

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACHSE
MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 20, 2023**

The City Council of the City of Sachse held a regular meeting on Monday, February 20, 2023, at 6 30 p m at Sachse City Hall, 3815-B Sachse Road Those present were Mayor Jeff Bickerstaff, Mayor Pro Tem Brett Franks, Councilmembers Frank Millsap, Chance Lindsey, Lindsay Buhler, and Matt Prestenberg, City Manager Gina Nash, Assistant City Manager Lauren Rose, City Attorney Joe Gorfida, Police Chief Bryan Sylvester, Assistant Police Chief Steven Baxter, Police Lieutenant Steven Doerr, Fire Chief Marty Wade, Deputy Fire Chief Lee Richardson, Finance Director David Baldwin, Development Director Matt Robinson, Assistant to the City Manager Amanda Chi, IT Manager Mike Pastor, Library Services Manager Daniel Laney, Neighborhood Services Manager Ray Mendez, and City Secretary Leah Granger

Members absent Michelle Howarth

Mayor Bickerstaff called the meeting to order at 6 30 p m

INVOCATION AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE U S AND TEXAS FLAGS

Mayor Pro Tem Franks offered the invocation and Councilmember Buhler led the pledges

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

1 Mayor and City Council announcements regarding special events, current activities, and local achievements

Councilmember Millsap announced that the Library will have family storytime on Tuesdays at 6 30 p m Mayor Pro Tem Franks relayed record attendance at the Daddy-Daughter Dance this year The adult-only Retro Dodgeball event is coming up and he is looking forward to the fun competition Councilmember Prestenberg commended the Recreation Department for the excellent work on the Daddy-Daughter Dance

City Manager's announcements

- Promotions
 - Brandon Hill and Joel Jimenez were both promoted from Park Maintenance Technician I to II
- New Employees
 - Jose Gomez and Brenden Underwood were both recently hired as Street Maintenance Technicians
 - Long Nguyen is the newest police officer to join the Police Department
 - Jesse Edwards has joined Sachse Fire-Rescue as a firefighter/paramedic

Mayor Bickerstaff's announcements

- City staff has started a redesign process for the City website and they want to hear your thoughts. Check out the "What's Happening" section of the website to take the survey. All responses must be received by February 24.
- The May 6 General Election is coming up. The deadline to register to vote in this election is April 6. You can submit applications for voter registration through your county of residence's website. Contact the City Secretary if you have any questions.
- The City has several exciting events planned this spring and summer, so be sure to add them to your calendar. Join us for the Easter Egg Hunts, the Arbor Day Jubilee Team Up & Clean Up, the CWD X-treme Green recycle event, and the Red, White, and Blue Blast. We would love to see you there!
- Sachse High School Boys Basketball Team and Girls Volleyball teams are in the playoffs, congratulations to them.

2 Recognize the volunteer organization, Friends of the Library, and present the proceeds from the 2022 Christmas Tree Ornament Program

Mayor Bickerstaff presented the proceeds from the 2022 Christmas Tree Ornament Program to the Friends of the Library. Mr. Laney thanked the Friends of the Library for all they do for the Library. He noted that the group donated the 3D printer at the Library and provide all of the prizes for the summer reading club.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Sachse resident, Matthew Holboke, addressed the Council about the Neighborhood Partnership Program.
- Manny Diaz of Garland spoke about the Garland Council of PTAs.

CONSENT AGENDA All items listed on the consent agenda will be considered by the City Council and will be enacted on by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a councilmember or citizen so requests.

- 1 Approve the January 28, 2023, Strategic Planning Retreat minutes**
- 2 Approve the February 6, 2023, meeting minutes**

Items three and four were removed from the consent agenda by request.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Franks to approve items one and two of the Consent Agenda as presented. Councilmember Buhler seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

- 3 Authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with Canon Solutions America, Inc in the amount of One Hundred Sixty-Eight Thousand, Six Hundred Twenty-Four and No/100 Dollars (\$168,624.00) for a 5-year lease of copier equipment**

Councilmember Prestenberg commented that the amount seemed high and asked if the option of purchasing had been evaluated. Ms. Nash noted that after review, leasing the printer/copiers had a

higher cost-benefit and came with better service than purchasing the equipment Prestenberg asked if there was a push to move to paperless In response, Ms Nash said that while the City is increasing the use of digital records, many of our files will continue to be printed for long-term storage and back-up of those records

Councilmember Prestenberg made a motion to approve item number three as presented Mayor Pro Tem Franks seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously

4 Authorize the City Manager to execute the renewal agreement with SHI Government Solutions in the amount of One Hundred Thousand, Four Hundred Ninety-Six and 7/100 Dollars (\$100,496 07) for all Microsoft licensing

Councilmember Millsap requested clarification regarding the additional amount being requested Ms Rose explained that the additional \$8,000 was to provide service for additional staff and users

Councilmember Lindsey made a motion to approve item number four as presented Mayor Pro Tem Franks seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously

Councilmember Howarth arrived at 7 17 p m

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

1 Receive Sachse Police Department's 2022 Year End Review presentation

Chief Sylvester provided a review of 2022 in relation to the Police Department He presented crime statistics and summarized accomplishments Chief is particularly proud of the community outreach activities of the department and commended the Volunteers in Police Services (VIPS) members for being great partners and lending valued services to the community He recognized goals for 2023 and is excited to bring back the Citizen Police Academy as a community opportunity for residents to learn about the department

Councilmembers thanked Chief Sylvester for the work the Police Department does to keep the community safe Questions were asked about crime tracking and categorization methods, proactive efforts to monitor incidents, and other specific crimes in relation to national trends

2 Receive an update on the establishment of a Neighborhood Partnership Program (NPP)

Ms Rose gave an overview of the NPP and noted that Council has the opportunity to look at the maturity of Sachse neighborhoods and how to help them age gracefully The goal is to invest in infrastructure, signage, and placemaking in order to be proactive and prevent the same issues from occurring in the future She posited that the program meets the City Council's strategic goals "Strategically invest in the City's existing and future infrastructure to ensure those needs are met" and "Provide a high quality of life environment for families, individuals, businesses, and other organizations in Sachse Ms Rose noted that strategic investments in neighborhoods now will ensure that they remain high-quality places to live for years to come Staff is working to address policies and standards so as to not have the same issues moving forward Ms Rose spoke about

eligibility of projects and the review process that would end with the Council's final decision. She also reviewed some other neighborhood programming efforts by staff.

Council provided feedback and input about the program and asked questions about eligibility and project types that would be considered. They wanted to see groups that did not have organized home owner associations included. Council requested specifications in the policy that projects must have public access and benefit to be considered. Councilmember Prestenberg pointed out Ms. Rose's comment connecting the program to mitigating mistakes made many years ago. Councilmember Lindsey expressed concern about who would be eligible to submit requests and what projects would be considered. He was also apprehensive about setting precedent and preferred to see a stricter policy initially and then reevaluate after it has been in place to see if standards should be adjusted.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Bickerstaff adjourned the Council to the Executive Session at 8:33 p.m.

- 1. The City Council will convene into executive session pursuant to Section 551.071(2) of the Texas Government Code for the purpose of seeking legal advice regarding the PGBT zoning district.**
- 2. The City Council will convene into executive session pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Government Code to discuss the duties of the City Attorney.**

The Council returned from executive session at 9:17 p.m.

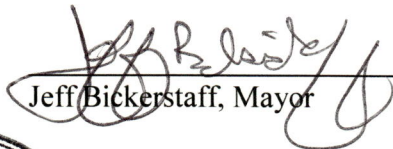
REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS:

- 1. Take action as a result of executive session.**

No action necessary at this time.

- 2. Adjournment.**

Mayor Bickerstaff adjourned the meeting at 9:17 p.m.


Jeff Bickerstaff, Mayor

ATTEST:


Leah K Granger, City Secretary

