

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

Rusk Civic Center  
555 Euclid Street, Rusk, Texas  
Thursday, July 9, 2020 – 12:00 P.M. (Noon)

Angela Raiborn, Mayor  
Walter Session, Mayor Pro Tem, Council Place 2  
Ben Middlebrooks, Council Place 1                      Martha Neely, Council Place 4  
Martin Holsome, Council Place 3                      Frances Long, Council Place 5  
Jim D. Dunaway, City Manager  
Cinda Etheridge, City Secretary  
Anthony J. King, City Attorney

**TELEPHONIC OPEN MEETING**

Notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Rusk City Council to be held on Thursday July 9, 2020 by telephone or in person at 12:00 P.M. at the Rusk Civic Center, 555 Euclid Street for the purpose of considering the following agenda items. All agenda items are subject to action.

A temporary suspension of the Open Meetings Act to allow telephone or videoconference public meetings has been granted by Governor Greg Abbott. These actions are being taken to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 by avoiding meetings that bring people into a group setting and in accordance with Section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code. Telephonic capabilities will be utilized to allow individuals to address the Rusk City Council. **Members of the public are entitled to participate remotely via Zoom Teleconferencing.** Citizens may join the Zoom Meeting by logging on <https://zoom.us/j/94137820680> **password 770230**. **Meeting ID: 941 3782 0680 Password 770230.** They may also join by calling (888)-788-0099 and entering the **Meeting ID: 941 3782 0680 and Password: 770230**. The meeting will be recorded and uploaded to the City website within 24 hours following the conclusion of the meeting.

**Members of the public who wish to submit their written comments on a listed agenda item must submit their comments by downloading the “Speaker’s Request Form” at [www.rusktx.org](http://www.rusktx.org) or emailing [cetheridge@rusktx.org](mailto:cetheridge@rusktx.org) or by calling 430-300-1503 direct line or 903-683-2213 for staff assistance.**

**Speaker request form, email or questions must be received before 10:00 a.m., Thursday, July 9, 2020.**

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1. **CALL TO ORDER:**
    - A. Invocation.
    - B. Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas Flags.
  
  2. **PROCLAMATION(S)/RECOGNITION(S):**
    - A. None.

3. **CITIZENS COMMENTS:** At this time, comments will be taken from the audience on any subject matter that is not included 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.**
4. **CONSENT AGENDA:**
  - A. Check Register Report for June, 2020, the Credit Card Statements for May, 2020 and the Fiscal Year Financial Report year-to-date.
  - B. Minutes for the June 10, 2020 Special City Council Meeting and the Minutes for the June 11, 2020 Regular City Council Meeting.
5. **PUBLIC HEARING(S):**
  - A. None.
6. **ACTION ITEM(S):**
  - A. Discuss and consider the lease agreement between the City of Rusk and James I. Perkins for the Footbridge Park.
  - B. Discuss and consider the award of a bid for repairs to the Footbridge.
  - C. Discuss and consider renewal of the City's Juvenile Curfew Ordinance.
  - D. Discuss and consider an Ordinance amending Section 130.17 of the City of Rusk's Code of Ordinances regarding the Discharge of Specific Weapons.
  - E. Discuss and consider a Resolution adopting the 2020 Cherokee County Hazard Mitigation Plan.
7. **EXECUTIVE SESSION(S):** The City Council will enter into Executive Session to discuss and consider the following:
  - A. Consultation with the City Attorney – Claim for Damages – Polly and Ray Christopher- Government Code Section 551.071.
8. **EXECUTIVE SESSION ACTION(S):**
  - A. The City Council will reconvene into Open Session to take action, if any, on matters discussed in Executive Session.
9. **ANNOUNCEMENT(S):** 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.**
10. **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.**

## 11. ADJOURN

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, July 6, 2020  
City Hall Bulletin Board  
By 11:00 A.M.**

  
Cinda Etheridge, City Secretary

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