

City Council
April 5, 2019

A City of Waxahachie City Council Retreat was held at the Waxahachie Police Department, 630 Farley Street, Waxahachie, Texas on Friday, April 5, 2019 at 8:00 a.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
Tommy Ludwig, Assistant City Manager
Amber Villarreal, Assistant City Secretary

1. Call to Order

Mayor Pro Tem David Hill called the meeting to order.

2. Presentations and Discussion:

- Convention and Visitor's Bureau Update – Convention and Visitor's Bureau Director Laurie Mosley presented a department overview and reviewed city events, marketing strategies and efforts, and partnerships.
- Utilities Update – Director of Utilities David Bailey presented a department overview including recognitions and rewards. He reviewed the budgets for the water fund, Sokoll Water Treatment Plant, and wastewater fund. Mr. Bailey also reviewed the asset inventory and Italy wholesale water update. Assistant Director of Utilities Richard Abernathy reviewed FY 18-19 Capital Improvement Plan Updates for water and wastewater. Assistant Director of Utilities Kendall Borg presented an update of the Sanitary Sewer Overflow Initiative including corrective actions completed.
- Public Works Update – Public Works Director Jeff Chambers presented a department overview, budget updates for the street department and engineering department, five-year street maintenance overview, and FY 18-19 Street Project status updates. Capital Projects Manager Kip Dernovich reviewed the update of various small projects including adding additional speed limit signage to various neighborhoods.
- Economic Development Update – Director of Economic Development Doug Barnes presented a department overview, changes in recent years for retail, industrial, and medical, development strategies and incentives, and future land development.
- Building and Community Services Update – Assistant City Manager Tommy Ludwig presented a department overview, key statistics and performance measures, code enforcement efforts, Life Cycle Management Software update, facility maintenance improvements, and future city hall annex.
- Engineering Update – City Engineer James Gaertner presented a department overview, Municipal Separate Storm Water Sewer System and five-year plan, LIDAR 2019 topography, GIS mapping of stormwater, sanitary sewer, and water

lines, and integration of record drawings. He also reviewed the Stormwater Master Plan and updated improvements within the city.

- Planning Update – Planning Director Shon Brooks presented a department overview, population overview, zoning caseload chart, growth maps, Comprehensive Plan Update, and GIS completed and future projects.
- Wrap-up discussion – Mayor Kevin Strength expressed appreciation of the department updates. Councilmember Melissa Olson inquired about providing GIS mapping to WISD to aid with school population growth. Councilmember Olson requested to see the building department software at the next retreat. City Manager Michael Scott suggested annual retreats to keep the City Council abreast of departmental activities. Mr. Scott thanked everyone for their attendance and recognized the city's professional staff.

3. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Amber Villarreal
Assistant City Secretary