



MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 19, 2023
CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Talty City Council held their regularly scheduled meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 19, 2023 at the Trinity Family Church, 107 Piedmont Path, located at the intersection of FM 1641 and I-20.

I. Call to Order: Mayor Frank Garrison called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and announced a quorum. Those present were Brad Davis, Bobby Crowley and Judy Trevino. Absent were Courtney McGrath and John Davis.

II. Invocation and Pledge: Brad Davis led the invocation and pledge.

III. Public Hearing: Fiscal 2024 Budget

Mayor Garrison opened the public hearing at 7:04 p.m. No citizens signed in to address the council. The public hearing was closed at 7:07.

IV. Public Hearing: Proposed tax rate of \$0.210625 per \$100 valuation.

Mayor Garrison opened the public hearing at 7:07 p.m. No citizens signed in to address the council. The public hearing was closed at 7:09 p.m.

V. Police Chief Bill Carmack introduced Talty's newest Officer, Christian Lopez. A new police reserve officer, Darrell Lee Haley, was also hired, but unable to attend.

VI. Citizen's Participation.

- Judge Janice McKee signed in to address the council regarding the new city facility. She was excited that Talty was building a new court facility. Judge McKee wanted to emphasize the security aspect of the area where the court clerk would be processing tickets.

- Chief Bill Carmack addressed the council and stated that he was appreciative of the new city hall that was being built for the police department and to have a separate space designated for police work. Chief Carmack also stressed that this would help to retain police officers, but that a substantial raise would be nice since the officers worked through Covid-19 without any bonuses.

VII. Action items:

1. The Council discussed the Minutes of August 15 and September 7, 2023.
A Motion was made by Judy Trevino to approve the Minutes of August 15 and September 7, 2023.
Seconded: Brad Davis
Vote: 3-0; Motion carried
2. The Council discussed the August 2023 Financial Report.
A Motion was made by Brad Davis to approve the August 2023 Financial Report.
Seconded: Judy Trevino
Vote: 3-0; Motion carried
3. The Council discussed **Ordinance 2023-07** for the fiscal 2024 Budget.
A Motion was made by Bobby Crowley to approve Ordinance 2023-07 on the new 2024 fiscal year budget, beginning October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024.
Seconded: Brad Davis
Vote: 3-0; Motion carried
4. The Council discussed **Ordinance 2023-08** on the proposed tax rate of \$0.210625 for 2023.
A Motion was made by Brad Davis to approve Ordinance 2023-08 on the proposed tax rate for the appraised value as of January 1, 2023 of \$0.210625 for 2023.
Seconded: Judy Trevino
Vote: 3-0; Motion carried
5. The Council discussed the increase in revenue from the property taxes reflected in the Fiscal year 2024 budget.
A Motion was made by Bobby Crowley to ratify the increase in revenue from the property taxes reflected in the fiscal 2024 budget, although tax rate went down.
Seconded: Judy Trevino
Vote: 3-0; Motion carried

VIII. Discussion on the new city facility.

IX. **Adjourn:** Meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Dated: _____

Mayor Frank Garrison

City Secretary Sherry Bagby