

**CITY OF TATUM
REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING
December 6, 2021**

The City Council of the City of Tatum met in regular session on **December 6, 2021**, at **5:38p.m.** in the City Hall Meeting Room with the following members present:

Mayor - Clay Lassen

City Secretary – Kay Dyer

City Council

Jeff Keller

Kim R. Smith - Absent

Tate R. Smith

Jack York

Dana Buddecke – Mayor Pro-Tem

CITIZEN’S COMMENTS:

None


REGULAR BUSINESS:

1. **Last month’s minutes and checks written** – Mrs. Dana Buddecke made a motion to approve the last month’s minutes and checks written. Mr. Tate Smith seconded the motion and the motion passed with none opposed.
2. **Mr. J. R. Smith – Speed Limits & No Engine Brake Signs** – Mr. J. R. Smith is concern with the speed limits throughout the city. Speed limits are not posted on all city streets. He would like for City Council to pass ordinance making all residential city streets twenty (20) miles per hour. He also is concerned with the speed limits on State Highway 149 and State Highway 43. Mr. Smith stated that after the school zones the speed changes to fifty-five (55) miles per hour and it becomes a racing zone. Mr. Smith said it is dangerous to pull out from any business on these Highway. Mr. Jeff Keller is surprised the city hasn’t had fatalities from this. Chief April Rains said she would contact TX Dot and have them do a traffic study on State Hwy 149 and State Hwy 43. Mr. Jack York agreed with Chief Rains to have the study done. No motion needed.
3. **Certificate of Appointment of Commissioners of the City of Tatum Housing Authority Board of Directors** – Mr. Jeff Keller made a motion to accept the five (5) appointed members to Serve as Board Members for the City of Tatum Housing Authority. Mrs. Dana Buddecke seconded the motion and the motion passed with none opposed.
4. **Election Ballot for 2022-2023 Board of Directors for Rusk County Appraisal District** – Mrs. Dana Buddecke made a motion to cast three (3) votes for Mr. Drew Butler, two (2) votes for Mr. Dennis Eby, three (3) votes for Mr. Clifford Harkless, two (2) votes for Mr. Pat McCrory, and two (2) votes for Mrs. Neshia Partin. Mr. Jeff Keller seconded the motion and the motion passed with none opposed.
5. **No Through Truck Ordinance final reading** – Mr. Jack York asked Chief April Rains if the ordinance will be easy to enforce. Chief Rains said community will need to be educated on new ordinance. Mr. Tate Smith wanted to know where the semi-truck will be parking now. He said that the trucks are starting to come to his business and park. Mr. Jeff Keller said the new signs will need to match the ordinance, stating No thru semi-trucks. Mrs. Dana Buddecke made a motion to accept 2021-04 No Thru Semi-Trucks Ordinance. Mr. Jack York seconded the motion and the motion passed. Mr. Tate Smith did not vote.
6. **Insurance Services Office, Inc. (ISO) – Building Code Effectiveness Grading Schedule**

(BCEGS) – Mayor Clay Lassen wanted to educate the city council on BCEGS. Mayor Clay Lassen and City Secretary Kay Dyer met with Mr. Dean Shattuck, a representative from ISO in regards to the city’s ratings. Mr. Shattuck reviewed the city’s building ordinance and noticed the city is using the 2009 International Building Code and the 2008 National Electrical Code. Mr. Shattuck advised these codes are out of date and the city needs to consider adopting newer updated codes. No action taken.


9. **Planning and Zoning variance request** – Planning and Zoning Committee met and agreed to allow for a variance for a current business in Tatum. Planning and Zoning member, Mrs. Janie Lassen presented the request to the City Council for approval. Mr. Jack York made a motion to approve the variance. Mrs. Dana Buddecke seconded the motion and the motion passed with none opposed.
10. **Adjourn** - Mr. Jack York made a motion to adjourn @ 6:31 p.m. p.m. Mrs. Dana Buddecke seconded the motion and the motion passed, all in favor.

APPROVED:



Clay Lassen, Mayor

ATTEST:



Kay Dyer, City Secretary

