

**STATE OF TEXAS**  
**COUNTY OF FANNIN**

**CITY OF DODD CITY**  
**CITY COUNCIL**

On this 16th day of November 2023, the City Council of the City of Dodd City met in a regular meeting after a public notice was posted on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of November 2023 with all members present unless otherwise indicated:

Timothy Davis – Mayor  
Michael Keene – Mayor Pro-Tem  
Jackie Lackey  
Rory Hilliard  
Becky Herpeche  
Matt Ferguson

Visitors:  
Brian Hilliard  
Leigh Dixon  
Garrett Sadler  
Teddy Fry  
James Whitfield  
Tristan McKinney  
Calvin Eachus  
Mr. Duke  
Johnnie Johnson

- Item #1.** Roll called and quorum established at 7:00.
- Item #2.** Meeting called to order by Mayor Davis at 7:00.
- Item #3.** Councilmember Lackey made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Councilmember Ferguson seconded it, and all voted for.
- Item #4.** During public forum, citizens Garrett Sadler and Tristan McKinney spoke about the fact that loud partying and cars racing up and down the streets and screeching their tires were disturbing the peace and requested that something be done about it. Mr. Leigh Dixon, Republican candidate for Fannin County Sheriff, spoke briefly about his desire to be elected sheriff in 2024. Mr. Dixon's visit was unsolicited and wholly voluntary on his part.
- Item #5.** Councilmember Herpeche made a motion for the city to accept a proposal from US Underwater to clean and inspect the city's elevated water tower, one ground storage tank (the one closest to city hall) and our two wells in June 2024. Councilmember Hilliard seconded the motion, and all voted for it.
- Item #6.** Members discussed the need to soon purchase a portable generator to act as a backup power supply for the city's water wells during periods of long power outages. This topic will be covered again once some prices on such generators are gathered.
- Item #7.** Councilmember Hilliard made a motion to spend \$650 to upgrade the city's Quickbook program to make it compatible with the city's budget. Councilmember Ferguson seconded the motion, and all voted for it.
- Item #8.** Councilmember Lackey made a motion to cast two votes for A. J. Self, and three votes for J. Royce for the Fannin Central Appraisal District Board of Directors.

Councilmember Herpeche seconded the motion, and all voted for it.

**Item #9.** Councilmember Hilliard made a motion to make the *Fannin County Leader* the City of Dodd City's official newspaper of record. Councilmember Lackey seconded the motion and all voted for it.

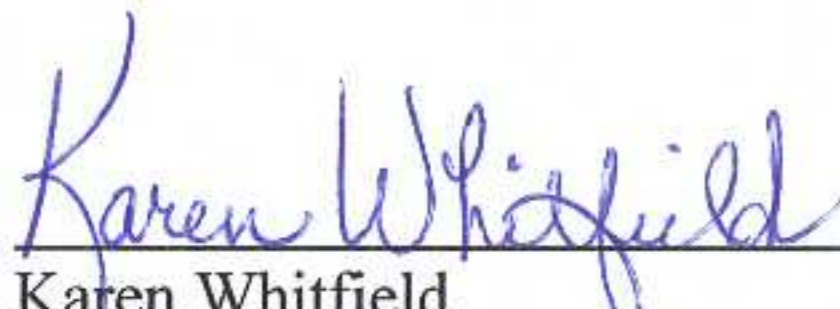
**Item #10.** Discussed the need to clarify records with Bois d' Arc MUD as to which meters are in which entities CCN. MUD still has not supplied the info that Dodd City needs to be able to act.

**Item #11.** Mr. Brian Hilliard, head of the city's utilities, discussed the fact that the city recently fared well during a TCEQ inspection, with only minor and easily repaired findings.

**Item #12.** Councilmember Lackey made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Hilliard seconded the motion, and all voted for it. Meeting adjourned at 7:55.

**NOTE:** Deputies with the Fannin County Sheriff's Office (FCSO) were present outside our meeting hall during the entire meeting due to a small group of protesters with loudspeakers stationed across the northern side of the parking lot. At roughly 7:20, one of the FCSO deputies was asked to come into the meeting and escorted a visitor, who was interrupting by asking to discuss issues that were not on the agenda, out of the meeting.

The above and foregoing represents the true and accurate minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Dodd City on the 16th day of November 2023.

  
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Karen Whitfield  
City Secretary

  
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Timothy Davis  
Mayor

