

**MINUTES OF THE
HENDERSON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

July 9, 2019

The City Council met on this date at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor John (Buzz) Fullen presiding. Council Members present included Michael Searcy, Henry Pace, Melissa Morton and Steve Higginbotham. Tommy Goode was not able to attend.

Staff members present included City Manager Jay Abercrombie, City Secretary Cheryl Jimerson, City Attorney Joe Shumate, Police Chief Chad Taylor, Public Services Director Davis Brown, Public Utilities Director Randy Boyd, Community Development Manager Billy Hughes, HEDCO Director John Clary, Civic Center Manager Laura Wilkerson and Main Street Coordinator Judy Lewis.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Council Member Henry Pace gave the Invocation and Mayor Buzz Fullen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS:

Citizen Chris Wheeler lives on Watson Street; she asked when Watson Street would be resurfaced? Her understanding was this area is on the first phase of the Bond Resurfacing Street Revitalizing Plan but would like to know when it would be started and if the residents would be notified in advance. Public Services Director Davis Brown stated he could answer all her questions. Ms. Wheeler and Davis had this conversation right after the Council Meeting was adjourned.

PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

City Manager Jay Abercrombie announced and introduced the new Animal Center Director Charissa Pool. He also stated the Animal Center June of 2018 euthanized about 290 animals and June of 2019 there were 15 animals euthanized. Jay wanted to thank all the parties and volunteers involved for the great job they are doing.

Jay also started a power point presentation of the Keep Texas Beautiful top 3 winners of the Governor's Community Achievement Award. Mayor Fullen introduced the President of Keep Henderson Beautiful Leon Harris and turned the floor over to him. Leon stated Keep Henderson Beautiful operates strictly through volunteers, they won third place which was \$160,000 in funds to help beautify TXDOT ROW's within the City limits of Henderson.

Mayor Fullen announced our own Council Member and Mayor Pro Tem Melissa Morton is now an ETCOG Board Member.

Council Member Steve Higginbotham wanted to thank everyone for such a good turn out and well organized Dedication of the Thomas Ward Annex Building.

CONSENT AGENDA: *Consent Agenda items are considered to be routine in nature and may be acted upon in one motion. Any item requiring additional discussion may be withdrawn from the Consent Agenda by the Mayor, Councilmember or City Manager, and acted upon separately.*

1. **Consideration and possible action on the following Minutes:**
 - ❖ **June 18, 2019 Regular Rescheduled Council Meeting**
2. **Consideration and possible action upon HEDCO financials for May 2019.**
3. **Consideration and possible action upon HEDCO 2018-2019 Budget Amendment #1.**
4. **Consideration and possible action on a new Main Street Advisory Board member Pedro Juarez.**

Mayor Fullen introduced the Consent Agenda. Council Member Michael Searcy made a motion to approve the consent agenda, duly seconded by Council Member Henry Pace; the motion passed unanimously.

COUNCIL BUSINESS – REGULAR SESSION:

5. **Consideration and possible action upon scheduling a public hearing on the proposed budget for fiscal year 2019-2020 to be held on August 13, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. during the regular meeting.**

Council Member Michael Searcy made a motion to schedule a public hearing August 13,

2019 at 6:00 P.M. during the Regular Council Meeting, duly seconded by Council Member Steve Higginbotham; the motion passed unanimously.

- 6. Consideration and possible action upon scheduling two (2) public hearings on the 2019 tax rate to be held on August 13, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. during the regular meeting, and on August 27, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. during a special meeting.**

Council Member Steve Higginbotham made a motion to approve (2) public hearings one on August 13 at a Regular Council Meeting and the other on August 27, 2019 at a Special Council Meeting, duly seconded by Council Member Melissa Morton; the motion passed unanimously.

- 7. Consideration and possible action regarding a minor plat application filed by Indolfo and Emma Bazaldua to sub-divide a property in the 300 block of Kilgore Drive.**

Council Member Michael Searcy made a motion to approve a minor plat for Indolfo and Emma Bazaldua, duly seconded by Council Member Steve Higginbotham; the motion passed unanimously.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

- 8. The City Council may deliberate and make inquiry into any item listed in the Departmental Reports.**

- A. City Manager
- B. Fire Department
- C. Police Department
- D. Community Development
- E. Public Services Department
- F. Public Utilities
- G. Finance Department
- H. Court, Main Street, Tourism/Civic Center
- I. HEDCO
- J. City Attorney

All departmental reports were submitted to Council and addressed individually as needed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- 9. There were no items to discuss in Executive Session.**

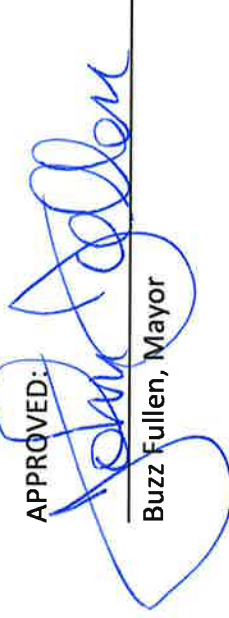
ADJOURNMENT:

- 10. Adjourn.**

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, upon motion by Council Member Michael Searcy, duly seconded by Council Member Henry Pace; with a unanimous vote of the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

ATTEST


Cheryl Jimerson, City Secretary

APPROVED: 
Buzz Fullen, Mayor