

CITY OF GLADEWATER  
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL SESSION  
MINUTES  
JULY 26, 2007  
10:00 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor John Paul Tallent, Mayor Pro-tem Walter Derrick, Joe Derouen, Jerry Williams, Scott Owens, Richard Parrish

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jimmy Williams

STAFF PRESENT: Jay Stokes, Melba Haralson, Richard Ross, Clay Robertson, Rick Appl, July Hagle, Larry Player

GUESTS PRESENT: Chris Meeks, John Choice, Lon Welton, Guy T. Harrison, Lauren Thompson, Sue Parrish

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Tallent called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

II. CONSIDERATION of a request of Mr. Guy Harrison regarding drainage issues at 1008 Forest Hills Drive

Mr. Harrison explained the drainage problems he is experiencing and requested that the City adopt an ordinance that requires each property owner to make a diligent effort to keep water from draining onto their neighbor's property, and he requested that a drain be installed on the street in front of his driveway.

Mayor Tallent responded that we will look into the matter.

III. BUDGET WORKSHOP

Mayor Tallent announced that a public hearing will be held at the regular City Council meeting August 16, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. on the budget for fiscal year 2008.

City Manager Stokes commended the department heads, Melba Haralson and Sherry Roberts for their hard work in preparing the budget. He then went over the highlights of the proposed budget, which kept capital purchases to a minimum and allowed for salary increases based on the performance pay plan. There is not a water and sewer rate increase this year, but we will monitor it closely for next year. Mr. Stokes recommended going with the effective tax rate of .586000.

City Manager Stokes satisfactorily answered all questions from the City Council and he was complimented for the great job he did in preparing the budget.

IV. ADJOURN

Councilmember Parrish moved to adjourn at 10:50 a.m., seconded by Councilmember Jerry Williams. Adjourned by consensus.

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JOHN PAUL TALLENT, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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MELBA HARALSON, CITY SECRETARY