

July 7, 2025

Minutes

In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act (TX. GOVT. CODE, Title 5-C, Chap. 551), Frost City Aldermen held a Regular Business Meeting at 6:00 P.M. June 2, 2025 at City Hall, 100 N. Garitty St. Present: Mayor Pro-Tem Shannon Wayman, Aldermen: Amber Whitley, Megan Welborn, Stormi Upton and Johnny Sutton. Absent: Mayor Anthony "Tony" Harris. Others present: Juli Reeves, Velma Ballew, Debra Feuerherdt, Ronnie Cooper, Gary Wayman and Emilie with NavCo Chronicle.

1. Quorum was established and meeting opened at 6:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance the U.S. and TX Flags. Invocation given by Mayor Pro-Tem Shannon Wayman.
2. Citizens Comments – Velma Ballew spoke on the duties of the City Council and Mayor.
3. Judge Connie Hickman spoke and gave information about the courts responsibility to collect fine money. She stated she had been watching it for a while to see if any sizable amount of money has been coming in as we have about \$172,000 in uncollected fines and fees. The City Attorney has given them a 30 day notice to cure the problem and that 30 days ends tomorrow, July 9, 2025 and we have not seen anything from them. She has met with them and they have wanted to show her reports however, she cares about results, which are not being seen. Frost has not heard from the current agency since they sent the termination and she wants to enter into a new contract with McCreary, Veselka, Bragg & Allen, P.C. and they have stated we would receive activity reports every 45 days. They have skip tracing based on utilities, etc as well as many different ways of locating a person in hopes of collecting on the outstanding violations. She asked that the contract be signed and returned to the new agency
4. Consent Items- No Police report and no court report as the court system was down for maintenance. Alderman Johnny Sutton made motion to accept the consent items, Alderman Megan Welborn seconded – passed.
5. Mayor's Report – Work has started at the sewer plant through the CDBG grant and expecting about 6 months for completion. This grant included the smoke testing and there was about 30 plus thousand dollars in repairs needed, however, we may have that money left in the grant to make the repairs. She has asked them to apply for the amendment.

There have been several repairs of equipment over the last several weeks and hopefully we have gotten everything taken care of and back in service.

Working to identify what is city property and what we need to take care of as far as mowing.

Meeting set up to discuss our options for the Police Department. Will have results of that meeting at next council.

Since there is no code enforcement or police department at this time, should a citizen have a concern regarding code enforcement they can come to City Hall and fill out a complaint form with the City Secretary and that will be forwarded to the City Attorney and she will determine the next best step. Alderman Amber Whitley brought attention to the trash that is still on the sewing factory property from our clean up in May and was

reassured that we are speaking with Republic trying to figure out the best way to get it all removed.

6. Mayor Anthony (Tony) Harris has resigned. By law after 8 days, the resignation is automatically enacted, so there are a couple of options. The position can be backfilled by the council and they have up to 120 days or it can be filled now. Alderman Johnny Sutton made a motion to appoint Shannon Wayman as the Mayor, Alderman Stormi Upton seconded, motion passed.
7. Shannon Waymans term as Mayor Pro-Tem ended so at this time the council has 120 days to fill that position or fill it immediately. Alderman Johnny Sutton made motion for Megan Welborn to be appointed Mayor Pro-Tem, Alderman Stormi Upton seconded, motion passed.
8. Alderman Stormi Upton made a motion to remove Tony Harris from all bank accounts, Alderman Megan Welborn seconded, motion passed.
9. Alderman Stormi Upton made a motion to add Megan Welborn to all bank accounts and to have a debit card issued in her name. Alderman Johnny Sutton seconded, motion passed.
10. Budget Timeline – 8/4/25 is the regular meeting night, 8/11 budget workshop and 9/3 final proposed budget date. Alderman Stormi Upton made motion to approve these days, Alderman Johnny Sutton seconded, motion passed.
11. Alderman Johnny Sutton made motion to move September’s meeting date to 9/3/25 because of the Labor Day holiday. Alderman Megan Welborn seconded, motion passed.
12. City Secretary Juli Reeves swore in Shannon Wayman as the new Mayor of the City of Frost, Texas.
13. Alderman Megan Welborn made a motion to adjourn, Alderman Johnny Sutton seconded, motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Mayor Pro-Tem Shannon Wayman

Juli Reeves, City Secretary