

**CITY COMMISSION MINUTES**  
**September 16, 2014**  
**9:00 A.M.**

The City Commission of the City of Sweetwater, Texas met in regular session on September 16, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. in the City Commission Room at City Hall, 200 E. Fourth Street with the following members present:

**JIM MCKENZIE**, Mayor  
**JIM LEE**, Commissioner  
**JEROD PEEK**, Mayor Pro-Tem

**EDWARD BROWN**, City Manager  
**PATTY TORRES**, City Secretary

Absent: **LARRY MAY**, Commissioner, **RICKY CASTRO**, Commissioner, and **PETER SHERIDAN**, City Attorney

Staff Members present: City Services Director Kirk Harris, and Utilities Director Eddy Campbell.

1. Mayor McKenzie called the meeting to order.
2. Action Items:
  - A. Motion was made by Commissioner Lee, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Peek to approve second and final reading of an Ordinance Amending the Budget for Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2013 and ending September 30, 2014. The motion carried unanimously.

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- B. Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Peek, seconded by Commissioner Lee to approve second and final reading of the Appropriations Ordinance for the 2014-2015 Budget. The motion carried unanimously.

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- C. Motion was made by Commissioner Lee, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Peek to approve second and final reading of an Ordinance to adopt the 2014-2015 Budget. The motion carried unanimously.

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- D. Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Peek, seconded by Commissioner Lee to enter into a public hearing to discuss the proposed tax rate of \$.48

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(48 cents) per \$100 valuation for Tax Year 2014. The motion carried unanimously.

- E. Motion was made by Commissioner Lee, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Peek to close the public hearing and return to regular session. The motion carried unanimously.
- F. No action was necessary from the public hearing.
- G. Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Peek, seconded by Commissioner Lee to approve first reading of an Ordinance fixing and levying a tax for the year 2014 upon all City property within the corporate city limits of the City of Sweetwater, Texas. The tax rate of \$.48 (48 cents) will raise more taxes for maintenance and operations than last year's tax rate. The tax rate will effectively be raised by 4.82 percent and will raise taxes for maintenance and operations on a \$100,000 home by approximately \$0.00. The motion carried unanimously.
- H. Motion was made by Commissioner Lee, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Peek to approve second and final reading of an Ordinance annexing the following described territory, to wit:

Area 1: 413.935 acres of land out of Section 36, Block 22, T & P RR. Co. Surveys, Nolan County, Texas.

Area 2: 109.830 acres of land out of Section 41, Block 21, T & P RR. Co. Surveys, Nolan County, Texas.

Area 3: 53.578 acres of land out of Section 52, Block 22, T & P RR. Co. Surveys, Nolan County, Texas.

The motion carried unanimously.

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- I. Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Peek, seconded by Commissioner Lee to approve second and final reading of an Ordinance amending Chapter 8 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Sweetwater entitled "City Cemetery" by amending section 8-20 entitled benches, fencing, etc., prohibited; exception. By deleting section 8-20 (a) and (b) and substituting a new section 8-20 entitled benches, fencing, etc., prohibited. The motion carried unanimously.

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3. Public Input.

None.

8. Motion was made by Commissioner Lee, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Peek to adjourn. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:08 a.m. The motion carried unanimously.

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Jim McKenzie, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Patty Torres, City Secretary

Persons signing register: Jim Clements