

City of Post Oak Bend  
Minutes – Feb. 11, 2020 Council Meeting

1. Mayor Hank Warden called the Tuesday, Feb. 11, 2020, Post Oak Bend City Council Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall. All recited pledges of allegiance.

2. Mayor Warden said a quorum was established. Council Present: Council Members Joey Wages, Ronnie Sherrard, Alison Novak (Mayor Pro Tem), Mike Parker and Dr. Stephen McMahon. Also present was Barbara Bedrick, City Secretary

3. Consider and Approve Minutes

Mayor Warden recapped the road review tour by most council members January 18<sup>th</sup>. Former Mayor Raymond Bedrick drove the council to view every road and boundary in the city limits. Mayor Warden said this will help council better understand the road and drainage issues facing the City.

Consider and Act to approve Minutes: January 14, 2020 Regular City Council Meeting  
January 18, 2020 Council Road Tour

Mayor Warden said documents for Items 8, 17-20 were delayed; he removed them from agenda.

Motion to approve January 14, 2020 Council Minutes: Council Member Parker Second: Council Member Wages In favor: All Opposed: None

Motion to approve January 14, 2020 Council Minutes ~ Passed

Motion to approve January 18, 2020 Minutes - Council Road Tour: Council Member Wages Second: Council Member Novak

Motion to approve January 18, 2020 Minutes - Council Road Tour: Passed.

4. Consider and Act to approve January 2020 Financial Report and disbursements:

Mayor Warden said council received for review prior to council meeting. He asked finance officer Dr. McMahon if he had any other updates, and he said he did not. City Secretary noted franchise fees received from Rose Hill SUD, and the sales tax refund received.

Motion to approve the January 2020 Financial Report and disbursements: Council Member Parker Second: Council Member Wages In favor: All Opposed: None Motion to approve January 2020 Financial Report and disbursements: Passed

5. Consider and approve City Secretary Update Report

City Secretary reported on upcoming elections, the March 3<sup>rd</sup> Primary will be held at the City Hall – county will conduct elections. City Elections will be held May 2, 2020. She updated latest information on residential permits and CR 280 subdivision plat. Meetings with subdivision property owner on city ordinance plat requirements. Two meetings are set this week with two potential residents who are reviewing properties and city ordinance requirements.

Motion to approve City Secretary Update Report: Council Member Wages Second: Council Member Sherrard

In Favor: All Opposed: None Motion to approve City Secretary Update Report: Passed

6. Public Comments: Glenda McMahan made comments. Council Member Parker called a point of order saying the item wasn't an agenda item and there could be no discussion.

7. Discuss and Act on Resolution No. 021120R, A Resolution of the City of Post Oak Bend, Texas ordering a General City Election to be held on the second day of May 2020, for the purpose of electing (3) Council Members of the City Council, City of Post Oak Bend

Motion to approve Resolution 021120R, a resolution of City of Post Oak Bend, Texas ordering a general city election to be held on May 2, 2020, to elect 3 council members: Council Member Novak Second: Council Member Parker

Motion to approve Resolution 021120R: Passed

~~8. Consider and Act to approve Professional Services Contract with Velvin and Weeks to provide engineering review services for City Ordinance 25, Subdivision Regulations and Plats~~

9. Consider and Act to approve renewal of Texas Municipal League annual membership

Motion to approve renewal of Texas Municipal League annual membership: Council Member Dr. McMahon Second: Council Member Wages In Favor: All Opposed: None

Motion to approve renewal of Texas Municipal League's annual membership: Passed.

10. Consider and Act to approve an agreement to hire Velvin and Weeks Engineering Consultants to perform City of Post Oak Bend Road & Drainage Infrastructure Study for \$10,000 expense, and to contract for City Roads Core Sample Tests at expense of \$15,000

Mayor Warden led council in a brief discussion of the proposed road and drainage infrastructure study and core sample study. Questions were raised by Council Members Parker, Wages, Novak and Sherrard as to what precisely the road and drainage study would provide the City and the Council. Would the study provide information about the design to improve and repair the city roads? Should the road study be done without engineering core samples to provide more definitive direction? Most council members agreed more information from the study engineer was needed. After more discussion, it was determined to have Velvin and Weeks representative come to next meeting to discuss the project timelines, total expenses, direction etc.

Motion to table until Council has more information from engineer, and ask to attend next Council Meeting: Council Member Parker Second: Council Member Sherrard In Favor: All Opposed: None  
Motion: Passed to table for engineer meeting with council

11. Consider and Act to approve two loads of crushed concrete to address Klassik K Road issues  
Motion to approve two loads of crushed concrete to be placed on Klassik K Road at the lowest estimate: Council Member Novak Second: Council Member Parker In Favor: All Opposed : None  
Motion to approve two loads of crushed concrete at lowest bid to be placed on Klassik K Road: Passed

12. Consider and Act to approve one load of heavy rock for CR 279/Kandy Lane drainage issue  
Mayor Warden asked for information on estimates. City Secretary Bedrick stated two companies could deliver 3 x 5 or 4 x 5 rocks but locating a vendor for larger rocks was still pending.

Following discussion, this item was tabled until more information is available.

13. Consider and Discussion on Tax Rate Project - Mayor Warden

Mayor Warden led a brief discussion on city projections for road repairs. He said cost estimates from county commissioner for repairs leads the City to search for alternative methods to fund costly expenses. There was discussion on a possible ad valorem property tax at a lower level than in 2019. Mayor Warden said the City could use part of the tax revenues for immediate repairs and maintenance and consider obtaining a loan that could allow the City to pursue more extensive and better road repairs. Council Member Novak said council needs to determine a scope for the road infrastructure funding study committee, and she said she would work on it and send around to council for any feedback. Mayor Warden said he'd like to call a workshop this month to examine these issues more in-depth. Council Members agreed to meet on February 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

15. Consider and Vote on Tax Rate Exemptions – City Admin/Secretary Bedrick

City Secretary Bedrick said one of the first deadlines to meet, if a city is considering an ad valorem tax is July 1<sup>st</sup>. Exemptions must be submitted to Kaufman County by that date. The City Secretary researched tax rate exemptions for the city with TML, stage agencies and Kaufman County. She handed out printouts on potential exemption options to city council to review. Mayor Warden said this will be discussed more at the February 25<sup>th</sup> workshop. No action taken. A vote on exemptions will take place later.

16. Consider and Act to approve City Hall tree removal  
Mayor Warden said council wrapped up its January 18, 2020 road review tour with council members noticing how badly lightning damaged one of the trees in front of city hall. Mayor Warden and several council members wanted estimates. TVEC recommended several professional contacts. Decision to remove the tree was tabled after Council Member Ronnie Sherrard said he could have someone cut tree down and remove it. Council Members Wages and Parker said they could help if needed. Motion to table tree removal: Council Member Parker Second: Council Member Novak Motion to table: Passed.

~~17. Consider and suspend Regular Council Meeting to go into Executive Session.~~

~~18. Consider and Act to go into City of Post Oak Bend Executive Session at \_\_\_\_\_ time pursuant to Section 551.076~~

~~19. Consider and Resume Regular Council Meeting at \_\_\_\_\_ Time.~~

~~20. Consider and take action on Executive Session issues~~

21. Consider items for February Agenda – (Motion, Second)

Council Member Novak suggested the city council consider coordinating unofficial road captains amongst the council members and split up the roads so each member can review one or two roads, or ½ mile, and update. An agenda item was noted on resident's open records request.

22. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn: Council Member Dr. McMahon Second: Council Member Sherrard The Council Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Barbara Bedrick  
City Secretary

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Hank Warden  
Mayor