

Agenda
Town of Poetry **Regular Town**
Council Meeting

Tuesday, July 20th , 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 Mike Jaffe)
- 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 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) *Condolences to Terrell Volunteer FD in their sudden **loss of firefighter Jim Crumby** aged 35 yrs over the July 4th Holiday weekend from unknown cause. A celebration of life will be held Saturday, July 31st, 2021 at Rock Church in Terrell. For those wishing to honor Jim, memorials may be made to the Terrell VFD at 200 S. Frances St. Terrell.*
- 2) *TX Dept of State Health Services Announcement re: June 21st change. (Sent June 29th, 2021)*
- 3) **Camp Ground Work day Saturday July 24th, 2021 9-5 pm** [Siding, stripping floors, etc.]
- 4) *Poetry Water Supply Corp. voted to provide Camp Ground Church with a water meter free of charge as well as the first year of water supply free of charge.*

f) Reports

- 1) *Road Report*
- 2) *Church Annex (aka Town Hall) Refurbishment report*

g) 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 29th, 2021 Special Town Hall meeting.
- 2) Approval of Resolution No. 2021-06-R2 for Environmental Health Services Agreement with the Hunt County Health Department.
- 3) Approval of Non-Disclosure Agreement with requested amendments with Patricia Adams of the Messer-Fort-McDonald Law Firm.

h) Regular Agenda

- 1) Discuss and consider the Request for Proposal (RFP) for Depository Agreement—vetted by Patricia Adams already. [Notices are already running in newspaper]. *Requirement of 21 days prior to deadline means RFP in some form needs approval tonight.*
- 2) Discuss and consider the Ordinance for Emergency Management Services for Poetry.
- 3) Citizens Committee for Solid Waste Solutions to report on their research and recommendations. Questioning and discussion about recommendations.
- 4) Discuss and consider the Ordinance for Solid Waste Collection in our Area.
- 5) Discuss and consider the engagement contract of Messer, Fort & McDonald PLLC as written.
- 6) Discuss and consider growth in the area and potential need for managing that growth. Consider and take appropriate action regarding the formation of a Planning and Zoning Commission, membership, and next steps for zoning regulations.
- 7) Discuss and consider any needed modifications to the October 1, 2021-Sept. 30th, 2022 budget. Changes are in color.

- 8) Discuss the Referendum needed for the Sales and Use Tax with deadline mid-August to be put on ballot as follows.

"The adoption of a local sales and use tax in Town of Poetry, Texas at the rate of 2 percent (2%) to provide revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets."

- i) **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.*

j) **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 20425 FM 986 Poetry Texas on the 16th day of July 2021 at 5 pm and online at poetrytexas.org.

Tara Senkevech, Mayor