CITY OF RUSK, TEXAS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AGENDA

Rusk Civic Center
555 Euclid Street, Rusk, Texas
Thursday, May 12, 2022 – 5:30 P.M.

Ben Middlebrooks, Mayor
Walter Session, Mayor Pro Tem, Council Place 2
Kendall Shoemaker, Council Place 1    Martha Neely, Council Place 4
Martin Holmes, Council Place 3        Frances Long, Council Place 5
Amanda Hill, City Manager
Cinda Etheridge, City Secretary
Anthony J. King, City Attorney

1. CALL TO ORDER:
   A. Invocation.
   B. Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas Flags.

2. PROCLAMATION(S)/RECOGNITION(S):
   New pinning of Officer Ryan Gummer

3. MAYOR COMMENTS: Comments will be from Mayor Middlebrooks.
   IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT, THE CITY COUNCIL MAY NOT DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON ANY ITEM WHICH HAS NOT BEEN POSTED ON THE AGENDA.

4. CITIZENS COMMENTS: At this time, comments will be taken from the audience on any subject matter that is not included on the agenda. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT, THE CITY COUNCIL MAY NOT DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON ANY ITEM WHICH HAS NOT BEEN POSTED ON THE AGENDA.

5. CONSENT AGENDA:
   A. Check Register Report for April 2022, Summary R & E, Credit Card Statement for March charges 2022, April Consolidated Bank Reconsolidations.
   B. Minutes for the April 14, 2022, City Council Meeting.

6. PUBLIC HEARING(S):
   N/A

7. ACTION ITEM(S)
   A. Accept the canvass from Cherokee County Elections Department for the May 7, 2022, Election.
   B. Presentation of Statement of Officers and Oaths of Office of Newly Elected City Councilmembers for Council Districts 3, 4 and 5.
   C. Election of Mayor Pro Tem.
D. Discuss and consider Ordinance Declaring the Adoption of the Three (3) Charter Amendments.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION(S): The City Council will enter Executive Session to discuss and consider the following:
      Annual review for City Manager, City Attorney, City Secretary, and Municipal Judge

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION ACTION (S): The City Council will reconvene into Open Session to act, if any, on items discussed in the Executive Session.
   a. Reconvene to take any action.

10. ANNOUNCEMENT(S): Comments may be made by Council or Staff on the following topics without specific notice: expressions of thanks, congratulations, or condolences; information on holiday schedules; recognition of public officials, employees, or citizens other than employees or officials whose status may be affected by the council through action; reminders of community events. NO ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON THESE ITEMS.

11. CITY MANAGER’S REPORT(S): Water Projects, Wastewater Projects, Drainage Projects, Road Projects, Capital Improvement Projects, Special Projects and Developments and Departmental Reports. NO ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON THESE ITEMS.

12. ADJOURN

The City Council reserves the right to hear any of the above-described agenda items that qualify for an Executive Session in an Executive Session by announcing the applicable section number of the Open Meetings Act, (Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code) that justifies Executive Session treatment.

Posted: Monday, May 9, 2022
City Hall Bulletin Board
By 4:30 P.M.

Cinda Etheridge, City Secretary

This meeting will be conducted pursuant to the Texas Government Code Section 551.001 et seq. At any time during the meeting, the Council reserves the right to adjourn into executive session on any of the above-posted agenda items in accordance with the sections 551.071 [litigation and certain consultation with attorney], 551.072 [acquisition of interest of real property] 551.073 [contract for gift to City], 551.074 [certain personnel deliberations] or 551.076 [deployment /implementation of security personnel or devices]. A quorum of the governmental body will be physically present at the location noticed above. Pursuant to Tex. Gov’t Code 551.127, one or more members of the governing body may appear via videoconference call. The City of Rusk is committed to compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Reasonable modifications and equal access to communications will be provided upon request.

Please call the City Secretary at 903-683-2213 for information.