

SPECIAL BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING
LONE STAR CITY COUNCIL
FIRE HALL – 201 WEST INDUSTRIAL
August 3, 2022 at 6:00 PM

*We reserve the right to enter into Executive Session on any Agenda item pertaining to
TEX. GOV'T CODE ANN. Sections 551.071-551.078, 551.087-551.089*

In compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, of the Texas Government Code, the City of Lone Star issues this public notice. If, during the course of the meeting, any discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in executive or closed session, the board will convene in such executive or closed session in accordance with Section 551 of the Texas Government Code, Et Seq. The City Council will consider and act on the following items:

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on the meeting notice.

MINUTES

Present were - Mayor Randy Hodges, Mayor Pro-Tem Jerri Chism, Aldermen Rudy Dudley, Tony Johnson, Cody Wommack, and City Secretary Tina Love. Absent were Aldermen Mona Brown and Tony Johnson.

1. **CALL TO ORDER – Randy Hodges at 6:07 PM**
2. **ACTION ITEMS:**

Review and discussion of the 2022-2023 General Fund and Water & Sewer Fund Budgets and proposed property tax rate for 2023.

The General Fund, Water & Sewer Budget packages and a proposed property tax calculation summary sheet were provided to council for review. The current tax rate is 0.511 per \$100 valuation. Tax rates proposed for consideration were identified as 0.471, 0.472, and 0.473 per \$100 valuation. Cody Wommack asked if the city had considered adopting a 3-2-1 discount option for tax payments. This allows a three percent discount to citizens if the taxes are paid within the first month after tax statements are mailed and reduces a percent each month thereafter until the end of January. This option had not been considered and was asked to be placed on the agenda for the next City Council meeting. Discussions continued about what tax rate to propose to county so a public hearing and meeting could be scheduled and published in the local newspaper.

A motion to propose a 0.473 tax rate to county to assess taxes and prepare notices for publication was made by Rudy Dudley, with a second from Jerri Chism. Two voted for, and one voted against.

3. ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn was made by Cody Womack with a second from Jerri Chism. Two voted for; one voted against.

/s/ Randy Hodges
Mayor

/s/ Tina Love
Secretary