

MINUTES OF REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The City of Spearman, Texas, met in Regular Session in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 30 SW Court, on June 16, 2026, with Mayor Tobe Shields presiding. Council members present: Frank Salgado, Brian Gillispie, Don Schroeder, Roger Buchanan, and Grace Pshigoda. Staff present: City Manager James Piper, City Secretary Dana Sharp, Utilities & Public Works Superintendent Steven Dettmer, Police Chief James Ortiz, and EDC Director Bonnie Thompson. Volunteer Firefighters present: Ryan Wells and Audra Wells. Citizens present: Sharron Swan, Christina Dettmer and Lila Flores.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Shields at 7:01 a.m.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The invocation and pledge of allegiance was led by Buchanan.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Audra Wells handed out wrist bands to council for the SVFD Association fundraiser and gave a brief description of the event. She requested picnic tables and barricades from the City.

DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

May 19, 2026 – Regular Meeting

Motion was made Buchanan to approve the minutes from the May 19, 2026, meeting. Second by Gillispie.

Motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE MONTHLY REPORTS

Fire	Code Enforcement	Public Works	Animal Control
Police	Municipal Court	Administration	SEDCorp

Motion was made by Schroeder to approve the monthly reports from each department. Second by Pshigoda.

Motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE MONTHLY FINANCIALS

Motion was made by Salgado to approve the monthly financials for May 2026. Second by Gillispie.

Motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPOINT A MAYOR PRO-TEM

Motion was made by Gillispie to appoint Roger Buchanan as Mayor Pro-Tem. Second by Schroeder.

Motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE BOARD APPOINTMENTS FOR ONE (1) SEAT ON EACH LISTED BOARD: ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT, PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION, HOUSING BOARD AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD

The following motion was made by Gillispie, second by Buchanan and carried unanimously.

- Zoning Board of Adjustment – Kay Chinn to replace Donna McCubbin expires 2027; Cheryl Salgado to fill vacancy expires 2028
- Planning & Zoning – Bruce Hawkins to replace Charles Elliott expires 2028
- Housing Board – Braedon Vernor to replace Linda Wilkerson expires 2028
- EDC – Tabled for possible Chamber representative to fill vacancy expires 2028

DISCUSS ORDINANCES RELATING TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

Discussion was had.

APPROVAL OF CITY MANAGER RECOMMENDATION FOR APPOINTMENT OF FIRE CHIEF

City Manager Piper recommended naming Interim Chief Ryan Wells as the new Fire Chief to fulfill the current term that expires in May 2027.

Motion was made by Gillispie to accept the recommendation. Second by Schroeder.

Motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE ANNUAL RENEWAL OF THE TEXAS HEALTH BENEFITS POOL (TXHBP) EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE BENEFITS PLAN

Motion was made by Schroeder to approve the annual renewal of TXHBP plan with no cost increase.

Second by Salgado.

Motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON RECOMMENDATION FROM THE CITY MANAGER OF THE ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGE TO FILL POSITIONS OF ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER/CITY SECRETARY AND PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

Motion was made by Salgado to accept the recommendation to name Dana Sharp the Assistant City Manager/City Secretary and Steven Dettmer as the Public Works Director.

Second by Pshigoda.

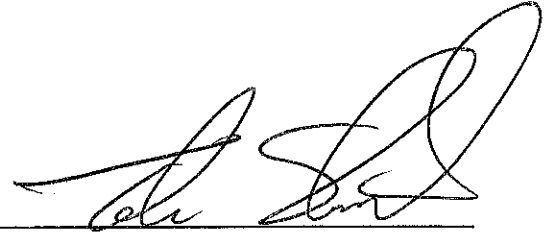
Motion carried unanimously.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

- Continuing to improve the audio on our livestreaming and looking at better mic options
- Began a plan for surveillance cameras
- Server migration is complete
- Beginning budget

ADJOURN

Meeting was adjourned by Mayor Shields at 8:28 A.M.

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MAYOR TOBE SHIELDS

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dana Sharp', written over a horizontal line.DANA SHARP
CITY SECRETARY