



**CITY OF CUERO  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
JUNE 10, 2019 5:15 PM**

**Members Present:** Mayor Sara Post Meyer, Mayor Pro Tem Bill Matthys, Councilmembers John Fuqua, Tony Allen, Terry Glover, and Brad Hedrick.

**Staff Present:** City Manager Raymie Zella, Finance Director Connie Hawes, Deputy City Secretary Katelyn Corporon, Grant Writer/purchase Supervisor Rhonda Stastny, Police Jay Lewis, City Attorney James Crain and Fire Chief James Barrie.

1. **Call to order and announce a quorum is present:** Mayor Meyer called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm.
2. **Invocation** led by James K. Crain, III.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and the Texas Flag** led by W.T. “Tony” Allen.
4. **Public Comments:** Brittany Valle and Robert Post spoke to Council about a proposed project for Monarch Butterflies by building a wayfinding station for them.

Christian Perez and Ermelinda Enriquez spoke to Council about a proposed project of doing a “Field of Honor” which they would do on Memorial Day and Veterans Day by putting flags with a tag bearing the name of the veteran on the Knoll in the Municipal Park.

Hank Stall spoke to Council about Ordinance No. 2019-10 amending the Code of Ordinances Title VI by adding Fire Chief to the ordinance. Concerned that this would not allow the volunteers to receive grants, and they would have no control at fire scenes.

**5. Presentation and Recognitions:**

5.1. **FY 2017-2018 Audit Report by Steve Van Manen of Harrison, Waldrop and Uherek, LLP.** Reported overall the City is in good shape.

**6. Resolutions:**

**6.1. Discuss consider and possible action on Resolution No. 2019-13, contract with Cuero ISD for School Resource Officers for the year 2019-2020.**

Motion made by Councilmember Allen, seconded by Councilmember Matthys to approve Resolution No. 2019-13. The motion was approved unanimously.

**6.2. Discuss consider and possible action on Resolution No. 2019-14, Memorandum of Understanding between DeWitt County Drainage District No. 1, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and City of Cuero, designed to provide citizens with mechanism to report illegal dumping that affects surface waters of Texas.**

Motion made by Councilmember Hedrick, seconded by Councilmember Fuqua to approve Resolution No. 2019-14. The motion was approved unanimously.

**6.3. Discuss, consider and possible action on Resolution No. 2019-15, for a Trademark License for use in the "Don't Mess with Texas Water" program.**

Motion made by Councilmember Fuqua, seconded by Councilmember Glover to approve Resolution No. 2019-15. The motion was approved unanimously.

**7. Second reading of an ordinance:**

**7.1. Discuss consider and possible action on the second and final reading of Ordinance No. 2019-10, amending the Code of Ordinances Title VI, Chapter 6, fire Prevention and Protection, Article 6.02, Section 6.02.001 Fire Marshal adding Article 6.021 Fire Chief.**

Motion made by Councilmember Matthys, seconded by Councilmember Allen to table Ordinance No. 2019-10 until Council can further review. The motion was approved unanimously.

**8. Ordinances - Emergency Reading**

**8.1. Discuss, consider and possible action on Ordinance No. 2019-12, authorizing and approving an electric easement line right of way.**

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Matthys, seconded by Councilmember Glover to approve Ordinance No. 2019-12. The motion was approved unanimously.

**8.2. Discuss, Consider and Possible Action on Ordinance No. 2019-13, a 15' Water, Wastewater Easement on a 5.42 Acre Tract of Land Situated in Jose Antonio Valdez Y Gonzales League, Abstract 47, DeWitt County, Texas.**

Motion made by Councilmember Allen, seconded by Councilmember Hedrick to table this item. The motion was approved unanimously.

**8.3. Discuss, consider and possible action on Ordinance No. 2019-11 adopting a new schedule of fees and charges for Residential Building Permits and declaring an emergency.**

Motion made by Councilmember Hedrick, seconded by Councilmember Allen to table this item. Motion approved unanimously.

**9. Council consideration and action items**

**9.1. Closing of 100 block of S. Gonzales Street and the 200 Block of North Railroad St for the event Tunes and Trucks to be held Friday June 21, 2019.**

Motion made by Councilmember Allen, seconded by Councilmember Glover to approve the street closing for the Tunes and Trucks event from 1:00 pm until 12:00am on Friday June 21, 2019. Motion approved unanimously.

**10. Reports**

**Update on Cemetery Bill:** This Bill is on the Governor's desk to be signed.

**Update on transfer of property for proposed airport.** Approved, on Governor's desk, Feasibility survey being prepared and will be completed by August 31<sup>st</sup>. Survey letters will be sent out by end of June.

**Update on new Fire Truck:** Fire Chief James Barrie reported that the truck is out of manufacture, fixing minor things and shipped to Houston for minor inspection by city. Target date for arrival is July1, 2019. Ceremony is planned for the pushing of truck into station.

**11. Consent Agenda: Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Matthys, seconded by Councilmember Hedrick to approve the consent agenda. Motion was approved unanimously.**

11.1. **Library monthly report**

11.2. Municipal Court Monthly report

11.3. **DeWitt County Appraisal District monthly report**

11.4. Reappointment of Terry Stock and Eula Mathis to the Cuero Housing Authority and replacing Lisa Ivey with Farsythia Lee. Term 2019-2021

11.5. **Building Department monthly report**

11.6. **Council meeting minutes 5/13/19**

12. **Budget workshop: Discussion on Capital Improvement Projects:** Finance Director Connie Hawes gave Councilmembers a handout of all the projects from 2017-2022. It was recommended that for the next two years to be in savings mode then in 2024 get into the Capital Improvements projects again.

13. **Adjourn: Mayor Meyer adjourned the meeting at 7:05 pm.**

PASSED AND APPROVE THIS 8<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JULY, 2019

  
SARA POST MEYER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
JENNIFER ZUFELT, CITY SECRETARY