

City of Oak Ridge
Kaufman County, Texas
Public Hearing
City Council Minutes
October 8, 2020 at 6:00 PM

Item 1

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Al Rudin at 6:00 PM. Present were Scherri Holmes, Janelle Davis, Rolando Guzman, Nena Langford, and Jimmy Quick. City Secretary Donna Sprague was in attendance.

Item 2 To Meet and Discuss with TxDot Officials on the Proposed 34 Feasibility and Alignment Study

Council was introduced to all the TxDot Officials and their positions. They went over the proposed study that had been the concern of the Council. Then John Poston spoke at length at the reason that Terrell and Kaufman preferred the Hwy 34 route to the others. Mayor Al Rudin took issue with him as to why the City of Oak Ridge was not considered in his discussions. He compared the City of Terrell would not want an expansion down Moore Ave, and City of Kaufman would not want one going down Washington St. Speaking of the City of Kaufman it was pointed out that it went around the City out in the rural area. What he was proposing was going down the middle of the City of Oak Ridge. Mr. Poston admitted that he had dropped the ball, and had not consulted with Oak Ridge at all. Each member of the council made comments and voiced their disapproval of the proposed study. Noting displacement of many of the residents. The taking of the frontage of many properties along St. Hwy. 34 which were the most valuable part of their property. The State stated that all that had been discussed would be reviewed, and future meetings would include Oak Ridge.

We had several visitors at the meeting, but they were not allowed to speak. After the meeting they each one expressed appreciation that the Mayor and Council had stood up for their interest.

Item 3

Motion to Adjourn

Motion was made by Nena Langford and seconded by Rolando Guzman. All being in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:16 PM.

Al Rudin, Mayor

ATTESTED:

Donna Sprague, City Secretary