

TOWN OF FULTON

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Monday, December 21, 2020 @ 7:00 p.m.

Fulton Council Chambers, 201 N. 7th Street, Fulton, TX 78358

NOTICE: DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC THE SEATING WILL BE LIMITED; HOWEVER, PUBLIC MAY VIEW THE MEETING VIA ZOOM CONFERENCING AT <https://txcourts.zoom.us/j/97642790342> (Open) ZOOM MEETING INSTRUCTIONS ATTACHED

Present:

Kelli Cole, Mayor
Bob Loflin, Mayor Pro-Tem
Beverly Garis, Alderwoman
Mary Ann Pahmiyer, Alderwoman
Carl Biesenbach, Alderman
Mark Wagon, Alderman

Staff Present:

Stephanie Garcia, City Secretary
Ricky McLester, Chief of Police
Hal George, City Attorney

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fulton Town Council will hold a Regular Meeting on Monday, December 21, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. at the Fulton Town Council Chambers, 201 North Seventh Street, Fulton, Texas. The following subjects will be discussed to wit:

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
Mayor Cole called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE –U.S. Flag and Texas Flag**
Mayor Cole led everyone in the pledges.
3. **OBSERVE A MOMENT OF SILENCE/PRAYER**
Mayor Cole led everyone in a moment of silence.
4. **CITIZENS TO BE HEARD (PUBLIC FORUM)**
“Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the attorney general has said: “statutes that may be interpreted to require face-to-face interaction between members of the public and public officials are suspended; provided, however, that the governmental bodies must offer alternative methods of communicating with their public officials.” Public comment shall be provided in written format via email, post, or hand delivery to the City Secretary no later than 30 minutes prior to the start of the meeting. The Mayor will read the comments and they will be entered into the minutes of the meeting. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Council may not discuss or take action on any item that has not been posted on the agenda.”
No one came forward.

5. **CONSENT AGENDA** – “All consent agenda items listed are considered to be routine by the Town Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a council Member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.”

A. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove minutes of the Joint Town Council Public Hearing and Regular Meeting held on November 16, 2020.

Motion: *A motion was made by Beverly Garis and seconded by Mark Wagnon to approve the consent agenda item as presented. Motion carried unanimously.*

6. **ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:**

A. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove Contract for Election Services between the Elections Administrator of Aransas County and the Town of Fulton for the May 1, 2021 Election.
Mayor Cole

Motion: *A motion was made by Robert Loflin and seconded by Mark Wagnon to approve the Contract for Election Services between the Elections Administrator of Aransas County and the Town of Fulton for the May 1, 2021 Election. Motion carried unanimously.*

NOTICE TO PUBLIC: AT THIS TIME THE PUBLIC MAY BE ASKED TO VACATE THE BUILDING IN ORDER FOR THE COUNCIL TO REMAIN IN THE CHAMBER FOR CLOSED SESSION TO PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING

7. **CLOSED SESSION:**

The Town Council may elect to go into closed session pursuant to Chapter 551, Government Code on any Agenda item where appropriate and particularly Sections 551.071 (consultation with attorney) and 551.074 (personnel matters), Government Code.
Council did not convene into closed session.

OPEN SESSION:

Discuss/Approve/Disapprove any and all action necessary with regard to the preceding matter(s).
There was no action taken at this time.

8. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

A. Mayor's update.

Mayor Cole informed the Council that there will be a pier walk through on January 6, 2021. Mrs. Pahmiyer inquired as to the delivery of the air sanitation filters for the Fulton Convention Center. Mr. Loflin informed the Council that those will be delivered in the next few weeks.

B. The next Regular Fulton Town Council Meeting will be held Monday, January 4, 2021, beginning at 7:00 pm.

Mayor Cole informed the Council and public of the next meeting date and time.

8. **EXECUTIVE SESSION: PUBLIC NOTICE** is given that the Town Council may elect to go into executive session at any time during the meeting in order to discuss any matters listed on the agenda when authorized by the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code. If the Council elects to go into executive session regarding an agenda item, the section or sections of the Open Meetings Act authorizing the executive session will be publicly announced by the Mayor. The Council may deliberate and take action in open session on any issue that may be discussed in executive session.

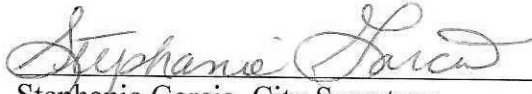
10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Cole entertained a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Beverly Garis that the meeting stand adjourned. Carl Biesenbach seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:04 p.m.



Kelli Cole, Mayor



Stephanie Garcia, City Secretary