

CITY OF IVANHOE
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 1st, 2019

6:30 PM

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Bennett at 6:35 PM. A quorum was established with Council members Warren, Vonderlin and Morris present. Four individuals were in the audience.

Agenda Item #1 – Resolution #2019-1R establishing account(s) with TexasCLASS for financial purposes

Mayor Bennett turned the floor to Mr. Tony Sekely to provide Council with information about TexasCLASS (Cooperative Liquid Assets Securities System). Mr. Sekely explained the TexasCLASS financial investment service is only available to taxing entities in the State of Texas. The money market fund is established and regulated by Texas Government Code 22.56. Any invested funds in government securities are basically protected by the government. Funds on deposit have interest compounded and paid daily. Any funds on deposit can be disbursed upon authorization from a signatory, with wire-outs occurring at 10 AM, noon and 4 PM weekdays if funds are needed in a hurry. There is no charge for wire transfers from TexasCLASS. Mr. Sekely noted the fund is Triple A rated with about 800 accounts under contract; some \$8 billion invested in Commercial paper which carries slightly more risk, but a slightly higher return rate, and \$664 million in government securities. Comparison wise the interest rate paid today was 2.17% on commercial paper and 2.02% on government securities. Councilman Morris made the motion to adopt Resolution #2020-1R to join TexasCLASS. Councilman Vonderlin provided the second, and the motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #2 – Trust Agreement with TexasCLASS

The Trust Agreement with TexasCLASS was included as Exhibit D with Resolution #2020-1R.

Agenda Item #3 – Account(s) to be opened with TexasCLASS

Following discussion of the number of accounts to be opened with TexasCLASS, Councilman Warren made the motion to establish 4 accounts: #1-2019 Bond Issue, #2-2019 Sinking Fund, #3-General Fund, #4-Fund Balance. Councilman Vonderlin voiced the second to the motion and Council approved the motion unanimously.

Agenda Item #4 – Authorized Signatures on TexasCLASS account(s)

Following a discussion of the ability to transfer funds and providing for a measure of checks and balances, Councilman Warren made the motion to approve the Council members present as signatories on the

TexasCLASS accounts, with future additional signatories as needed. (That being Councilman Warren, Councilman Morris, Councilman Vonderlin and Mayor Bennett). Councilman Morris provided the second and the motion passed unanimously. In additional discussion it was agreed that the City Treasurer would be on the accounts as “read only”.

Agenda Item #5 – Investment Policy review & update

Mayor Bennett noted that the City’s Investment Policy had been submitted to TexasCLASS for review to make sure it met the requirements for placing funds with TexasCLASS. The Investment Policy had been approved by the company. Councilman Morris made the motion to amend the Investment Policy to include acceptable investment instruments to include Certificates of Deposit. Councilman Vonderlin provided the second, and the motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #6 – Adjourn

Councilman Warren made the motion to adjourn with a second by Councilman Vonderlin, and the workshop was concluded at 7:37 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

C. D. Woodrome, City Secretary