

**CITY OF RISING STAR**  
**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR CALLED MEETING**  
**OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL**  
**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2021**  
**104 N MILLER**  
**RISING STAR, TX 76471**

**AGENDA ITEM # 1                    CALL TO ORDER**

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Jimmy Carpenter.

Council Present:                    Betsy Herron, Johnny Hubbard, John Mashburn, Ross Self

Council Absent:                    Ben Childers

Staff Present:                    Jan Clark-City Administrator, Chad Goldston-Chief of Police

Guest Present:                    Bill Thomas, Judy Kirby, Jay Benson, Angela Fortune, Britt Vaughn

**AGENDA ITEM # 2                    PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION**

Pledge of Allegiance said by all and the Invocation was said by John Mashburn.

**AGENDA ITEM # 3                    CITIZENS INPUT**

None

**AGENDA ITEM # 4                    APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion made by Mashburn and seconded by Herron to approve the Regular Minutes of the August 12, 2021 meeting.

Motion carried 4-0

**AGENDA ITEM # 5                    DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF STAFF REPORTS**

Financial Reports including Utility and Police were reviewed.

Motion made by Self and seconded by Mashburn to approve reports as presented.

Motion carried 4-0

**AGENDA ITEM # 6                    APPROVE PROPERTY TAX RATE OF \$0.633597 PER \$100. ASSESSED VALUE.**

Motion made by Hubbard and seconded by Self to approve the Property Tax Rate for 2021-2022 of \$0.633597 per \$100. Assessed Value.

Motion carried 4-0

**AGENDA ITEM # 7**

**APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE NO 2021-9-9 REGARDING  
SETTING THE TAX LEVY FOR THE YEAR 2021**

Motion made by Herron and seconded by Mashburn to approve Ordinance No.  
2021-9-9- Setting Tax Levy for 2021.

Motion carried 4-0

**AGENDA ITEM # 8**

**APPROVAL OF THE RENEWAL OF ORDINANCE 2017-1-1  
REGARDING JUVENIE CURFEW.**

City Administrator explained that the Juvenile Curfew has to be renewed every three years.

Motion made by Self and seconded by Hubbard to approve Ordinance No 2017-1-1- Juvenile  
Curfew.

Motion carried 4-0

**AGENDA ITEM # 9**

**DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT WITH  
GRANTWORKS REGARDING ADMINISTRATION SERVICES  
FOR THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT.**

An Agreement between the City of Rising Star and GrantWorks regarding  
Administration services was reviewed.

Motion made by Mashburn and seconded by Herron to approve Agreement with  
GrantWorks for Administration Services regarding the American Rescue Plan Act.

Motion carried 4-0

**AGENDA ITEM # 11**

**DISCUSSION OF THE 1033 EQUIPMENT**

Mayor Carpenter commented on the Federal Government 1033 Equipment the City acquired  
Several years ago. He would like to have an auction and all proceeds go toward the Rising Star  
Volunteer Fire Department. Discussion included getting a complete inventory list. Mayor  
Carpenter stated he would get an inventory and present at next meeting for further discussion.

**AGENDA ITEM # 12                      ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS**

1. American Rescue Act – Grant Funds.

City Administrator reported that the first half of the Grant Funds has been received in the Amount of \$ 101,716.13. A list of items that would be illegible to use the Grant would be: Generators for the Water and Wastewater Plants, a 3 way switch for Water, a blower for Wastewater, Walking trail and lights at City Park and 2 good used Police Pickups and both Pickups outfitted with all equipment.

Council agreed to the partial listing.

2. Benches/Tables at City Park

City Administrator commented that Tim Evans will begin construction of the tables within the next week.

3. Street Repairs

Commission Ronnie Wilson has reported that he and county crews will begin road repairs within the next week.

**AGENDA ITEM # 12                      COUNCIL COMMENTS**

None

**AGENDA ITEM # 10                      DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR  
ENDING SEPTEMBER 2022.**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION ENTERED AT 6:47 PM.** Regarding PERSONNEL, Section 551.074.

**REGULAR SESSION RECONVENED AT 7:18 PM**

Council reviewed budget for yr end 2022.

**ACTION TAKEN:**

Motion made by Self and seconded by Mashburn to approve Budget for 2021-2022 ending September 2022.

Motion carried 4-0

None

**AGENDA ITEM # 12**

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Mayor Carpenter reported that a group for aiding Hurricane Ida victims would like to a Wild Hog Benefit Cook-off at City Park.

Councilman Mashburn commented on a place to take old medications. He thought maybe the County had a drop box. Chief Goldston replied that he would look into it.

Councilwoman Herron commented on dilapated houses and unkept yards. Several guest in attendance had an input on the unkept properties.

City Administrator ask Council if they were in agreement to follow the Ordinance and issue fines and liens on properties in non -compliance. Council agreed to begin the process of sending out Notice of Violations.

**AGENDA ITEM # 13**

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, motion made by Hubbard and seconded by Mashburn to adjourn.

Motion carried 4-0

Time: 7:00 pm

  
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Jan Clark – City Administrator

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Jimmy Carpenter – Mayor