

STATE OF TEXAS \*  
 COUNTY OF JOHNSON \*  
 TOWN OF CROSS TIMBER \*

The Board of Aldermen for the Town of Cross Timber, Texas, convened in regular session at the Briaroaks Fire Hall, 515 Ward Lane, Briaroaks, Texas, on Thursday, September 14, 2023, at 7:00 P.M. to consider the following agenda items.

**1. Call to Order**

Patti Meier, Mayor, opened the meeting at 7:00 P.M.

**2. Review procedure for addressing the Board and Open Meetings Act**

Mayor Meier reviewed procedures for addressing the Board and the Open Meetings Act

**3. Roll Call**

Board members:	Present:	Absent:
Patti Meier – Mayor	<u>  x  </u>	<u>      </u>
Kellee Ball – Mayor Pro-tem	<u>  x  </u>	<u>      </u>
Tim Linendoll – Alderman	<u>      </u>	<u>  x  </u>
Ron McCullough – Alderman	<u>  x  </u>	<u>      </u>
Bridgette Sisson – Alderman	<u>  x  </u>	<u>      </u>
Brittany Beazley – Alderman	<u>      </u>	<u>  x  </u>
Other officials:		
Kathy LaMaster, Town Secretary	<u>  x  </u>	<u>      </u>
Mary Jo Moncrief, Town Treasurer	<u>      </u>	<u>  x  </u>
Wava McCullough, Town Administrator	<u>      </u>	<u>  x  </u>

**4. Review and approve Minutes of the July 13, 2023 meeting.**

Motion by: McCullough to accept as presented

Second by: Ball

Voted for: Ball, McCullough, Sisson

Voted against: none

Abstained: none

Motion passed by a vote of 3 – 0

**5. Review and approve Financial Records for July & August 2023.**

As of August 31, 2023 the total amount in the bank is \$373,741.52 in the general fund with the amount of \$71,555.06 allotted to the capital improvement fund.

Motion by: Sisson to approve financials

Second by: McCullough

Voted for: Ball, McCullough, Sisson

Voted against: none

Abstained: none

Motion passed by a vote of 3 to 0

**6. Public Hearing on the Budget for Fiscal Year October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024, Ordinance #2023-03 Budget**

Adjourn 7:05 to begin Public Hearing. Change header on budget to correct timeframe 2023-2024, Alderman Ball questioned the rationale for website cost decrease and it is because we will not need to rebuild the site in 2023-2024, Mayor Meier discussed estimated income for franchise fees, permit fees and Sales Use and Tax are all budgeted to meet the expenses. No comments or questions from the public and the public hearing was adjourned at 7:11pm.

**7. Public Comment**

Patricia Anthony – Owner of 2535 FM 731 was seeking support and signatures to encourage TXDOT to establish a warning, caution or stop light at the corner of FM 731 and Cross Timber.

**8. Committee Reports:**

**a. Capital Improvements Committee**

Paige Linendoll presented the committee report. There were three estimates to begin the town hall build in phases. Flying J – total of \$124K – unfinished building but plumbed. LockUp Construction for a complete finished building estimated \$332K. CM Builders estimated \$130K for wired and stubbed our structure. None of these include the septic system.

Kathy LaMaster stated her belief that the town would be better served with a small office, storing documents in a climate controlled storage unit and placing picnic tables on the property to create a community area. Mayor Meier mentioned that in 2020, prior to the pandemic, \$30K would have completed the project, but recognized that is no longer the case and supported a different approach. Patricia Anthony – Agreed that a change in scope of project might be of benefit. Paige Linendoll – asked if a smaller structure would create a town presence. Ron McCullough referenced the Texas House Bill that has been in the legislature for 25 years or more concerning the need for all towns to have a structure. Mayor Meier stated we are a General Law Type B town and the main reasons for becoming a town have been met: (1) stopped mobile home park with water processing plant, (2) kept Burleson from annexing area, and (3) stopped Hidden Creek Parkway from going down Cross Timber Road and Trails End Road. Paige Linendoll will go back to the committee with the feedback and present new ideas to the board at the next meeting.

**b. Infrastructure Committee**

Chairman McCullough in preparation for reaching out to Pacheko Koch for their expertise in the necessary steps of the bidding process, realized that the legal hurdles to obtain professional bids might use all the available funds. The committee will look for other options

for road repair process, including the possibility of doing the work as a town using a drag box and rented equipment.

**9. Discussion and possible action to approve Budget for FY 2023-24 and Ordinance #2023-03  
Budget**

Motion by: Sisson motioned to accept budget with corrected dates in the header.

Second by: McCullough

Voted for: Ball, McCullough, Sisson

Voted against: none

Abstained: none

Motion passed by a vote of 3 to 0

**10. Discussion and possible action on zoning ordinance violation at 2535 FM 731.**

The Mayor and individual Alderman received a certified letter dated August 29, 2023 concerning temporary sign violations at the above address.

Patricia Anthony, owner, stated signs have been removed and apologized for the problem and encouraged citizens to discuss with her directly to save the Board of Alderman time. Donna Looney lives next door to the restaurant and private club and does not appreciate the band noise and volume of patrons, music starts at 6am and continues until midnight, lights from cars go in her windows, with no resolution. Brett Earhart, restaurant owner, encouraged the residents to talk directly to him to problem solve issues.

As issue has been resolved the item was tabled.

**11. Discussion and possible action on Truck Ordinance & updates**

Mayor Meier provided information from the meeting with Tim Trammel and Matt Wallace from Trophy Materials. They have moved the base of operation to the Trails End location and will be there for at least three more years, or until 20 sq acres of material has been removed. Discussion about yard damage falls within easement, the Sheriff has been called concerning speed, and as the trucks are independently owned the most we can do as citizens is record license plates and contact the Sheriff. Reducing the speed for trucks to 10 mph was an approach that was supported. Suggestion to include information in a newsletter to the town.

Motion by: Ball motioned to create a Trucks 10mph speed limit on Cross Timber.

Second by: Sisson

Voted for: Ball, McCullough, Sisson

Voted against: none

Abstained: none

Motion passed by a vote of 3 to 0

**12. Discussion and possible action on draft Fee Schedule.**

Secretary LaMaster discussed the variations of draft A and draft B. After several questions and deletions of currently listed items (i.e., driveway approaches) it was suggested that Secretary LaMaster revise the document based on comments and send to Aldermen for input.

Item Tabled

**13. Discussion and possible edits on zoning ordinance Article III, section 17**

Item tabled until future meeting by Mayor

**14. Announcements**

- Secretary LaMaster read a thank you from the Franz family for the yard work clean-up.
- Mayor Meier announced that Brittany Beazley has resigned her position for family reasons. The Board will review submitted names at the October meeting and appoint an individual to fill the vacancy until the next election in May 2024.

**15. Request for future agenda items**

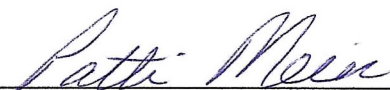
- Appointment of temporary Alderman
- Fee schedule
- Review zoning Article III section 17

**16. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:08 P.M.

  
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Kathy LaMaster, Secretary

10-14-2023  
Date

  
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Patti Meier, Mayor