

## **CITY OF DAINGERFIELD**

Regular Session – January 12, 2026

Meeting Minutes

### **Call to Order**

Mayor Wade Kerley called the City Council meeting for the City of Daingerfield to order at **6:00 PM** on Monday, January 12, 2026, at the Daingerfield Volunteer Fire Department located at 823 W.W.M. Watson Blvd.

### **Council Present**

- Mayor Wade Kerley
- Mayor Pro Tem Jessie Ayers
- Council Member Vicki Smith
- Council Member David Hood
- Council Member Ben Ramirez
- Council Member Bob Thorne

### **Council Absent**

N/A

### **City Staff Present**

- City Manager Michelle Jones
- City Secretary/Finance Director Amanda Sanders
- Police Chief Tracey Climer
- Fire Chief Jimmy Cornelius
- Assistant Fire Chief Travis Miller
- Code Compliance Officer- Carrie Kirkland

### **Others Present**

- Chase Rivet- Summit Locations
- Jim Goodman
- Mike Ward - Auditor
- Melissa Boyd
- Bruce Boyd

### **Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, and Texas Pledge**

Led by Mayor Wade Kerley

### **Public Comments**

No public comment.



### **Presentation (Information Only – No Action Taken)**

Presentation of the Audit for Fiscal Year 2024–2025 by Mike Ward, C.P.A.

### **Consent Agenda**

#### **Deliberate and Act to Approve Minutes of December 8, 2025.**

*Motion made by Mr. Ayers to approve minutes as presented.*

*Seconded by Mrs. Smith*

*Vote: All voted for / Motion carried.*

### **Business – Discuss, Consider, and Possibly Take Action Regarding:**

#### **A. Take from the Table- Selection and appointment of City Attorney and Municipal Court Prosecutor**

*Motion made by Mr. Hood to take from the table – selection and appointment of City Attorney and Municipal Court Prosecutor.*

*Seconded by Mrs. Smith*

*Vote: All voted for / Motion carried.*

#### **B. Selection and appointment of a City Attorney and Municipal Court Prosecutor.**

*Motion made by Mr. Hood to appoint Charles E. Zech and Denton Navarro Rodriguez Bernal Santee & Zech, P.C. as city attorney for the City of Daingerfield, effective January 12, 2026; to designate Denton Navarro Rodriguez Bernal Santee & Zech, P.C., or its assigned attorney, to serve as Municipal Court Prosecutor; to authorize Denton Navarro Rodriguez Bernal Santee & Zech, P.C. to provide legal services to the Daingerfield Type A and Type B Economic Development Corporations; and to authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute a professional services agreement consistent with council direction.*

*Seconded by Mrs. Smith*

*Vote: All voted for / Motion carried.*

#### **C. Planning Services Engagement Letter with Denton Navarro Rodriguez Bernal Santee & Zech, P.C.**

*Motion made by Mr. Ayers to approve Planning Services Engagement letter with Denton Navarro Rodriguez Bernal Santee & Zech, P.C. for professional planning and development-related services, and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement and utilize such services on an as needed basis.*

*Seconded by Mr. Ramirez*

*Vote: All voted for / Motion carried.*

**D. Take from the table request from Taylor Baumgardner with Summit location on behalf of Keith and Mica West to Extend a variance Allowing Installation of a free-standing billboard located at 1015 Linda Drive.**

*Motion made by Mr. Ayers to take from the table- sign variance request at 1015 Linda Drive.*

*Seconded by: Mr. Thorne*

*Vote: All voted for / Motion carried.*

**E. Action on request from Taylor Baumgardner with Summit location on behalf of Keith and Mica West to Extend a variance Allowing Installation of a free-standing billboard located at 1015 Linda Drive.**

*Motion made by Mr. Hood to reject the variance request.*

*Seconded by Mr. Thorne*

*Vote: All voted for / Motion carried.*

**F. Take from the table request from Taylor Baumgardner with Summit location on behalf of Jose Benitez to Extend a variance Allowing Installation of a free-standing billboard located at 1016 Linda Drive.**

*Motion made by Mr. Thorne to take from the table- sign variance request at 1016 Linda Drive.*

*Seconded by: Mr. Hood*

*Vote: All voted for / Motion carried.*

**G. Action on request from Taylor Baumgardner with Summit location on behalf of Jose Benitez to Extend a variance Allowing Installation of a free-standing billboard located at 1016 Linda Drive.**

*Motion made by Mr. Hood to reject the variance request.*

*Seconded by Mr. Ayers*

*Vote: All voted for / Motion carried.*

**H. Approve Budget Amendment Resolution 01122026-01**

*Motion made by Mr. Hood to approve resolution 01122026-01*

*Seconded by Mr. Ramirez*

*Vote: All voted for / Motion carried.*

**I. Approve Submission of a Grant Application for the Daingerfield Police Department Fleet Emergency Project.**

*Motion made by Mr. Hood to approve resolution as presented.*

*Seconded by Mr. Thorne*

*Vote: All voted for / Motion carried.*



**J. Approve purchase of fire department vehicle through cooperative purchasing program.**

*Motion made by Mr. Hood to approve the purchase of a fire department vehicle through a cooperative purchasing program.*

*Seconded by Mr. Ayers*

*Vote: All voted for / Motion carried.*

**K. Resolution regarding a finance contract for procuring a fire truck with Government Capital.**

*Motion made by Mr. Hood to approve the resolution as presented.*

*Seconded by Mrs. Smith*

*Vote: All voted for / Motion carried.*

**Monthly Departmental Reports (Informational Only)**

Animal Shelter, Code Enforcement, EMS, Fire, Library, Municipal Court, Police, Public Works, Financial Report, City Manager

**Monthly Boards and Commissions Minutes**

Northeast Texas Municipal Water District  
Morris County Appraisal District

**Adjournment**

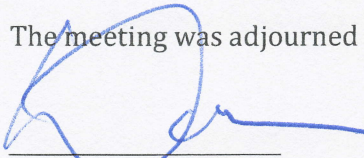
There being no further business, Mayor Kerley asked for a motion to adjourn.

*Motion made by Mr. Thorne*

*Seconded by Mr. Ramirez*

*Vote: All voted for / Motion carried.*

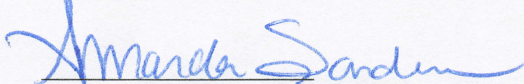
The meeting was adjourned at **7:07 PM**.



Wade Kerley, Mayor



ATTEST:



Amanda Sanders, City Secretary