

**CITY OF REYNOLDS**  
**October 20, 2025 @ 6:30 pm**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council convened at 6:33 p.m. on Monday, October 20th, 2025, at the Train Depot with the announcement of a quorum.

**READING OF THE DECORUM:** Councilman Brandon Hunter

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Fred Waller, Mayor Pro-tem Tommy Beeland, Danny Peed, Hiram Couch, Brandon Hunter, Hannah Sloan, and City Clerk Sissy McLaughlin.

**MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:** Timishea Price

**INVOCATION:** Mayor Fred Waller

**FIRE CHIEF REPORT**

Chief Sam McCrary reported that the fire department has had numerous calls to the same location due to faulty equipment. The fire department is getting this situation handled before the city has to step in.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

- Danny Peed made a motion to adopt the agenda with changes adding “55 E. Calhoun-water issue” under Other Business and adding “Personnel” to executive session. Hiram Couch seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- September Work Session Meeting – Brandon Hunter made a motion to approve the work session minutes. Danny Peed seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.
- September Council Meeting – Brandon Hunter made a motion to approve the council meeting minutes. Tommy Beeland seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Finance Committee: - Danny Peed reported the 15% increase in health insurance benefits.

Property Committee: - Ribbon Cutting at the Reynolds Library for the Rosalyn Carter Butterfly Garden on October 25<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am.

Police Committee: - Hiram Couch thanked the police department for their continued support and dedication.

**TAYLOR COUNTY FAMILY CONNECTIONS REPORT** - Council read printed report.

**FINANCE REPORT** - City Clerk advised council that tax bills will be mailed out November 20<sup>th</sup> with a due date of January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

City held “Meet the Candidates” co-hosting with the City of Reynolds Womens Club.

City Clerk announced the city will be holding Christmas tree lighting, Taylor Made Market and visit with Santa on Dec 6<sup>th</sup> starting at 4pm to 8pm.

#### **POLICE REPORT**

- GCIC audit time to remain compliant with the state.
- TAC conference held Oct 26<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>.
- Department will hold movie night on Oct 25<sup>th</sup>.
- November 14<sup>th</sup> will be the DARE graduation.

#### **PUBLIC WORKS REPORT**

The USDA is shutdown right now so the project cannot move forward.

The city got a waiver from EPD regarding the drum screen replacement project to move forward.

The city has placed an order for new playground equipment. Once we get a delivery date, I will keep everyone up to date.

Public Works department is also making repairs to the existing playground, replacing rotten wood, and painting it. The department also ran water around the walk track and electricity to the pavilion.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- **Depot Roof Repair** - Nationwide Contracting - will work on a contingency with the city so that company will get the roof fixed. Danny Peed made a motion to allow Nationwide Contracting to work on behalf of the city to fix the depot roof. Hannah Sloan seconded the motion. All voted in favor and motion carried.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- **Millage Rate** - Danny Peed made a motion to approve the millage rate at 16.411 for the year 2025. Brandon Hunter seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.
- **Lighting on Garland T Byrd Trail** – no lighting
- **Santa Sleigh** – tabled.
- **Christmas Bonus** – Hannah Sloan made a motion to give all full-time employees \$500.00, and employees less than a year of employment will receive \$100.00 for Christmas bonuses. Danny Peed seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.
- **Christmas Decorations** - Danny Peed made a motion to approve the purchase of Christmas decorations (train and merry Christmas sign) out of the SPLOST funds. Hiram Couch seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Danny Peed made a motion to adjourn out of regular meeting session at 7:16 pm. Brandon Hunter seconded the motion. All voted in favor and motion carried.

Danny Peed made a motion to come back into regular meeting session at 7:23 pm. Tommy Beeland seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

- 55 East Calhoun Street – water

**EXECUTIVE SESSION – Personnel**


Danny Peed made a motion to go into executive session at 8:08 pm. Hannah Sloan seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.


Danny Peed made a motion to come out of executive session at 8:09 pm. Hannah Sloan seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Council decided to have a Special Called Meeting on Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 pm regarding the Personnel Policy Handbook.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Hannah Sloan made a motion at 8:10 p.m. to adjourn. Tommy Beeland seconded. All voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned.

  
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Mayor

  
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City Clerk