

NOTICE OF TOWN COUNCIL MEETING FOR THE TOWN OF CROSS ROADS TUESDAY JULY 6, 2021 AT 7:00 P.M.

LOCATION: <u>VIRTUAL and IN PERSON</u> at 1401 FM 424, CROSSROADS, TEXAS 76227

Called to order at 7:01 P.M.

- 1. Roll Call: Mayor Tompkins, Council Members Phillips, Meek, King, Gaalema, and White-Stevens
- 2. Invocation led by **Dan Franke**.
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance led by Greg Gaalema.
- 4. Council Member Announcements and Updates. White-Stevens wanted to clear up potential misunderstanding regarding discussion of Diane Bartek as an NEPD Commissioner; she feels Diane would bring valuable, professional experience to the Commission. She thanked staff for the police chief hiring events. She stated the Vision meeting was great and Debbie Womack is doing a great service to the town.

King stated the Vision meeting was incredible.

Meek echoed White-Stevens and King, adding the Vision meeting was very well done and vision planning went well.

- 5. Mayor Announcements and Updates. Tompkins stated the Oak Shores project is on course, the Town Hall move is on target, and the renovation of the police building has begun. He explained sound specialists are working on audio solutions for Council Chambers. He announced the Cross Roads Times newsletter will be sent out soon.
- 6. Committee and Commissions Announcements and Updates. Kristi gave an update on upcoming committee meetings.
- Citizens Input (Items on the agenda and not on the agenda) Garrett Smith spoke in regards to applicants to the new police department. Susan Steve Tidwell spoke against allowing fireworks. Larry Fisher spoke about holding property owners responsible for roadside and ditch maintenance.
- 8. Updates; Discussion of Same.
 - Town Administrator Announcements and Updates Kristi Gilbert
 - Building Permits and Development
 - Law Enforcement

Commercial developments in progress include construction of Raising Cane's, Atwoods, and Bank of America. Tenant finish outs are Edward Jones and Dunkin Donuts.

9. Discuss and consider traffic related issues at the intersection of Walmart Drive and US 380.

Gilbert explained initial research is in progress and an update will be provided at the next meeting.

10. Discuss and consider action on proposed murals for a commercial building located at 11620 US 380 for Raising Canes.

Motion to approve the mural and deny the other signs made by Meek; Second by Phillips; Roll Call Vote: Phillips – Yes Meek – Yes King – Yes Gaalema – Yes White-Stevens – Yes Passed unanimously.

- 11. Receive a presentation and discuss amendments to the Town's fee schedule. **Gilbert gave presentation.**
- 12. Discuss and consider bulk pick-up services with Waste Connections. Council discussed solid waste services for bulk pick-up and suggested a solid waste agreement be on an upcoming agenda.
- 13. Discuss and consider approval of a resolution designating signatories for the Town of Cross Roads.

Motion to approve made by Phillips; Second by White-Stevens; Roll Call Vote: Phillips – Yes Meek – Yes King – Yes Gaalema – Yes White-Stevens – Yes Passed unanimously.

- 14. Discuss and consider approval of meeting minutes:
 - a. June 21, 2021 Regular Council Meeting
 - b. June 26, 2021 Called Council Meeting

Motion to approve made by Meek; Second by Phillips; Roll Call Vote: Phillips – Yes Meek – Yes King – Yes Gaalema – Yes White-Stevens – Yes Passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - 8:12 P.M.

- 15. The Town Council will convene into Executive Session pursuant Texas Government Code, annotated, Chapter 551, Subchapter D for the following:
 - Section 551.071 Consultation with Attorney Consultation with and legal advice from the Town Attorney regarding the formation of the Cross Roads Police Department.
 - b. Texas Government Code, Section 551.074 Deliberation Regarding Personnel Matters – to the duties of a public officer: Police Chief

Reconvened into Regular Session – 8:57 P.M.

16. Take action as may be necessary or appropriate on matters discussed in Executive session.

Motion to rescind offer to Chief Brian Windham made by Meek; Second by Gaalema. Roll Call Vote: Phillips – Yes Meek – Yes King – Yes Gaalema – Yes White-Stevens – Yes Passed unanimously.

Motion to extend a conditional offer of employment to Shaun Short contingent on successfully passing a full background check and extend the same contract that was offered to Brian Windham made by Gaalema; Second by Meek. Roll Call Vote: Phillips – No Meek – Yes King – Yes Gaalema – Yes White-Stevens – Yes Passed 4 to 1.

17. Council requests for future agenda items.

Adjourn – 8:59 P.M.

T. Lynn Tompkins, Jr., Town Mayor

Donna Butler, Town Secretary