



Minutes

Regular Meeting – September 17th, 2015
Oran White Civic Center 6:00 pm

Agenda Items

1. Call to Order @ 6:00pm
2. Roll Call: Kathryn Pinnell, Phil Ringley, Donny Daniel, Mike Barr, Roland Napoles and Randy Whitehurst
(a) Establish Quorum with Mayor Daniel presiding.
3. Invocation and Pledge was led by Mayor Daniel.
4. Citizen Comments: Citizens wishing to speak may indicate such on sign in sheet. Gerie Mosley, Beatrice Gonzales, Martha Gibson and Shirley Arnold all spoke stating their support of the City passing an ad valorem tax freeze for 65 and older homestead residents.
5. Approve Minutes: August 20th 2015. Motion to approve was made by Council Member Ringley, second by Council Member Barr. Motion passed 5-0.
6. Approve Consent Agenda Items “A” thru “E” as presented: Monthly Activity Reports for August 2015: (A) Municipal Court Report; (B) Police/Animal Control/Code Enforcement Report; (C) Financial and Expenditure Report; (D) Maintenance/Street Department Report and (E) Building Department Report. Motion to approve was made by Council Member Napoles, second by Council Member Whitehurst. Motion passed 5-0.

New Business

1. Discuss / take action to adopt ordinance 2015-04B, Budget for fiscal year 2015-2016. Motion to adopt Ordinance 2015-04B was made by Council Member Napoles second by Council Member Pinnell. Motion passed 5-0.
2. Discuss / take action to ratify property tax for fiscal year budget 2015-2016: “I move that the property tax rate be decreased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.464360, which is equal to the effective tax rate. Motion was made by Council Member Ringley second by Council Member Barr. Motion passed 5-0.
3. Discuss / take action to adopt ordinance 2015-04T, Tax Rate for fiscal year 2015-2016. Motion to adopt Ordinance 2015-04T was made by Council Member Whitehurst second by Council Barr. Motion passed 5-0
4. General Discussion on passing an ad valorem tax freeze ordinance. Four Citizens addressed Council Members petitioning for their support of an ad valorem tax freeze. After brief discussions Mayor Daniel instructed the City Secretary to get with the City Attorney to draft an Ordinance adopting an ad valorem tax freeze.
5. General Discussion on raising sales tax by way of local option election. Mayor Daniel informed Council and attendees that the City is currently not at the maximum allowed sales tax rate and asked that everyone consider putting a 1% increase on the next general election ballot.

Old Business

General Discussions

(No formal action can or will be taken)

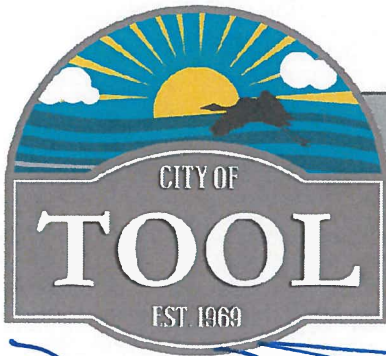
7. Staff – Maintenance Supervisor Frank Martin gave a street update and stated that plans had already begun for next fiscal year projects. Mayor Daniel commended city staff for their loyalty and dedication to the City.
8. Citizens

Closing

9. Announce time and date for next meeting – October 15th 2015
10. Adjourn – Motion to adjourn was made by Council Member Barr, second by Council Member Pinnell at 6:35 pm. Motion passed 5-0

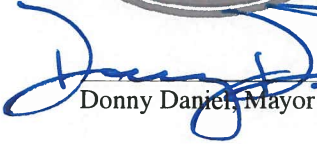
Passed and approved this 15th day of October, 2015

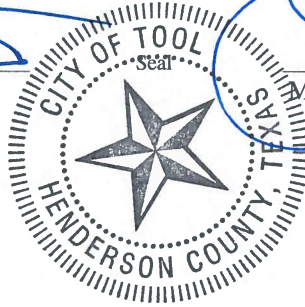
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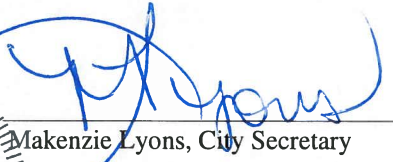


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Makenzie Lyons, City Secretary