

**Flatonia City Council
Special Meeting Minutes
September 23, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.**

Present

Mayor	Travis Seale
Mayor Pro Tem	Ginny Sears
Council	Allen Kocian
	Josh Homan
	Jeff Brazill
	Kevin Laney
City Manager	Ray Miller
City Secretary	Jacqueline Ott
Utility Director	Steve Cobler
Police Chief	Lee Dick

Absent

Fire Chief	Chris Swenning
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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.

Consent Agenda

Consider and take appropriate action on the following items:

1. Minutes from the Regular City Council meeting held on August 12, 2025.
2. Minutes from the Special City Council meeting held on August 19, 2025.
4. Financial reports for August 2025.

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

Public Hearing

1. Mayor Seale opened the public hearing on the Fiscal Year 2026 budget for all funds at 6:01 p.m. No citizens were present to participate. Mayor Seale closed the public hearing at 6:02 p.m.

Regular Agenda

1. Mayor Pro Tem Sears moved, seconded by Councilman Laney, to adopt the certified appraisal roll as the tax roll for the City of Flatonia at \$173,462,868 as provided by the Fayette County Appraisal District. The vote was unanimous. Motion passed.
2. Councilman Brazill moved, seconded by Councilman Laney, to adopt Ordinance 2025.9.1, an ordinance adopting the annual budget for the Fiscal Year 2026, including the general fund, the utility funds, the hotel occupancy tax fund, and the Flatonia Economic Development Corporation fund. A roll call vote was taken, and 5 ayes were recorded. Motion passed.

3. Councilman Homan moved, seconded by Councilman Kocian, to ratify the fact that the Fiscal Year 2026 budget will require raising more revenue from property taxes than in the previous year in compliance with Section 102.007, Texas Local Government Code. The vote was unanimous. Motion passed.
4. Councilman Homan moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Sears, to adopt Ordinance 2025.9.2, an ordinance levying ad valorem taxes for use and support of the municipal government of the City of Flatonia, Texas, for Fiscal Year 2026; providing for apportioning each levy for specific purposes; providing when taxes shall become due and when same shall become delinquent if not paid. A roll call vote was taken, and 5 ayes were recorded. Motion passed.
5. Mayor Pro Tem Sears moved, seconded by Councilman Kocian, to approve the contract with Flatonia Fire and Rescue (FFR). Casey Ring was present to speak on behalf of FFR and pointed out their request to make changes to paragraph 7c. Mayor Pro Tem Sears withdrew her motion.

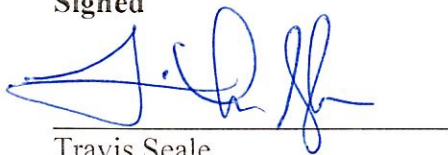
Councilman Homan moved, seconded by Councilman Brazill, to approve the contract with FFR with the language in paragraph 7c reflecting the requested changes and brought back to Council at the regular meeting in October. The vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

6. Councilman Homan moved, seconded by Councilman Laney, to renew the City of Flatonia membership with the Capital Area Council of Governments and reappointing Mayor Travis Seale as the City's representative. The vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Adjournment

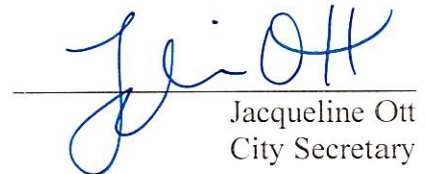
Mayor Seale closed the budget workshop and adjourned the meeting at 6:49 p.m.

Signed



Travis Seale
Mayor

ATTEST



Jacqueline Ott
City Secretary

