

**MINUTES**  
**Special Meeting of the City Council**  
**Municipal Building**  
**West 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and Texas Boulevard**  
**Texarkana, Texas**  
**Tuesday, September 8, 2009**

An Open Meeting will be held concerning the following subject:

**Call to Order by Mayor Mayo, Roll Call, Establishment of Quorum**

The following Councilmembers were present at 11:15 a.m.:

Derrick McGary	Councilmember, Ward 1
Willie Ray	Councilmember, Ward 2
Bob Bruggeman	Councilmember, Ward 4
Scott Norton	Councilmember, Ward 5

Members Absent:

Tina Veal-Gooch	Councilmember, Ward 3
Robin Court	Councilmember, Ward 6

Also present were: F. Larry Sullivan, CEO/City Manager, Charlie Bassett, CFO, Kerry Meredith, City Secretary.

**Open Forum**

**Action Items**

1. Take a record vote to place an action item on the agenda of a Regular City Council meeting to be held on September 28, 2009, to adopt a property tax rate of .6381 per \$100 valuation, based on the 2009 Certified Appraisal Tax Roll provided to the City by Bowie County Central Appraisal District.

A motion was made by Councilmember Norton that the action item be approved, seconded by Councilmember McGary.

The following Councilmembers voted by roll call:

Ayes: McGary, Ray, Bruggeman, Norton  
Noes: None  
Absent: Tina Veal-Gooch, Robin Court

2. Consider approving the calendar of public hearings and council meetings required to adopt the proposed tax rate of .6381 per \$100 valuation.

A motion was made by Councilmember Ray that the action item be approved, seconded by Councilmember Norton.

The following Councilmembers voted:

Ayes: McGary, Ray, Bruggeman, Norton  
Noes: None

Absent: Tina Veal-Gooch, Robin Court

**Closed Session**

The City Council may convene in closed session pursuant to one or more of the following sections of the Texas Open Meetings Act (Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code):

- § 551.071 Private consultation with the City Attorney
- § 551.072 Discussing or deliberating purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property
- § 551.073 Discussing or deliberating negotiated contract for prospective gift or donation
- § 551.074 Discussing or deliberating appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee
- § 551.076 Discussing or deliberating the deployment or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices
- § 551.084 Investigation; exclusion of witness from a hearing during examination of another witness
- § 551.087 Discussing economic development negotiations or offer of financial or other incentives to business prospects

**No Action Taken**

**VII. Adjournment**

A motion was made by Councilmember Bruggeman that this meeting be adjourned, seconded by Councilmember McGary. 1:30 p.m.

The following Councilmembers voted:

Ayes: McGary, Ray, Bruggeman, Norton,

Noes: None

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**Stephen A. Mayo, MAYOR**

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**Kerry Meredith, CITY SECRETARY**