

**CITY OF RUSK, TEXAS
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AGENDA**

Rusk Civic Center
555 Euclid Street, Rusk, Texas
Thursday, April 13, 2017 – 5:00 P.M.

Angela Raiborn, Mayor
Walter Session, Mayor Pro Tem, Council Place 2
Ben Middlebrooks, Council Place 1 Donald Woodard, Council Place 4
Don Jones, Council Place 3 Sam Florian, Council Place 5

Jim D. Dunaway, City Manager

1. Call to Order
 - A. Invocation
 - B. Pledge of Allegiance to both the U.S. Flag and the Texas Flag
2. Citizen's Comments – At this time, comments will be taken from the audience on any subject matter that is not on the agenda. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, the City Council may not discuss or take action on any item which has not been posted on the agenda.
3. Consent Agenda:
 - a) Minutes for March 9, 2017
 - b) Account Payables for March, 2017
 - c) Naming of Acting City Manager
4. Discussion and possible action on supporting and adopting the Heritage Center of Cherokee County as a part of the economic development efforts of the City of Rusk.
5. Discussion and possible action on approving an ordinance denying the proposed changes in rates of ONCOR Electric Delivery Company, LLC.
6. Discussion and possible action on CenterPoint Energy's notice of their 2017 Annual GRIP (Gas Reliability Infrastructure Program) Adjustment for the Beaumont/East Texas Division.
7. Discussion and possible action on an ordinance closing, abandoning and vacating a portion of Minor Street better described as that portion between Block No. 45 and Block No. 46, E.C. Dickinson's Addition, to New Birmingham and Rusk according to the map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Cabinet A, Slide 37 of the Plat Records of Cherokee County, Texas.

8. Discussion and possible action on an ordinance granting the City Manager the authority to revise and amend the City of Rusk Police Department Policy Manual.
9. Discussion and possible action on approving an expenditure by the Rusk Economic Development Corporation for geotechnical sampling at the Rusk Business/Industrial Complex.
10. Discussion and possible action on converting the Municipal Court to a Municipal Court of Record and appointing a Presiding Judge of the Municipal Court of Record.
11. Announcements from City Council- Comments may be made by council or staff on the following topics without specific notice: expressions of thanks, congratulations or condolences; information on holiday schedules; recognition of public officials, employees or citizens other than employees or officials whose status may be affected by the council through action; reminders of community events. **NO ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON THESE ITEMS.**
12. City Manager's Report(s) – Water Projects, Wastewater Projects, Drainage Projects, Road Projects, Capital Improvement Projects, Special Projects and Developments and Departmental Reports. **NO ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON THESE ITEMS.**
13. Adjournment

The City Council reserves the right to hear any of the above described agenda items that qualify for an executive session in an executive session by publicly announcing the applicable section number of the open meetings act, (Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code) that justifies executive session treatment.

Posted: Monday, April 10, 2017
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Cinda Etheridge, City Secretary

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