

Flatonia City Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
November 18, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

Present

Mayor	Travis Seale
Mayor Pro Tem	Ginny Sears
Council	Allen Kocian
	Jeff Brazill
	Kevin Laney
	Josh Homan
City Manager	Ray Miller
City Secretary	Jacqueline Ott
Fire Chief	Chris Swenning

Absent

Police Chief	Lee Dick
Utility Director	Steve Cobler

Call to Order

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

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Councilman Kocian led the invocation and pledges.

Citizen Participation

1. Mike Whitten spoke on the status of open work orders submitted by the American Legion to the City.

Consent Agenda

Consider and take appropriate action on the following items:

1. Minutes from the Regular City Council meeting held on October 6, 2025.
2. Financial reports for October 2025.

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

Staff Reports

1. Fire Chief Swenning had nothing to add to his report.
2. Police Chief Dick was absent. Councilman Brazill commended Officer Kalina on an exceptional job handling a critical situation.
3. Utility Director Cobler was absent. Councilman Brazill commended the utility staff for there exceptional work assisting with Czhilispiel.
4. City Manager Miller updated the Council that TML confirmed that Code Enforcement Official Hernandez can review code compliance and send notices, but any citations must originate from the police department.

5. City Manager Miller gave an update on the electric rate study and Le Ann Piatt's progress on the City's financials and upcoming audit.

Discussion Agenda

1. Mark Shubak and Hollie Janecka from Strand Associates gave a presentation on the results of the drainage study. They offered a few suggestions on ways to improve the City's drainage system in the area around the Flatonia Independent School District campus.

Mayor Seale called a recess at 7:20 p.m. to allow the representatives from Strand Associates to pack away their presentation materials. Mayor Seale called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Deliberation Agenda

1. Mayor Pro Tem Sears moved, with a second from Councilman Laney, to approve an agreement for technical services between the City of Flatonia and Strand Associates. The agreement will contract Strand Associates to review drainage plans that are submitted to the City for new or expanding development projects. The vote was unanimous. Motion passed.
2. Councilman Kocian moved, with a second from Mayor Pro Tem Sears, to approve the revised contract between the City of Flatonia and Flatonia Fire and Rescue. The vote was unanimous. Motion passed.
3. Councilman Homan moved, with a second from Mayor Pro Tem Sears, to approve the Assessment and Collection Services Contract between the City of Flatonia and Fayette County Appraisal District. The vote was unanimous. Motion passed.
4. Councilman Kocian moved, with a second from Councilman Brazill, to approve Ordinance 2025.11.1, an ordinance adopting the 2021 International Building Code (IBD); 2021 International Residential Code (IRC); 2021 International Plumbing Code (IPC); 2021 International Mechanical Code (IMC); 2021 International Fire Code (IFC); 2021 Existing Building Code (IEBC); 2021 International Fuel Gas Code (IFGC); 2021 International Property Maintenance Code (IMPC); and the 2020 national Electric Code (NEC). The vote was unanimous. Motion passed.
5. Mayor Pro Tem Sears moved, with a second from Councilman Kocian, to approve an interlocal agreement for radio service between the City of Flatonia and LCRA. The vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Executive Agenda

1. As authorized by the Texas Governmental Code, Section 551.074 – Personnel Matters, the Council convened at 7:45 p.m. into closed session to discuss City Manager Raymond Miller Jr.'s 6-month evaluation as dictated by his employment contract with the City of Flatonia. The Council reconvened at 8:16 p.m.

No action was taken on the Executive Agenda item.

Adjournment

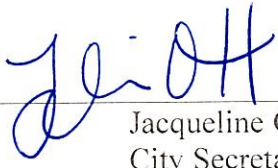
Mayor Seale adjourned the meeting at 8:18 p.m.

Signed



Travis Seale
Mayor

ATTEST


Jacqueline Ott
City Secretary