MINUTES REGULAR MEETING
MINERAL WELLS CITY COUNCIL
CITY HALL ANNEX
March 3, 2026 – 6:00 pm

Mayor Pro-Tem Watson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Pastor Jake Grogan of Indian Creek Baptist Church led the invocation, which included the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. and Texas flags.

Councilmembers present were Mayor Pro-Tem Beth Watson, Jonathon Rusher, Charles Ramsay, Kyle Kelley, Glenn Mitchell, and Mike Rankin. A quorum of City Councilmembers was present. Mayor Regan Johnson was absent.

Staff members present were City Manager Jason Weeks, Fire Chief Ryan Dunn, Assistant Police Chief Jeremy Hamscher, Finance Director/Assistant City Manager Aaron Bovos, Economic Development Director Nate Dyhre, Assistant Public Works Director Nathan Buschow, Public Works Administration David Morgan, Public Works Administration Dakota York, Public Works Staff Member Jetti Brokaw, Police Administration Staff Member Kelly McGuinness, Airport Manager Haley Cuevas, Marketing & Communications Manager/PIO Brittany Brown, Administrative Assistant Fern FreemanPratt, City Clerk Sharon McFadden, and City Attorney James Holdridge.

PRESENTATION:

1. Assistant Police Chief Hamscher recognized the department's 2025 End of Year Award recipients, which included:

   2025 Supervisor of the Year – Lieutenant Brian Boetz
   2025 Officer of the Year - Detective Melissa Patino
   2025 Rookie of the Year - Officer Travis Adkins
   2025 Dispatcher of the Year - Shoney Rollins
   2025 Civilian Employee of the Year - ACO Nathan Groce
   2025 Citizen of the Year - DJ Juan Saucedo
   2025 Business of the Year - La Estrella Mexican Restaurant

PUBLIC COMMENT: No one signed up to speak.

STAFF REPORTS:

2. Introduction of new City employees.
   None.

3. Recognition for City employees' years of service.
   None.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Following a motion by Mr. Ramsay and seconded by Mr. Kelley, the Consent Agenda was approved by a vote of 6-0.

4. Consider and take appropriate action on the minutes of the regular meeting held on February 3, 2026.

5. Consider and take appropriate action on the minutes of the regular meeting held on February 17, 2026.

6. Consider and take appropriate action on the approval of the Financial Reports for the month of December 2025.

7. Consider and take appropriate action on a resolution authorizing participation in the Local Government Investment Cooperative (LOGIC) and authorizing the City Manager and/or the Assistant City Manager to complete and execute the Application for Participation.

ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION:

8. Presentation from HDR on the Project Plans for Hilltop Water Treatment Plant.

   Mr. Cory Shockley and Ms. Ashley Eastland presented the project plans to the City Council. No action was taken on this item.

9. City of Mineral Wells financial update presentation by the Director of Finance/Assistant City Manager.

   Mr. Bovos presented the financial update to the City Council. No action was taken.

10. Consider and take appropriate action on a resolution adopting the City of Mineral Wells, Texas Expense and Expenditure Policy governing expenditures and expenses; providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date.

    Mr. Kelley made the motion, and Mr. Mitchell seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

11. Consider and take appropriate action on a resolution adopting the City of Mineral Wells, Texas Grant Management Policy governing the application and administration of grants; providing for a repealer clause; providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date.

    Mr. Ramsay made the motion. Mr. Rankin seconded, and the motion carried 6-0.

12. Consider and take appropriate action on the Certification of Unopposed Candidates by the City Clerk and an ordinance declaring unopposed candidates elected to office and canceling the general election for the City Council order for May 2, 2026.

Mrs. McFadden provided the Certification of Unopposed Candidates to the City Council. The ordinance for Cancellation of the Election was presented.

Mr. Kelley made the motion to accept the certification and approve the ordinance. Mr. Mitchell seconded, and the motion carried 6-0.

13. Future agenda items/Requests by Councilmembers to be on the next agenda.

    None.

14. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** In accordance with the Texas Government Code, Section 551.001, et seq., the City Council recessed into Executive Session (closed meeting) at 7:05 p.m. to discuss the following:

    a. § 551.087: To discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the City has received from a business prospect that the City seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the City, with which the City is conducting economic development negotiations, and/or to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to the business prospect, regarding: (i) Project Cow; (ii) Project Flying Car; (iii) Project West End; (iv) Project Pitstop; (v) Project Mystery; (vi) Project Secret Sauce; (vii) Project Pigtails; (viii) Project Produce; (ix) Project Energize; (x) Project Game Changer; (xi) Project Colocation; (xii) Project Cowboy; (xiii) Project Destination; (xiv) Project Academic; (xv) Project Native Force; (xvi) Project Mini Motor.

15. **RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION:** In accordance with Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, the City Council reconvened into Regular Session at 7:50 p.m. to consider action, if any, on matters discussed in Executive Session.

16. There was no further business, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

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Regan Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Sharon McFadden, City Clerk

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APPROVED