



**WORKSHOP OF THE GOVERNING BODY
RICE, TEXAS**

Thursday, November 14, 2024

7:00 PM

Rice City Hall

305 N. Dallas Street

Rice, TX 75155

Minutes

1. Call to Order: Mayor called meeting to order at 8:15 pm

2. Roll Call

**Troy Foreman: Present
Sheila Teague: Present
Rosa Vasquez: Present
Nick White: Present
Donnie P. Fisher: Present
Christi Campbell: Present**

Motion to Bypass items 3-5 made by Donnie P. Fisher and seconded by Troy Foreman.

Ayes: Donnie P. Fisher, Troy Foreman, Sheila Teague, Rosa Vasquez, Nick White,

Nays: None

Motion Passed

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Prayer

5. Public Forum

6. Agenda Items

a. Discuss Tax Abatement- John Boswell will discuss this topic to help plan growth in Rice.

**John Boswell explained the Tax abatement process.
All Council Members agreed to work have Vicki work with John on moving this process to create tax abatements for Rice.**

b. Discuss City vision:

1 Year

Christi Campbell will talk to brother about getting on the Agenda for the next Meeting with the Water Department meeting agenda.

To talk about blanket agreement.

Christi Campbell requested that Vicki Fisher contact Linebarger legal to review easement.

Christi Campbell: Roads and Infrastructure

Sheila Teague 1 year: Businesses Registrations so they won't get around property and sales taxes. Stop losing money on code enforcement.

**Rosa Vasquez: P and R improvements and more parks, dog park,
5-year plan: splash plan**

Troy Foreman: Roads, 1-year and 5-year plan.

Nick White: Roads and Infrastructure. Ready for growth.

Donnie P. Fisher: 1 and 5 years. Every Dirt Road Paved. Improve Code Enforcement.

Need workshop to go through ordinances.

c. Discuss road maintenance plan: equipment and materials

Ordering approved the Dump Bed Trailer.

Get quotes to use oil sand in Jefferson.

d. Discuss Staffing

Tom to schedule 2 weeks at a time and to follow this schedule to completion.

Once a project starts it needs to be finished as scheduled.

7. Adjourn: 10:15 pm

Attest:

Sharon Watkins, City Secretary/Finance Clerk

Date

