

**Village of Rockdale
Board Meeting Minutes
September 17, 2018**

1. **Call Meeting to Order.** President Nelles called the regular meeting of the Rockdale Village Board to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Robert M. Smithback Community Center.
2. **Attendance Roll Call.**
Village Board Members Present: Julie Nelles, Nicholas Castle, Jeri Boden, Sandra Yearman, and Alicia Hynes (arrived at 6:02 p.m.)
Village Board Members Absent: None
Others Present: Steve Andersen, Terri Van Den Einde and Linda Dieckhoff
3. **Announce Meeting/Reminder for Attendees to Sign In.**
President Nelles announced the meeting and reminded all visitors to sign the meeting sign-in sheet.
4. **Acknowledgement of Meeting Notice/Posting.** Clerk-Treasurer Dieckhoff confirmed the meeting had been properly posted.
5. **President's Welcome/Announcements.**
President Nelles welcomed all visitors and there were no announcements.
6. **Preview of Agenda.** No changes.
7. **Public Comment – Two Minute Limit Per Person.** None
8. **Discussion and possible approval of Village Board draft minutes of August 20, 2018.**
Motion by Castle, second by Yearman, to approve the draft minutes of the August 20, 2018 meeting. Motion carried 5-0.
9. **Old Business.**
 - a. **Discussion and possible action to approve draft letter regarding brush and leaf removal.**
Motion by Boden, second by Castle, to approve draft letter regarding brush and leaf removal.
 - b. **Discussion and possible action regarding unlicensed dogs in the Village.**
Will follow-up more next month.

10. New Business.**a. Discussion and possible action to approve The Ride on September 23, 2018.**

Lucas Molloy was present and discussed the ride. Approximately 550 people have signed up and the route has changed due to road construction in Cambridge. The alternate route will come through Rockdale.

Motion by Boden, second by Hynes, to approve The Ride on September 23, 2018 coming through Rockdale. Motion carried 5-0.

b. Discussion and possible approval of chicken license application for Lisa and Jesse Cox at 441 Water Street.

Motion by Castle, second by Boden, to approve chicken license application for Lisa and Jesse Cox at 441 Water Street. Motion carried 5-0.

c. Discussion and possible action on Sewer Utility rate increase consideration.

Steve Anderson and Terri Van Den Einde updated the board on why a rate increase was necessary. A draft letter will be presented to the board next month that will be sent to Village residents. A date of November 19, 2018 has been set for the public hearing/informational meeting in regard to the rate increase.

d. Discussion regarding bids for the 2018 – 2022 Professional Auditing Services for the Village of Rockdale.

The Village received two bids. There was some discussion regarding bids.

e. Discussion and possible action to award the bid for 2018 – 2022 Professional Auditing Services for the Village of Rockdale.

Motion by Castle, second by Boden, to award the bid for 2018 – 2022 Professional Auditing Services for the Village of Rockdale to Johnson Block as follows: 2018 - \$8,400, 2019 - \$8,650, 2020 - \$8,900, 2021 - \$9,150 and 2022 - \$9,400. Motion carried 5-0.

f. Discussion and possible action on 2018 garbage/recycling charge.

Motion by Hynes, second by Boden, to approve 2018 garbage/recycling charge of \$188.57 per unit. Motion carried 5-0.

g. Discussion and possible action regarding ash tree removal at 329 Benton Street.

Motion by Yearman, second by Hynes, to approve the removal of the ash tree at 329 Benton Street not to exceed a cost of \$1,500 and funding to come from beautification fund. Motion carried 5-0.

A resolution will be put on next month agenda to reflect amended budget approval.

