

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF MULESHOE, TEXAS
Monday, May 15, 2023, 5:30 p.m. City Hall**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Ellis; Mayor Pro-Tem Behrends; Council members Alarcon, Parker, Mendoza and Atchley.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Gil Rennels, Channel 6; Ashlee Atchley; Scott Miller; Public Works Director Juan Flores; Police Chief Benny Parker; City Manager Ramon Sanchez and City Secretary Zanea Carpenter

Mayor Ellis opened the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Scott Miller addressed the council regarding the procedure of charging at the landfill.

AGENDA

1. The Oath of Office was administered to elected council members Gary Parker and Austin Atchley following the May 6, 2023, election.
2. a. Motion was made by Mayor Ellis and second by Council member Parker to approve the minutes of the April 10, 2023, Council meeting. Motion carried.
3. Motion was made by Mayor Ellis and second by Council member Mendoza to elect Gary Parker as Mayor Pro-Tem. Motion carried.
4. Motion was made by Mayor Ellis and second by Mayor Pro-Tem Parker to approve Ordinance O-540-0523 Amending the fee schedule. Motion carried.
5. Motion was made by Mayor Ellis and second by Mayor Pro-Tem Parker to approve Ordinance O-541-0523 Amending Chapter 12, Traffic and Vehicles by adding section 12.05.125, Engine Exhaust Breaking Systems. Motion carried.
6. Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Parker and second by Mayor Ellis to approve Resolution R-795-0523 to allow the City to participate in tax abatements pursuant to Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code. Motion carried.
7. Motion was made by Mayor Ellis and second by Mayor Pro-Tem Parker to adopt the Tax Abatement Guidelines and Criteria, pursuant to Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code, to allow the City to consider granting tax abatements to stimulate economic development within the City. Motion carried.
8. Motion was made by Mayor Ellis and second by Mayor Pro-Tem Parker to approve recommendation from Muleshoe Economic Development Corporation for the Board of Directors. Mark Washington, Carroll Precure and Jimmie Kay Moore will be reappointed. Motion carried.

9. Motion was made by Mayor Ellis and second by Mayor Pro-Tem Parker to receive the financial statement for April 30, 2023. Motion carried.
10. Administrative reports included:
 - a. The city staff participated in a Biggest Loser Challenge again this year. Employees lost a total of 87.2 pounds.
 - b. The Muleshoe Water Park is scheduled to open on May 30th.
 - c. The Youth Fishing Day at Lake Muleshoe will be Saturday, June 3rd
 - d. We are making plans for Movie in the Park for the third Thursday in June, July and possibly August.
 - e. The budget process for 2023-2024 has begun. A budget work session will be scheduled for a later date.
 - f. As a result of HB 3834 passed in the 2021 legislative session, cyber security training is now required by staff and council yearly. This will have to be completed and sent into the Texas Department of Information Resources by June 14, 2023.
 - g. Updates on city projects including HOME, DRP and Seal coat.
11. Mayor and Council remarks included:
12. At 5:56pm, Council convened a closed session in accordance with Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated Government, Section 551.072 Real Estate. Council reconvened in open session at 6:34pm.
13. Mayor Ellis adjourned the meeting at 6:34pm.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 19th DAY OF JUNE 2023.

Colt Ellis, Mayor

ATTEST:

Zanea Carpenter, City Secretary