

**CITY OF RUSK, TEXAS  
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING  
AGENDA**

Rusk Civic Center  
555 Euclid Street, Rusk, Texas  
Thursday, January 19, 2023– 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  
Zack McNew, Council Place 3      Frances Long, Council Place 5  
Amanda Hill, City Manager  
Cinda Etheridge, City Secretary  
Anthony J. King, City Attorney

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**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

- A. Invocation.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas Flags.

**2. PROCLAMATION(S)/RECOGNITION(S):**

**Pinning of Officer Tony Smith.**  
**Pinning of Officer David Berryman.**

**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 November 2022, Summary R & E, Account Balances, and Bank Reconciliation.
- B. December 8, 2022, Regular City Council and December 19, 2022 Special City Council meeting minutes.

**6. PUBLIC HEARING(S): N/A**

**7. ACTION ITEM(S)**

- A. Discuss and consider bids for Water Well # 7 construction.

- B. Discuss and consider renewal of interlocal Cooperation Contract with Rusk Rural Water Supply Corporation for supplying potable water to the Rusk Rural Crockett Street and Loop 343 plants when needed.
  - C. Discuss and consider Tobacco Enforcement Grant and interlocal cooperation contract.
  - D. Discuss and consider RSH Gun Range Lease.
  - E. Discuss and consider renewing listing contract on Industrial Park Land.
  - F. Discuss and consider a Special Even Permit for Joe's Sports Bar.
8. **EXECUTIVE SESSION(S):** The City Council will enter Executive Session to discuss and consider the following-
- a. Government Code Section 551.071 litigation and certain consultation with attorney. Cause No 2021090267 and Cause No. 2022060132 and any other related issues.
9. **EXECUTIVE SESSION ACTION (S):** The City Council will reconvene into Open Session to act, if any, on items discussed in the Executive Session.
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**

**Posted: Monday, January 16, 2023**  
**City Hall Bulletin Board**  
**By 4:00 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.**