

Agenda

Town of Poetry

Public Hearing and Regular Town Council Meeting

Thursday, March 21st, 2024
Faith Temple Baptist Church
11214 FM 1565
Poetry, TX 75160
6:30 pm

- a) Call the Town Council to order.
- b) Roll call to confirm quorum— City Secretary, Anne Hamilton
- c) Pledge of allegiance—Darrell Watson
- d) Invocation—Darrell Watson
- e) **CITIZEN COMMENTS: Persons wishing to speak on any posted agenda item may do so when the individual item is opened for consideration by the Council. Speakers will be limited to 3 minutes unless a longer period of time is allowed by law for use of a translator. Persons wishing to speak must sign up at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting by emailing contact@poetrytexas.org or by signing up in person at the meeting location from 6:00-6:30 with name, address, and an agenda item on which there is a desire to speak. You must be signed up to speak during the meeting. Comments should be respectful with no personal attacks. To preserve the order and decorum of the meeting of the Town Council, any person who makes, profane, slanderous, or threatening remarks or who becomes disruptive during the meeting will be asked to leave the Council Chambers. (Texas Penal Code §§ 38.13, 42.05)**
- f) **Items of Community Interest:**

Pursuant to Section 551.0415 of the Texas Government Code, the Town Council may report on the following items: 1) expression of thanks, congratulations, or condolences; 2) information about holiday schedules; 3) recognition of individuals; 4) reminders upcoming Town Council events; 5) about community events, and 6) announcements involving an imminent threat to public health and safety.

*** Thanks to Volunteers who worked on Four Post Lane and Green Meadow Lane on Feb. 22nd:** Herbert Fletcher, Mike Griffin, Cliff Mangrum, Ken Phillips, Josh Senkevech, Kevin Senkevech, Mike Tillinghast, Darrell Watson, and Simeon White.

*** Thanks to volunteers working on Feb. 22nd mail out:** Jonathan Blake, Rae Hirogoyen, Tara Senkevech, and Simeon White. (Secretary Anne Hamilton and Deputy Secretary Theresa Scholander were paid.)

***Thanks to Volunteers who completed culvert repair on March 13th cr 2464 on March 1st:** Mike Broshous, Terry Fowler and Mike Jaffe. Chad Dalita for rock donation.

*** Thanks to Volunteers who worked on CR 249 for safety repairs:** Leland Barnett, Yasmin Barnett, two employees of LBJ Diversified, Herbert Fletcher, Ken Phillips, Kevin Senkevech, and Brian Vinson.

**The TCEQ Hearing regarding the potential rock crushing plant on Hwy 276 was unfortunately chosen for tonight in Quinlan at Ford High School at the same time as our zoning Public Hearing. We hope citizens are able to show up for that Important meeting. The conflict was unavoidable owing to legal restraints.*

g) Reports

1. **Financial**—
 - a) February end 2023
 - b) Sales & Use Tax Receipts
 - c) Solid Waste/Trash transition update

2. **Legal report**—Annexations—David Berman, Town Attorney

3. **Secretary's Report**—read by City Secretary Anne Hamilton

h) Public Hearing:

Discuss and take action on proposed **Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance and Comprehensive Zoning Map.**

i) Consent Agenda:

1. Minutes from January 18th, 2024 Meeting.
2. Minutes from February 15th, 2024 Meeting.
3. Pay February legal bill of \$ 682.50.
4. Pay annual TML Insurance renewal \$812.00.
5. Pay QuickBooks desktop renewal \$649.00

j) Regular Agenda:

- 1) Discuss and take action on allowing Volunteer Road Team \$3000 to take care of any of the following roads; CR 247, CR 248, CR 323, CR 324, Four Post Lane, Gate Lane, Green Meadow Lane in Kaufman County portion of Poetry, not completed by Kaufman County roads department.

- 2) Discuss changing CR road names to include names of poets and survey for such.

- 3) Discuss and take action on a Street Dynamics Solar-powered Speed and Communication device for Roadways to collect data desired for grant applications for roadwork according to price-sheets provided.

- 4) Discuss and take action on Professional Engineering Services Agreement with Birkhoff, Hendricks & Carter, L.L.P. Hendricks Engineering with price lists.

- 5) Discuss and take action on the David Potts petition for release from the ETJ.

- 6) Discuss and take action on the Ryan Scott petition for release from the ETJ.
- 7) Discuss and take action on the Darrell Scott petition for release from the ETJ.
- 8) Discuss and take action on modifying the fee for petition for release from ETJ with single and multiple applications, with new information, and consider adjusting previous payments.
- 9) Discuss and take action on moving May regular meeting of May 16th to May 30th, 2024.
- 10) Discuss and take action on opening 2nd Annual Poetry Agricultural Scholarship application season beginning April 1st to May 31st 2024 with presentation/s in June.

k) General Public Comments: Comments are limited to three (3) minutes. If a translator is needed, the speaker may be given up to four (4) minutes. *Sign-up is required BEFORE the Meeting is called to order. Be aware that the Town Council can only respond with **factual information only. The Town Council may consider putting citizen concerns on a future agenda.***

l) Adjournment NOTE: The Town Council reserves the right to meet in Executive Session closed to the public at any time in the course of this meeting to discuss matters listed on the agenda, as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, including Sec. 551.071 (private consultation with the attorney for the Town); Sec. 551.072 (purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property); Sec. 551.074 (personnel or to hear complaints against personnel); Sec. 551.076 (deployment, or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices); and Sec. 551.087 (economic development negotiations). Any decision held on such matters will be taken or conducted in Open Session following the conclusion of the Executive Session.

Notes: Disabled persons requiring special assistance are requested to notify the Town of Poetry 24 hours in advance of the meeting by calling the mayor's office at 214-317-8128.

I certify that the above notice of the meeting was posted at 5671 CR 323 Poetry Texas on March 16th, 2024 by 6:30 pm and online at poetrytexas.org.

Tara Senkevech, Mayor