awarding the bid for the 2019 Seal Coating/Paving Project. City Manager Ricky Jorgensen stated the City Of Giddings had two bids submitted for our paving project this year, DIJ Construction at \$200,000.00 and FN Ploch at \$142,500.00. All bids had have a bid bind and the proper insurance for the job.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Joel Lopez and seconded by Council Member Alan Casey on awarding the bid for the 2019 Seal Coating/Paving Project FN Ploch at \$142,500.00.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: City Council Members City Council Members Casey, Castro, Lopez, Pruitt, Horne
Nays: None

- e. Discussion and take possible action to approve Mayor Dowell's reappointment as a Representative to the Capital Area Council of Governments' General Assembly.

City Manager Ricky Jorgensen stated The Mayor John Dowell would like to serve on the General Assembly again. CAPCOG covers Cities and Counties in a ten County area

A motion was made by Council Member Frank Castro and seconded by Council Member Alan Casey to approve Mayor Dowell's reappointment as a Representative to the Capital Area Council of Governments' General Assembly.

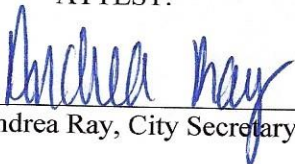
9. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

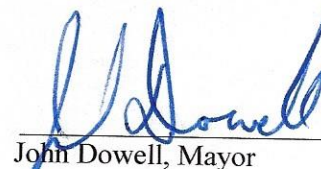
- 1.) Sales Tax up.
- 2.) Ricky Jorgensen and Spencer Schneider had a meeting with State School on drainage problems.
- 3.) There was a car accident at the City of Giddings Library.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pro-Tem Joel Lopez adjourned the September 23, 2019 meeting at 7:46 p.m.

ATTEST:


Andrea Ray, City Secretary


John Dowell, Mayor

