

Agenda
Town of Poetry
Special Town Council Meeting

November 22, 2022

6:30 pm

Faith Temple Baptist Church
11214 FM 1565 Poetry, 75160

- a) Call Town Council to order.
- b) Roll call to confirm quorum. —Evie Anderson, Volunteer Clerk
- c) Pledge of allegiance
- d) Invocation.
- e) **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 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 the meeting location from 6:00-6:30 pm with name, address, and an 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 the 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. (Texas Penal Code §§ 38.13, 42.05)
- f) **Items of Community Interest:**
Pursuant to Section 551.0415 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 upcoming Town Council events; 5) about community events, and 6) announcements involving an imminent threat to public health and safety.
**Thanks to Brian & Sheri Vinson, Kevin & Josh Senkevech, Kerri & Kyle Jeffrey for cutting a huge tree out of the road during the Nov. storm.*
**Thanks to Tom Anderson for erecting the Town Hall Flag Pole (donated by Tack & Ag). *Thanks to Kevin Senkevech for working on plumbing connections.*
- g) **Regular Agenda:**

Executive Session: In accordance with Texas Government Code, Section 551.001, et seq., the Town Council will recess into Executive Session (closed meeting) to discuss the following:

1. Texas Government Code Section 551.071, Consultation with Attorney, to conduct a

private consultation with its attorney on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflict with this chapter: investigation of incorporation election.

2. Texas Government Code Section 551.074, Personnel Matters, to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer: town attorney.

3. Reconvene into Open Session and take action, if any, on matters discussed in Executive Session.

4. Discuss and consider an Ordinance of the Town Council an Ordinance of the Town Council of the Town of the Town of Poetry, Texas, canvassing and declaring the results of the November 8th, 2021 Special Election held for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of the Town the Ballot Proposition of whether to adopt the levy of a sales and use tax for street maintenance at a rate of one and one half percent (1.5%) to provide for maintenance and repair of municipal streets.

5. Discuss and take action on Ground Lease Agreement with Longhorn Organics, LLC. for parking and driveway access.

6. Discuss and take action on amended Insurance rates as presented by TML Risk Insurance to meet the lease agreement standards and to provide protection for town's volunteers.

7. Discuss and take action on changing the Regular December Meeting to Tuesday, December 13th owing to the Holiday week.

h) General Public Comments: Comments are limited to three (3) minutes. If a translator is needed, the speaker may be granted up to four (4) minutes. Sign-up is required BEFORE the Meeting is called to order. Be aware that the Town Council can only respond with *factual information only*. The Town Council may consider putting citizen concerns on a future agenda.

i) Adjournment

NOTE: The Town Council reserves the right to meet in Executive Session closed to the public at any time in the course of this meeting to discuss matters listed on the agenda, as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, including Sec. 551.071 (private consultation with the attorney for the Town); Sec. 551.072 (purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property); Sec. 551.074 (personnel or to hear complaints against personnel); Sec. 551.076 (deployment, or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices); and Sec. 551.087 (economic development negotiations). Any decision held on such matters will be taken or conducted in Open Session following the conclusion of the Executive 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 the meeting was posted at 5671 CR 323 Poetry Texas on this 19th day of November 2021 by 6:30 pm and online at poetrytexas.org.

Tara Senkevech, Mayor