

**City of Wimberley**  
 City Hall, 221 Stillwater  
 Wimberley, Texas  
**Minutes of Special Meeting of City Council**  
 March 16, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.

City Council meeting called to order at 10:01 a.m. by Mayor Pro tem John White.

Councilmembers Present: Mayor Mac McCullough (arrived at 10:03 a.m.); Councilmembers Bob Dussler, Craig Fore, Sally Gibson Trapp, Gary Barchfeld, and John White.

Staff Present: City Administrator Don Ferguson and City Secretary Cara McPartland

**Discussion and Possible Action**

- A. Discuss and consider possible action relating to the recent and future procurement of propane service for the Wimberley Community Center. (*Place Three Councilmember Sally Trapp*)

City Administrator Ferguson presented a rate comparison of Wimberley Hydro Gas and Bubba's Got Gas dating from 2014. Councilmember Trapp asked if there is a way to save money and keep our business local. Discussion addressed fluctuating gas prices due to market conditions; owning versus renting tanks; price matching among businesses; comparison of price quote procedures; obtaining additional quotes; comparison of services provided by Wimberley Hydro Gas and Bubba's Got Gas; existing tank installation issues; contract for a specific term of service versus month-to-month service; markup for gas over wholesale pricing; negotiating a contracted rate for a specific period; possible issuance of a call for proposals; intangible benefit of established relationships with vendors; limited number of local propane providers/servicers; and establishing a policy as guidance to staff, if Council prefers to stay with local businesses that are not the lowest priced options.

Councilmember Trapp moved to go back to Wimberley Hydro Gas based on the City's long-standing partnership with this company. Councilmember Fore seconded. Motion carried on a vote of 4-1. Councilmember Dussler voted against.

- B. Discuss and consider possible action regarding issues relating to the search for a new city administrator and the transition of the city administrator's duties and responsibilities. (*City Administrator*)

Council discussed procedures for reviewing applications/resumes; responses to applicants; emphasis on zoning/land use experience; applicant interviews; and status of existing capital projects/possible upcoming developments and associated challenges such projects may pose for a new city administrator. A special Council meeting was anticipated for March 20, 2017 to allow Council discussion and action on transition issues.

Mayor McCullough adjourned Open Session and convened Executive Session at 11:28 a.m., pursuant to §551.074 of the Texas Government Code for discussion of personnel matters.

Mayor McCullough adjourned Executive Session and reconvened Open Session at 2:25 p.m.

No action was taken in Executive Session.

Council discussed procedures for continuing its review of employment applications/resumes and sending response letters to applicants.

**Adjourn**

Mayor McCullough called the meeting adjourned at 2:28 p.m.

Recorded by:

*Cara McPartland*  
Cara McPartland

These minutes approved on the 6<sup>th</sup> of April, 2017.



**APPROVED:**

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "Mac McCullough".

**Mac McCullough, Mayor**