**SEVEN POINTS CITY COUNCIL**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**JUNE 8, 2023**

1. The Regular meeting of the Seven Points City Council was called order at 7:00pm by Mayor Pro-Tem LaJohnna Wells, Council Members Andy Perdue, Morgan Longacre, Mary Wennerstrom and Kelly Logsdon were present to make a quorum.
2. Chief Raymond Wennerstrom gave the invocation and Mayor Skippy Waters led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Public Comments.

**Chief Raymond Wennerstrom spoke on behalf of Carla Cantrell (citizen). Ms. Cantrell has a piece of property she has been trying to replat since January 2023. Due to various reasons this replat has not been taken care of and was erroneously left off the agenda for June 8th city council meeting. Chief Wennerstrom spoke with Ms. Cantrell this date and told her he would speak on her behalf and ask if the City Council would consider having a special called meeting within a week to review the replat. Mac McKenzie with the EDC stated they had approved this about 6 weeks prior and it was just waiting on the City Council decision.**

1. Consent Items.
2. Approve Minutes from the April Regular Meeting and May Special Called Meeting. Upon motion by Council Member Andy Perdue and a second by Mary Wennerstrom, the vote was five (5) for and none opposed accepting the minutes as written. Motion carried
3. Approve April & May financials. Subject to Audit. Upon motion by Council Member Kelly Logsdon and a second by Andy Perdue, the vote was five (5) for and none opposed to approve the April and May financials subject to audit. Motion carried.
4. Review and consider with discussion among council and action as necessary: to choose a new Mayor Pro-Tem for 1 year term. Council Member Mary Wennerstrom dominated current Mayor Pro-Tem a continue another term of office and Council Member Logsdon requested to be considered for the new Mayor Pro-Tem. Voting was done by paper and the votes were called by Charlotte Witherspoon, City Secretary. The votes were four (4) for Mayor Pro-Tem LaJohnna Wells, one (1) for Council Member Kelly Logsdon. A motion was made by Council Member Mary Wennerstrom and a second by Any Perdue Motion carried.
5. OPEN HEARING: A hearing was held to discuss the imposition of Ad Valorem taxes in the City of Seven Points. Mayor Pro-Tem LaJohnna Wells explained this is the time for the citizens to speak up and let the Council know how you feel about the Ad Valorem tax and ask any questions. Per a request from a citizen, Council Member Mary Wennerstrom explained what the Ad Valorem tax will be secured for. Another citizen commented that he had previously volunteered his time and equipment to help with the road repair, but Seven Points said that could not be done because of liability issues.
6. CLOSE HEARING: The hearing was closed at 7:23 by Mayor Pro-Tem LaJohnna Wells.
7. Review and consider with discussion among council and action as necessary; AN ORDINANCE LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE USE AND SUPPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT FOR THE CITY OF SEVEN POINTS, TEXAS FOR THE TAX YEAR 2024, PROVIDING FOR APPORTIONING EACH LEVY FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSE; AND, PROVIDING WHEN TAXES SHALL BECOME DUE AND WHEN SAME SHALL BECOME DELINQUENT IF NOT PAID; AND PROVIDING FOR A PUBLICATION CLAUSE, A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE AND A REPEALING CLAUSE. A motion was made by City Council Member Mary Wennerstrom and a 2nd by Kelly Logsdon. Motion carried.
8. Review and consider with discussion among council and action as necessary; Develop a comprehensive plan to establish and adopt the ad valorem tax and set up measuring the roads and obtaining road repair estimates. Council Member Mary Wennerstrom provided a “plan to get ad valorem tax rate established.” A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem LaJohnna Wells to accept the plan and a 2nd Council Member Andy Perdue, the vote was five (5) for and none opposed. Motion Carried
9. Review and consider with discussion among council and action as necessary; to consider a new contract with the CPU (Contract Postal Unit). As of this date we have not received an official response from the Kemp Postmaster regarding the increase in our contract with them. Our CPU has received a request that we lower the rent percentage from 40% to 20%. The City Council agrees that this amount should not be lowered due to the fact we have not had an increase in this contract since 2006. The contract is due for review every two (2) years and there is no indication this has been done. Charlotte Witherspoon, City Secretary stated she has spoken with the Postmaster at the Kemp Post Office, and she feels like they are waiting for the new fiscal year to begin before negotiating this contract. City Council Member Mary Wennerstrom made a motion, 2nd by Morgan Longacre to send out an official letter requesting a response by mid-August so we can include this in our budget. The vote was five (5) for and none opposed. Motion carried.
10. Review and consider with discussion among council and action as necessary; Setting a date for FY2024 budget workshop and sessions necessary to prepare the budget. A motion was made by Council Member Kelly Logsdon and a 2nd by Mary Wennerstrom to set the date of July 6, 2023 @ 7:00pm was set to have a Budget Workshop for the 2023-2024 budget. The vote was five (5) for and none opposed. Motion carried.
11. Review and consider with discussion among council and action as necessary; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF SEVEN POINTS, TEXAS AMENDING SECTION 22.3 (BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT) OF ORDINANCE 272 ESTABLISHING A ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT; APPOINTING THE SEVEN POINTS CITY COUNCIL AS THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT. A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem LaJohnna Wells, 2nd by Council Member Mary Wennerstrom to establish an ordinance appointing Seven Points City Council as the zoning Board of Adjustment. The vote was five (5) for and none opposed. Motion carried.
12. Review and consider with discussion among council and action as necessary; A request by Schober Outdoor Advertising to install a billboard sign on the property located on 105 East Cedar Creek Parkway. A motion was made by City Council Member Kelly Logsdon, 2nd by Andy Perdue to deny the billboard sign due to size and location of the billboard. The vote was five (5) for and none opposed. Motion carried.
13. Review and consider with discussion among council and action as necessary: A request by Barnett Signs for a new sign to replace the existing sign on the Dollar General. A motion was made by Council Member Andy Perdue, 2nd by Morgan Longacre for Barnett Signs to replace the existing sign on the Dollar General, the vote was five (5) for and none opposed. Motion carried.
14. Review and consider with discussion among council and action as necessary; Purchase of a new motor for police squad car #705. Council Member Kelly Logsdon made a motion to table the repairs for the police car until more clarification could be made on the warranty that comes with the new motor. Council Member Kelly Logsdon also stated that since the Council has agreed to a special called meeting for Ms. Cantrell’s property that item can also be heard at the special meeting. A second to this was made by Mary Wennerstrom with five (5) for and none opposed. Motion carried.
15. Review and consider with discussion among council and action as necessary, to the resignation of Lesley Brown from the EDC. Mayor Pro-Tem LaJohnna Wells made a motion to accept the resignation of Lesley Brown from the EDC, 2nd by Council Member Andy Perdue, the vote was five (5) for and none opposed. Motion carried.
16. Review and consider with discussion among council and action as necessary; to approve Randy Sutton as a Board Member on the EDC. Council Member Kelly Logsdon made a motion to approve Randy Sutton as a Board Member on the EDC, 2nd by Mary Wennerstrom, the vote was five (5) for and none opposed. Motion carried.

The Council adjourned into Executive Session at 8:21 p.m. to discuss items 18-20.

1. Review and consider with discussion among council and action as necessary to grant funds to Shelly McClain’s Restaurant.
2. Review and consider with discussion among council and action as necessary to grant funds to Premier Boats.
3. Review and consider with discussion among council and action as necessary to grant funds to The Well.
4. Return from Executive Session and discuss any action because of Executive Session at 8:53 PM. A motion was made by City Council Member Mary Wennerstrom, 2nd by Morgan Longacre to grant funds from EDC to Shelly McClain’s , Premier Boats and The Well.
5. A motion was made to adjourn by Council Member Andy Perdue, 2nd by Kelly Logsdon. The meeting was adjourned at 8:53pm by Mayor Pro-Tem LaJohnna Wells.

**If during the course of this meeting covered by this notice, the City Council should determine that a closed or executive session of the City Council or consultation with the City Attorney is legally permissible and should be held or is required, then such closed or executive session shall be held concerning any items on the agenda which are permissible pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act including, but not limited to, the following purposes:**

Texas Government Code:

**Section 551.071 – consultation with attorney.**

**Section 551.072 - discussion of the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.**

**Section 551.074 – discussion of personnel or to hear a complaint against personnel or**

**a public official**.

**Section 551.087**- discussion by Economic Development Commissions

Charlotte Witherspoon

City Secretary

These minutes passed and approved the 13th day of July 2023.

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Skippy Waters, Mayor

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Charlotte Witherspoon, City Secretary