

City Council
June 18, 2018

A work session of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Waxahachie, Texas was held in the Council Conference Room, City Hall, 401 South Rogers, on Monday, June 18, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

Council Members Present: Kevin Strength, Mayor
David Hill, Mayor Pro Tem
Chuck Beatty, Councilmember
Mary Lou Shipley, Councilmember
Melissa Olson, Councilmember

Others Present: Michael Scott, City Manager
Albert Lawrence, Assistant City Manager
Robert Brown, City Attorney
Lori Cartwright, City Secretary

1. Call to Order

Mayor Kevin Strength called the meeting to order.

2. Hear presentation from SiEnergy

City Manager Michael Scott stated staff has met with SiEnergy and tonight is informational.

Mr. Doug Barnes, Economic Director, reported SiEnergy is seeking a franchise in Waxahachie and introduced Mr. Don Dively.

Mr. Dively reported SiEnergy is a natural gas company and has been in business for 20 years servicing areas from North Fort Worth to Southwest Houston. He reviewed their design and operating system noting they work with developers on new development and they do not go into established neighborhoods.

Mr. Dively proposed the rates set 10 years ago as initial rates in Waxahachie due to the current lack of customers with no rate increase for three (3) years to allow for additional customer growth in north Texas. The proposed average monthly residential bill in Waxahachie will be \$51.49.

Mr. Scott stated one of staff's concerns was local presence. Mr. Dively stated they will have a local office in Waxahachie. He stated SiEnergy is not a publicly held company and not a large transmission company. Mr. Scott stated if there is a comfort level staff can bring back a Franchise Agreement at a future meeting for consideration.

3. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Cartwright
City Secretary