

Agenda
Town of Poetry
Special Town Council Meeting

Tuesday, June 29th, 2021

6:30 pm

At Faith Temple Baptist Church 11214 Fm 1565 Poetry, 75160

- a) Call meeting to Order
- b) Roll Call to Confirm Quorum
- c) Pledge of Allegiance (led by councilmember Tom Anderson)
- d) Invocation

CITIZEN COMMENTS: Persons wishing to speak on any posted agenda item may do so when the individual item is opened for consideration by the Council. Speakers will be limited to three (3) minutes unless a longer period of time is allowed by law for use of a translator. Persons wishing to speak must sign up at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting by emailing contact@poetrytexas.org or by signing up in person at meeting location from 6-6:30 pm with name, address and agenda item on which to there is a desire to speak. You must be signed up to speak during the meeting. Comments should be respectful with no personal attacks. To preserve the order and decorum of meeting of the Town council, any person who makes, profane, slanderous or threatening remarks or who becomes disruptive during the meeting will be asked to leave the Council Chambers. (Loc. Gov. Code 38.13, 42.05)

e) Items of Community Interest

Pursuant to Section 5510415 of the Texas Government Code, the Town Council may report on the following items: 1) expression of thanks, congratulations, or condolences; 2) information about holiday schedules; 3) recognition of individuals; 4) reminders about upcoming Town Council events; 5) about community events; and 6) announcements involving imminent threat to public health and safety.

1) Gifts to the Town:

- * Judy Graham—American Flag,
- * Lance Gooden—American flag flown from US Capitol
- * Staff of Tack & Ag—Gold-trimmed Bible for swearing in staff
- * Brett Patterson [Ace Décor & Finishes, Inc.] \$3800 worth of texture, paint & labor to the Town Hall refurbishment (leasehold improvements) to the Campground Cemetery Inc. Church annex building.

- 2) **The mailbox is official now.** The Town of Poetry can receive mail at 20425 FM 986 Poetry, Texas via the 911 addressing office.

3) INTRODUCTION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT LEADERS

- *Richard Hill—Hunt County
- *Steve Howie—Kaufman County
- *Terry Van Sickle—Poetry EMC
- *Annette Moiorano—Poetry EMC, Assistant

f) Consent Agenda

Items listed on the consent agenda allow the Council to approve all items together without discussion or individual motions.

- 1) Approval of minutes from the June 15th, 2021 Regular Town Hall meeting.
- 2) Approval of Ordinance for Part time Secretary office position as amended.

g) Regular Agenda

- 1) Discuss and action of Environment Health Service agreement with Hunt County—allow Hunt County to do all the inspection work and for septic systems. We have a citizen awaiting action on this measure.
- 2) Discuss and consider action to select a town attorney and possibly authorize an execution of a **Non-Disclosure “firewall” agreement with Patricia Adams of the Messer-Fort-McDonald Law Firm**. Discuss an engagement agreement.
- 3) Discuss and consider volunteers who want to be on the Citizens Committee for Solid Waste Vendors namely; Cindy Sykora, Katy, Kim Staman, Ivy Campbell to research, meet and make recommendations to the Council at the next Regular Town Meeting.
- 4) Councilmember Fowler to report findings with Kaufman County as reported from Sheriff Beaver. Discuss and consider.
- 5) Discuss and consider the proposed budget deadline for newspaper of July 16th. [Meaning ad must be submitted to paper by July 9th]

h) General Public Comments -Limited to two (2) minutes. If translator is needed, it may be up to four (4) minutes.

[Sign up is required BEFORE the meeting is Called to Order (a)]

*Be aware that council can only respond with **factual information only**.*

They may consider putting concerns on future agenda.

i) Adjournment

The council may go into closed session at any time when permitted by Chapters 418 or 551, Texas Government Code, or Section 321.3022 of the Texas Tax Code. Before going into closed session, a quorum of the Council must be assembled in the meeting room, the meeting must be convened as an open meeting pursuant to proper notice, and the presiding officer must announce that a closed session will be held and must identify the sections of Chapter 551 or 418, Texas Government Code, or Section 321.3022 of the Texas Tax Code authorizing the closed session.

Notes: Disabled persons requiring special assistance are requested to notify the Town of Poetry 24 hours in advance of the meeting by calling the Mayor's office at 214-317-8128.

I certify that the above notice of meeting was posted at 10425 FM 986 Poetry Texas on the 26th day of June, 2021 at 4:45 pm.

Tara Senkevech, Mayor