



**FARMERSVILLE CITY COUNCIL
CHARTER COMMISSION MINUTES
For
August 10, 2017, 6:30 P.M.**

I. PRELIMINARY MATTERS

- Mayor Piwko called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Commission members John Garcia, Paul Kelly, Wyatt Mcguire, Mike Hurst, Craig Overstreet, Bobby Bishop, Robbie Tedford, George Crump, and Chris Nickell were present. Mayor Diane Piwko, Staff liaison Sandra Green, and City Attorney Alan Lathrom were also present.
- Prayer was led by Craig Overstreet followed by the pledges to the United States flag and Texas flag.

II. REGULAR AGENDA

➤ **SUMMARY OF MEETING**

- Mike Hurst addressed the Commission and explained he and Craig Overstreet had been asked to lead the meeting.
 - Mike Hurst – Chairman
 - Craig Overstreet – Vice Chairman
- Mike Hurst asked if anyone had any objections to either of them running the meeting and there was none.
- Mike Hurst and Craig Overstreet explained the purposes of the Commission and explained the paperwork that had been given to all the members of the Commission included two examples of charters from other cities they wanted them to review. Some topics discussed were forms of government, annexation, inhabitants, and the pros and cons for becoming a Home Rule City.
- Alan Lathrom explained some of the legal aspects of becoming Home Rule and the difference between Home Rule and General

Law cities. He discussed annexation and how Home Rule Cities can utilize different laws in regards to annexation. He addressed issues related to City requirements on wait time, service plans for services, and other requirements the City would have to go through before annexation could take place. He also discussed how the City could set up term limits and number of people to sit on the City Council. Also, there could be guidelines established for sexual predators if the City becomes Home Rule.

- Some of the members asked questions about how the Commission would organize the Charter and write it. Some also asked why the City needed to become Home Rule and if the public was going to be informed and updated about the Charter process.
- All questions were answered and the Commission indicated the public would be educated and informed on the Charter's purpose and progress along the way.
- A new meeting date was scheduled for September 7, 2017 at 6:30 pm to start planning and creating City Charter.

III. REQUESTS TO BE PLACED ON FUTURE AGENDAS

- None

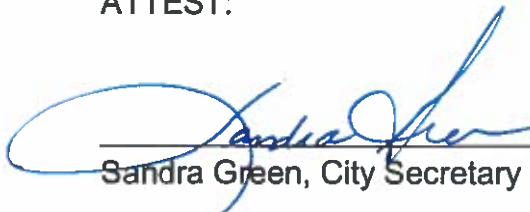
IV. ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

APPROVE:


Mike Hurst, Chairman

ATTEST:


Sandra Green, City Secretary

