

**MINUTES OF THE  
TOWN COUNCIL  
MAY 15, 2008**

**ITEM 1 CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman called the special session to order at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 15, 2008, in the Vivian Cockburn Municipal Building located at 405 Shaffner Street.

**ITEM 2 ROLL CALL**

Those present were Council Member Ashman, Council Member Swafford and Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman.

**ITEM 3 INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

Steve Grube led the invocation and pledge of allegiance.

**ITEM 4 MAYOR'S REPORT**

None.

**ITEM 5 CITIZEN INPUT**

Richard Wilkinson spoke to the Council reminding them of National Police Week and would also like for the Council to recognize Gary Morris for all the work that he does for the Town of Ponder.

Georgia Linam reported to the Council that she has spoken with the Post Master in Ponder regarding local delivery. The post office told her that standard mailboxes should be used and in an approved place. She asked them about placing a box on Hwy 156 and they said no, but that they could place them at the end of the blacksmith shop. Ms. Linam is setting the Town on notice that she wants us to supply the posts since this is the Town right-of-way.

**ITEM 6 CONSENT AGENDA – APPROVAL OF THE MAY 14 & MAY 28, 2008 MINUTES.**

Council Member Ashman moved to approve the May 14, 2008 and May 28, 2008 minutes. Motion seconded by Council Member Swafford. Ayes: Council Member Ashman, Council Member Swafford and Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 3 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

**ITEM 7 CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE 08-12, CANVASSING THE RETURNS OF AN ELECTION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS HELD ON MAY 10, 2008.**

Council Member Swafford moved for the approval of Ordinance 08-12. Motion seconded by Council Member Ashman. Ayes: Council Member Ashman, Council Member Swafford and Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 3 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

**ITEM 8 ADMINISTRATION OF OATHS OF OFFICE AND PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION TO NEWLY ELECTED COUNCIL MEMBERS.**

City Secretary Sheri Clearman administered the oaths of office to Randy Crider, Ryan Rouse and Bruce Ashman. All newly elected Council Members were given a certificate of election.

**ITEM 9 HEAR AND CONSIDER THE RESIGNATION OF COUNCIL MEMBER LONG.**

Council Member Long asked that City Secretary Sheri Clearman give her verbal resignation to the Council. Council Member Ashman moved to accept the resignation of Council Member Long from Place 2. Motions seconded by Council Member Crider. Ayes: Council Member Ashman, Council Member Crider, Council Member Rouse and Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

**ITEM 10 APPOINT NEW MEMBER TO THE TOWN COUNCIL TO SERVE THE REMAINDER OF PLACE 2 TERM.**

Council Member Ashman moved to appoint Shawn Wilkinson as Alderman in Place 2 on the Ponder Town Council. Motion seconded by Council Member Crider. Ayes: Council Member Ashman, Council Member Crider, Council Member Rouse and Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

**ITEM 11 CONSIDER AND ACT ON ANY NECESSARY ACTION REGARDING BRANDON HORTON'S WATER BILL.**

No action taken on this item.

**ITEM 12 CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPOINTING A REPRESENTATIVE TO THE UPPER TRINITY REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT BOARD.**

Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman moved to appoint Richard Wilkinson to the UTRWD Board. Motion seconded by Council Member Ashman. Ayes: Council Member Ashman, Council Member Crider, Council Member Rouse and Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

**ITEM 13 ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON THE NEXT AGENDA.**

Mailbox posts

**ITEM 14 ADJOURN.**

Council Member Ashman moved to adjourn at 6:47 p.m. Motion seconded by Council Member Rouse. Ayes: Council Member Ashman, Council Member Crider, Council Member Rouse and Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

**APPROVED:**

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Alan Gorman, Mayor Pro-Tem

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Date

**ATTEST:**

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Sheri N. Clearman, City Secretary