

**Flatonia City Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
July 8, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.**

Present

Mayor	Travis Seale
Mayor Pro Tem	Ginny Sears
Council	Allen Kocian
	Josh Homan
	Jeff Brazill
City Manager	Ray Miller
City Secretary	Jacqueline Ott
Utility Director	Jack Pavlas
Fire Chief	Chris Swenning
Police Chief	Lee Dick

Absent

Council	Kevin Laney
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Call to Order

Mayor Seale called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Seale led the invocation and pledges.

Citizen Participation

1. Cindy Johnson spoke against the issue of short-term parking along East North Main Street. She is the owner of The Market.
2. Paula Grahmann spoke in favor of the issue of short-term parking along East North Main Street. She is the owner of Your Hometown Pharmacy. Mrs. Grahmann is requesting 2-3 designated spaces for the pharmacy's customers.
3. Mike Whitten spoke on the lease of the American Legion Post 94 building.

Staff Reports

1. Fire Chief Swenning presented his semiannual report.
2. Police Chief Dick gave an update on the newly hired officers.
3. Utility Director Pavlas gave an update on the street repairs.
4. City Manager Miller updated the Council that the Dollar General lot has been mowed in its entirety. Councilman Kocian asked again about the former Napa building.
5. City Manager Miller gave an update on the drainage study. Councilwoman Sears asked for clarification on the proposed TxDOT crosswalk installation at Highway 90 and Highway 95. Mr. Miller said the project is still several years out but progress is being made on the planning portion.

Consent Agenda

Consider and take appropriate action on the following items:

1. Minutes from the Regular City Council meeting held on June 10, 2025.
2. Financial reports from June 2025.
3. Hotel Occupancy Tax reports for Quarter 2 2025 from Flatonia Chamber of Commerce, Special Projects, and EA Arnim Archives and Museum.

Councilman Homan moved, with a second from Councilman Kocian, to approve the consent agenda items. The vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Discussion Agenda

1. After hearing opinions from the citizens directly affected by the proposed short-term parking, the Council directed City Manager Miller to look into all of the options available in order to reach an agreement that is fair to all business owners. The Council will deliberate this matter at a future meeting.

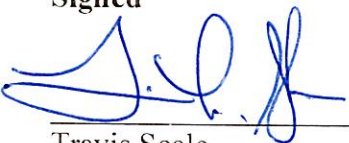
New Business Agenda

1. Mayor Seale expressed concern about destroying records from 2019-2020 in case the records are needed in an unforeseen circumstance. The Council decided to forgo approving the destruction list until October when several more boxes will be eligible for destruction.
2. Mayor Pro Tem Sears moved, with a second from Councilman Kocian, to approve the proposed projects from the Parks Committee and proceed with the LCRA grant application. Councilman Brazill would like to choose as many projects as possible to maximize the full amount available. The Council would like to see prices for the proposed projects. Mayor Pro Tem Sears withdrew her motion, and the Council postponed the deliberation until the special Council meeting on July 22, 2025.
3. Mayor Pro Tem Sears started the discussion to return ownership of the property to the American Legion. Councilmen Kocian and Brazill voiced their support on this suggestion. The Council heard the supporting opinion of members of the American Legion. Councilman Kocian, with a second from Mayor Pro Tem Sears to direct City Manager Miller to investigate the legality of transfer of the property, as well as the position of the American Legion on this matter, to be presented at the special Council meeting on July 22, 2025.

Adjournment

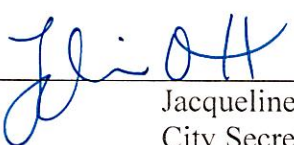
Mayor Seale adjourned the meeting at 8:18 p.m.

Signed



Travis Seale
Mayor

ATTEST



Jacqueline Ott
City Secretary

