



City of Santa Clara, Texas – Regular City Council Meeting Minutes

August 26, 2024

The City Council called regular meeting on August 26, 2024, at 6:32 PM. At City Hall 1653 N Santa Clara Road and video conference through city's homepage City of Santa Clara with Mayor Jeff Hunt.

A. PLEDGE

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America: I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands: one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all

B. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

1. **Roll Call:** Marian Carty, Dwane Atkins, John Reagan, Danny Trammell, and Ernest Schoenefeldt.

P&Z Members present: Thomas Perkins, Shane Lipke, Lloyd Fairley, and David Cale

2. **Declaration of Quorum:** Quorum was present for August 26, 2024, City Council Meeting.

C. PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Brian Desormeaux (Santa Clara Loop): Mr. Desormeaux sign in for Item H 7 of the agenda "Removal of City Marshal and Administrative Leave and Reinstatement to active duty" and made his comments at that time.
- Lloyd Fairley (Weil Rd) Mr. Lloyd sign in to made his comments regarding Item H 7 of the agenda.

D. PUBLIC HEARING: NONE

E. CONSENT AGENDA

1. July 22, 2024 - City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
2. August 5, 2024, – City Council Special Meeting Minutes
3. August 19, 2024 – City Council Special Meeting Minutes

Councilmember Danny Trammell made the motion to approve City Council Regular Meeting Minutes for July 22, 2024, Special Meeting Minutes for August 5, 2024, and August 19, 2024. Councilmember Ernest Schoenefeldt seconded the motion. Motion carried.

F. CITY STAFF REPORTS

Staff reports include briefings on pending matters from City officials or City staff. Reports are in writing to be included in the agenda packet.

1. Financial Report – Mayor, Jeff Hunt

G. DISCUSSION ONLY

1. Stephen Germann Commissioner, Pct4 – Roads:

Currently Commissioner Germann as no new progress regarding funding for City of Santa Clara roads.

2. Sign Ordinance: No discussion, waiting on information.

H. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS

Items listed under this heading are for discussion and possible action.

1. Amending the No Trough Truck Ordinance – Trucking Permits:

Councilmembers want to received more information regarding fleet prices for companies that deliver in the City. No action taken at this time.

2. Wetz Road & Santa Clara Loop – next steps to correct issues, Geotech expense:

Councilmembers discussed having the City Engineer contact the contractor of Santa Clara Loop and Wetz Rd project and find out what it would cost for the repairs, before Geotech expense.

3. N Santa Clara Rd at the “S” curve road leveling project:

Councilmember Marian Carty made the motion to level the road at “S” curve on N Santa Clara Rd should proceed, with the cost not going over \$16,000. Councilmember Ernest Schoenefeldt seconded the motion. Motion carried

4. Court prosecutor

- **Resignation**
- **Appointment**

Councilmember Dwane Atkins made the motion table Court Prosecutor topic until the next City Council meeting on September 23, 2024. Councilmember John Reagan seconded the motion. Motion carried with 4 yes and 1 no (Schoenefeldt)

5. Cyber Liability and Data Breach Response Coverage:

Councilmember Marian Carty made the motion to select the Cyber Liability and Data Breach Response Coverage through TML at \$1250.00, with City of Santa Clara’s Municipal Court paying half of the fees of \$625.00. Councilmember John Reagan seconded the motion. Motion carried with 4 yes and 1 no (Atkins).

6. FY 2023-2024 Power Plant Contribution Funds for Youth Organization – authorization of disbursement for funds:

Councilmember John Reagan made the motion to fund \$500 to Santa Clara 4-H Club, \$750 to Marion Community Library, \$1500 to Boys State and \$500 to Itschner Pony Club. Councilmember Marian Carty seconded the motion. Motion carried.

7. Removal of City Marshal from Administrative Leave and Reinstatement to active duty:

Public comments:

- Mr. Desormeaux stated that the Mayor should have gotten rid of the Marshal and any one on the council that backs him up should be removed from office, you are crooks.
- Mr. Fairley stated that Marshal has done the a really good job for the citizen and the City of Santa Clara. Mr. Fairley stated to citizen present, if you feel you can do a better job. Then you need to apply for Mayor or City Council.

No action taken on this topic

I. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Commissioner Stephen Germann stated that the traffic light at HWY 78/ FM 1044 has been delay until December 2024. The money for police vehicle is at the County at this time.

I. EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

J. ATTENDANCE BY OTHER ELECTED OR APPOINTED OFFICIALS: None

K. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember John Reagan made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 PM. Councilmember Marian Carty seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

Mayor: Jeff Hunt



City Clerk: Anna Tagle