

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTIES OF KAUFMAN AND HUNT
CITY OF POETRY, TEXAS**

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT ON THIS DAY OF THE 2nd of November, 2023 at 6:30 pm, the Town Council of Poetry, Texas, held a Workshop, and Special Town Council Meeting at 5671 CR 323, Poetry Town Hall with the following present:

Mayor Tara Senkevech
Councilmember Tom Anderson
Councilmember Mike Jaffe

Councilmember Simeon White
Councilmember Terry Fowler
Councilmember Jonathan Blake

Mayor Senkevech called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Robin Boles, Clerk confirmed quorum.
All council members were present.

Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation
Councilmember White led the pledge and invocation.

f: Mayor Tara Senkevech gives items of community interest;

*Thanks to Beau Dempsey of Longhorn Organics for removing the dead trees on the Town Hall property with his large equipment.

*Thanks to Kevin Senkevech for installing solar lighting poles at Town Hall.

*Town Cleanup is November 11th at Town Hall parking lot.

*The Town hall now has a phone number a- It is #469-902-7001. Town Hall is only open to the public Thursdays 1- 5 pm

g) Workshop Agenda

WORKSHOP Meeting 6:30 pm -7:30 pm.

Citizens will be given 3 minutes at the front of the workshop to speak regarding their views regarding zoning.

Tracie Hibbs makes comment on mailing of Zoning Changes to citizens, and about a Board of Adjustments. Citizen DJ Johnson makes request for zoning to keep Poetry country. Citizen Michelle Bailon concerns about Bed and Breakfast rules, beaches, water issues, and Tiki huts. Citizen Greg LaRossa wants zoning to keep out developers.

Council discusses heights of homes and buildings. Councilmember Fowler discusses fire concerns, and water management. Council discusses business rules, setbacks, green space, etc. Council and legal discuss various definitions.

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h) Secretary's Memo—Mayor Pro Tem, Mike Jaffe, to give Secretary's Report

i) Special Agenda:

1) Discuss and take action on the release from ETJ petition from Bishop Airfield Ranch, LLC.

Councilmember Jaffe gives report of conversations with Legislators about law, and with surveyor. Tracie Hibbs offers her opinion to Attorney Berman. Citizen Dale Bryant offers his opinion on meets and bounds. Shelley Smith expresses concern of the towns meets and bounds. Citizen Patrick Smith expresses general unhappiness with citizen questions. Council and legal discuss application stating that it does not have the legal requirements for a petition met. **Councilmember Anderson** makes motion to deny petition, seconded by **Councilmember White**. **Passes 4:1**

2) Discuss and take action on the Emard release from ETJ petition.

Tracie Hibbs expresses concern over Council's reasons for denial. Citizen Dale Bryant explains the discrepancy with petition. Council discusses issues with the measurements, but with minor correction it should be okay. Citizen Patrick Smith speaks on maps and surveys. **Councilmember White** makes motion to approve, seconded by **Councilmember Jaffe**. **Passes 4:1**

3) Discuss and take action on the Bryant release from ETJ petition.

Citizen Dale Bryant clarifies petition. Citizen Patrick Smith voices support of Bryant petition. Council discusses his petition appearing to have correct information. **Councilmember White** makes motion to approve, seconded by **Councilmember Jaffe**. **Passes 4:1**

4) Discuss and take action on Resolution for adopting fee for accepting and processing applications and petitions for the release of property from the Town's ETJ.

Tracie Hibbs voices her opinion in opposition to a fee. Citizen Dale Bryant desires a survey. Citizen Chad West disagrees with a fee. Shelley Smith disagrees with a fee. Citizen Patrick Smith feels the fee is retribution. Mayor discusses secretarial, legal and mapping time will be adding up significantly with these petitions. **Councilmember White** makes motion to approve \$125.00, seconded by **Councilmember Blake**. **Passes 3:2**

5) Discuss the annual renewal for M365 Business & Archiving license for 7, renewal expiring December 14th. [We only have the original from 2022 on file].

Tracie Hibbs speaks on TML. Shelley Smith accuses the Mayor of allowing volunteer Josh

Senkevech to sign a contract for the city. Councilmember White clarifies that it is a quote. Mayor stated that she signed the actual contract.

6) Discuss and take action on open cell or closed cell foam insulation with underneath the flooring for the Town Hall. Mayor explained on her research that closed cell foam is used for exterior surfaces such as a crawl space. **CM Fowler** confirmed. **Councilmember White** makes motion to approve Freedom Foam, 1.5 inch, closed cell, seconded by **Councilmember Blake. Passes 5:0**

j) Citizen Comments:

Citizen Dale Bryant says he just wants to get things right.

Mayor Senkevech adjourns meeting at 9:56 pm.