



**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTIES OF WALLER AND HARRIS
CITY OF WALLER**

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT ON THIS THE 17th day of April 2023 at 6:00 p.m. the City Council of the City of Waller, Texas held a meeting in Regular Session at 1218 Farr St. with the following present:

Mayor Danny Marburger
Mayor Pro Tem Dwayne Hajek
Councilmember Nancy Arnold
Councilmember Edna Eaton (**Absent**)
Councilmember Mike McCormick (**Absent**)
Councilmember Jason Tones

Staff:
Cynthia Ward, City Secretary
Beatris Sanchez, Deputy City Secretary
Maryann Carl, Finance Officer (**Absent**)
Markus Benoit, Public Works Director
Michael Lopez, Police Chief
Charles Williams, City Attorney

Mayor Marburger called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

*Prayer by Councilmember Nancy Arnold
Pledge led by Mayor Pro Tem Dwayne Hajek*

ROLL CALL

Mayor Marburger and Councilmembers present. Councilmembers Edna Eaton and Mike McCormick were absent.

SWEARING IN CEREMONY FOR NEW LIEUTENANT

Mayor Marburger held a swearing-in ceremony for the first City of Waller Police Department Lieutenant, Thomas Santellana. Santellana's wife did the honoring of pinning him as Lieutenant.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Please fill out a "Citizen Registration Card" form in order to address the Council. Turn in the form prior to Communications from the Public to the City Secretary. Speakers are limited to three minutes. The purpose of this item is to allow the public an opportunity to address the Mayor and City Council on issues that are not on the agenda. The Council cannot take action but may refer this item to a department head or direct that this item be placed on a future regular Council agenda.

Any interested person may appear before City Council to speak on an item on the agenda. Before the start of the meeting, the person must request such appearance in writing and identify the agenda item on which he/she wishes to speak. The person will be called to speak when the agenda item comes before City Council for discussion or action. Comments are limited to 3 minutes.

No communications from the public.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

This agenda consists of non-controversial, or "housekeeping" items required by law. Items may be removed from the Consent Agenda by any Councilmember making such a request prior to a motion and vote on the Consent Agenda.

1. Approval of Minutes for March 20, 2023, Regular Meeting.
2. Approval of the Quarterly Investment Report ending March 2023.
3. Approval of refund to Prosperity Bank for Tax Year 2022 due per HCAD.
4. Approval of refund to Petroquip Energy Services for Tax Year 2022 due per HCAD.

Mayor Pro-Tem, Dwayne Hajek motioned to approve. Councilmember Jason Tones seconded the motion. Motion passed.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

5. Discussion and possible action to accept the resignation of Councilmember Edna Eaton.

Mayor Marburger addressed Council and the public on Councilmember Edna Eaton's resignation, effective April 30, 2023.

To fill her position, the City will complete the election in May. After the election, her position will be vacant. The vacancy's term will be for 1 year since Eaton's term remaining is one year. After the elections are over, the City will take resumes and applications to fill and complete the remaining one-year term for Councilmember Eaton. Once the one-year term is complete, the person who is appointed will have to re-run for that position.

Councilmember Nancy Arnold motioned to approve with regret and appreciation the resignation of Councilmember Edna Eaton due to her relocation out of the City. Mayor Pro-Tem seconded the motion. Motion passed.

6. Discussion and possible action to approve the initial acceptance and one year warranty on Oakwood Estates Section 1 WS&D and paving.

City Engineer, Travis Sellers addressed Council on approving the initial acceptance and one year warranty on Oakwood Estates Section 1 WS&D paving. The contractor has corrected all punch list items and is ready for acceptance. This street is an open street.

Mayor Pro-Tem, Dwayne Hajek motioned to approve. Councilmember Jason Tones seconded the motion. Motion passed.

7. Discussion and possible action to approve the initial acceptance and one year warranty on Beacon Hills Section 4 WS&D and paving.

Public Works Director, Markus Benoit addressed Council on approving the initial acceptance and one year warranty on Beacon Hills Section 4 WS&D and paving. Beacon Hills Section 4 is ready to go into acceptance.

Mayor Pro Tem, Dwayne Hajek motioned to approve. Councilmember Jason Tones seconded the motion. Motion passed.

8. Discussion and possible action to approve an extension for Oakwood Estates Sec 3 preliminary plat.

City Engineer, Travis Sellers addressed Council on approving an extension for the initial approval for the Oakwood Estates Sec 3 preliminary plat. Per City ordinance, a one-time six-month extension is allowed after one-year from the date of acceptance. Oakwood Estates Sec 3 is not ready to be finalized.

Mayor Pro-Tem, Dwayne Hajek motioned to approve. Councilmember Jason Tones seconded the motion. Motion passed.

9. Discussion and possible action to approve purchase of two new Police Department patrol vehicles through HGAC Buy.

Police Chief, Michael Lopez addressed Council on approving the purchase of one new Police Department patrol vehicle through HGAC Buy. Due to rising costs, only one vehicle will be able to be purchased as budgeted.

Councilmember Nancy Arnold motioned to approve. Mayor Pro-Tem seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Citizen Pat Henderson addressed Council on questions about the vehicle's paint plan. Henderson addressed concerns about whether citizens would be able to identify the police vehicle.

The Police Chief addressed Henderson on vehicle color being identifiable as a police vehicle.

MAYOR-COUNCIL REPORTS

- *Councilmember Jason Tones*
 - *Addressed the public on the Relay for Life event that took place in City Hall Main Plaza and citizens being happy about the event.*
- *Mayor Marburger*
 - *Addressed the public on inviting them May 2nd at Waller City Hall, which will be an open house to celebrate the Waller County Sesquicentennial from 1:00-5:00pm. The City will have refreshments. The City Museum will be open, and a Proclamation will be awarded in honoring this day.*
 - *On May 3rd, the City of Waller will be at Prairie View University to attend the Bowling Tournament against surrounding cities for the Sesquicentennial.*

STAFF REPORTS

- *Cynthia Ward, City Secretary*
 - No report
- *Markus Benoit, Public Works Director*
 - No report
- *Michael Lopez, Police Chief*
 - No report
- *John Isom, WEDC Director*
 - Breakfast networking meeting April 18 featuring Adrian Collins of Natura PCR
- *Travis Sellers, City Engineer*
 - No report

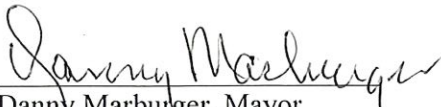
ELECTED OFFICIAL REPORTS

Not present, no report

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business, Mayor adjourned at 6:26 pm.

APPROVED BY:


Danny Marburger, Mayor

ATTEST:



Cynthia Ward, City Secretary