

Minutes

November 13th, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m.
Special Council Meeting / Election Canvass
Oran White Civic Center
701 N Tool Drive
Tool, TX 75143



1. Call to Order @ 6:00 p.m.
2. Roll Call: Bennett, Dumont, Figueroa, Fladmark, Sayre, Stykes. All Present. Quorum was established with Mayor Dumont Presiding
3. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
4. Declare, if any, Council's Conflicts of Interest. No Known Conflicts of Interest from present Council Members
5. **Citizen Comments:** Citizens wishing to speak on an agenda item must sign up to do so **(3 Minute Maximum)**
 - A. Diann Carroll spoke on item seven, item eight and item nine

Election Canvass

6. Canvass votes from the November 4th, 2025 City of Tool General Election. City Secretary Kimberley Price stated that there were 1,785 Registered Voters in the City of Tool, 602 Ballots Cast and a 33.73% Voter Turnout this Election. City Secretary Price concluded by stating the following totals:

Mayoral Race:

Vera Bennett – 313 total votes
Greg “Fig” Figueroa – 280 votes

City Council Race:

Tommy Salvato – 245 votes
Mike Dumont – 229 votes
Michael Fladmark – 203 votes
BG Pierce – 186 votes
Mark Holley – 86 votes
Randall Newkirk - 70 votes

7. Recognize outgoing members of the governing body. Mayor Dumont recognized Councilmember Fladmark on his service to the community by serving as a Councilmember and Mayor Pro-Tem. Councilmember Fladmark thanked Mayor Dumont for his kind words and concluded by thanking the citizens, staff and City Council for their support during his time on the City Council. Councilmember Figueroa thanked Councilmember Fladmark for his service on the City Council and continued by thanking Mayor Dumont for his service as the Mayor for the past two years and welcomed him as a returning City Council Member. Councilmember Figueroa concluded by congratulating Councilmember Bennett on her win as the new Mayor of Tool. Mayor Dumont thanked Councilmember Figueroa for his kind words and stated that he was excited to return to his previous position on the City Council as a Councilmember. Councilmember Bennett thanked the citizens for their support of her and continued by thanking the city staff for their support and their hard work for the city. Councilmember Bennett continued by thanking Councilmember Fladmark for his hard work on the City Council during his years of service. Councilmember Bennett continued thanking Mayor Dumont for his service on the City Council and as the Mayor. Councilmember Bennett continued stating that she looked forward to continuing working alongside Councilmember Figueroa. Councilmember Bennett concluded by welcoming Tommy Salvato to the City Council as a Councilmember.

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8. Install newly elected Council Members and Mayor to assume the duties of office, effective immediately. City Secretary Price swore in the elected officials by means of Statement of Elected Officials and Oaths of Office in the following order:

Tommy Salvato – Councilmember
Mike Dumont – Councilmember
Vera Bennett – Mayor

Mayor Bennett conducted the remainder of the Meeting. All Present. Quorum was established.

9. Consideration and appointment of Mayor Pro-Term. Motion to Appoint Councilmember Figueroa as Mayor Pro-Tem was made by Councilmember Salvato with second by Councilmember Dumont. Motion Passed 5/0.
10. Install newly appointed Mayor Pro-Tem. City Secretary Price swore in Councilmember Figueroa as Mayor Pro-Tem by means of Statement of Appointed Officer and Oath of Office.
11. **Council Comments** - *Hear announcements concerning matters appearing on the agenda; items of community interest; and/or inquiries of staff regarding specific factual information or existing policy from the Mayor, Councilpersons, and City staff, for which no formal action will be discussed or taken.*
 - A. Councilmember Dumont thanked his wife for her support in standing behind him during the past six years as a member of the City Council. Councilmember Dumont concluded by recognizing outgoing and welcoming incoming Councilmembers.
 - B. Councilmember Sayre welcomed the new Councilmembers and continued by stating that he was looking forward to this new City Council and all that they will accomplish. Councilmember Sayre concluded by thanking previous Councilmember Fladmark for his service to the City of Tool and for all the support and guidance that he provided to himself and the City of Tool.
 - C. Mayor Bennett stated that she was here to serve the citizens of Tool and that she will always be available to the community and city staff. Mayor Bennett continued by stating that even though there were rough times for her during her time as a City Councilmember, she was willing to put that behind her and move forward and continue to do what was in the best interest of the City of Tool. Mayor Bennett continued by congratulating the incoming and recognizing the outgoing Councilmembers and Mayor. Mayor Bennett concluded by discussing upcoming events at the Eight at Tool Park.
 - D. Councilmember Stykes congratulated the incoming Councilmembers and Mayor and concluded by thanking previous Councilmember Fladmark for his service as a Councilmember.
 - E. Councilmember Salvato thanked the citizens of Tool for electing him as a Councilmember. Councilmember Salvato continued by stating that he appreciated the help of his wife before, during and after his campaign and that he could not have done this without her support. Councilmember Salvato concluded by stating that he was going to give it his all as a Councilmember and do the very best for the City of Tool.
 - F. Councilmember Figueroa congratulated the incoming and outgoing members of the City Council and thanked everyone who ran in this election. Councilmember Figueroa continued by stating that he is looking forward to working with everyone to move the City of Tool forward. Councilmember Figueroa thanked his wife for help during his campaign. Councilmember Figueroa concluded by recognizing and welcoming incoming City Councilmembers.
12. **Staff Comments** - *Hear announcements concerning matters appearing on the agenda; items of community interest; Staff gives regards dealing with specific factual information or existing policy dealing within the*

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City, that may have an impact on citizens, staff or the City Council of Tool. No formal action will be discussed or taken.

- A. City Secretary Price recognized outgoing and welcomed incoming City Council members
- B. Building Technician Heath Hamaker recognized outgoing and welcomed incoming City Council members
- C. City Clerk Alicia Keith recognized outgoing and welcomed incoming City Council members
- D. Court Clerk Stacy Hamaker recognized outgoing and welcomed incoming City Council members
- E. Chief of Police Robert Walker recognized outgoing and welcomed incoming City Council members
- F. City Controller Kimberly Kroha recognized outgoing and welcomed incoming City Council members
- G. City Administrator Julius Kizzee recognized outgoing and welcomed incoming City Council members

13. Closing

- A. Next Meeting: November 20th, 2025
- B. Adjourn – Motion to Adjourn was made by Councilmember Stykes with second by Councilmember Dumont. Motion Passed 5/0. Meeting Adjourned @ 6:32 PM

A meeting that is “open to the public”, pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, is one that the public is permitted to attend. The act does not entitle the public to choose the items to be discussed or to speak about items on the agenda. If the City Council, during the course of the meeting covered by this notice, should determine that an executive session is required, then such executive session, as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Section 551.001 et seq., will be held by the Council at the date, hour and place given in this notice, concerning but not limited to the following sections and purposes of the Act: 551.071 Private consultation with the city’s attorney; 551.072 Deliberations about Real Property; or, 551.074 Discussing personnel or to hear complaints against personnel. Should any final action, final decision or final vote be required in the opinion of the City Council regarding any matter considered in such executive session, then the final action, final decision or final vote shall be in the open meeting covered by this Notice upon the reconvening of the public meeting.

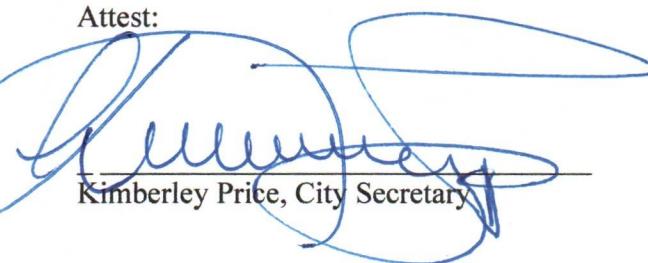
I certify that the above notice of meeting, a true and correct copy, was posted on the bulletin board in front of Tool City Hall prior to the required 72 hours and that the city’s official newspaper was notified.



Mike Dumont, Mayor



Attest:



Kimberley Price, City Secretary