

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE EAST DUBLIN MAYOR AND COUNCIL

April 14, 2025

The regular meeting of the East Dublin Mayor and Council was called to order by Mayor George Gornto.

Invocation was led by Councilman Tanner followed by pledge to the flag.

A motion was made by Councilman Williams and seconded by Councilwoman Roberson to approve the previous meeting minutes as read. All voted in favor with none opposed.

A motion to approve the bills was made by Councilman Tanner and seconded by Councilman Sheppard. All voted in favor with none opposed.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Roberson and seconded by Councilman Williams to approve the financial statements. All voted in favor with none opposed.

The proposed East Dublin Zoning Board members list was presented to the Council as follows:

Larry Kight
David Davis
Mickey Roberson
Christine Rozier
Dawn Wood
Clint Luecke

Mayor Gornto advised the Council that the zoning board is to consist of seven members and asked that the Council locate another person to be added at a later date.

After discussion, a motion was made by Councilman Williams and seconded by Councilman Tanner to approve the above six members to be placed on the East Dublin Zoning Board. All voted in favor with none opposed. (See Attached List)

The proposed East Dublin Appeals/Variance Board members list was presented to the Council as follows:

Larry Drew
Clint Luecke
Tracy Joiner

After discussion, a motion to approve the proposed East Dublin Appeals/Variance Board was made by Councilman Williams and seconded by Councilman Tanner. All voted in favor with none opposed. (See Attached List)

The item "Recreation" was for the purchase of equipment to drag the baseball fields at Warnock Park. The purchase was under the Mayor's allowance of \$5,000, therefore, there was no motion needed in order for Mayor Gornto to approve the purchase. It was discussed that the equipment will be purchased with the Mayor's approval.

At this time Mayor Gornto opened the floor for Recognition of Citizens.

Jimmy Covington of 304 Larsen Street addressed the Council telling the thank you for the new sewer service lines in his neighborhood. He then addressed the Council regarding the burned houses in his neighborhood that have yet to be torn down. Mayor Gornto stated that the City was currently working on a nuisance property list and each property Mr. Covington mentioned was on the list.

Mr. Covington then addressed the Council about not seeing police patrolling the area. He stated that with the burned houses there have been a lot of foot traffic and he felt that having the police patrol the area would help deter it. Chief Bill Luecke stated that he would have his officers patrol more in the area.

Juanita Roberson of 103 Attwood Drive, East Dublin, addressed the Council, asking for an update on the nuisance property, which one of them was her mother's house where her brother now lives in. Mayor Gornto said that letters were to be sent out to all on the list, but had not at this time, but would be out by the end of April.

She then stated that she had not seen the city public works trucks in several days. She had stopped by City Hall to request a pick-up of the leaves at her son's house at 409 Attwood. City Clerk Melissa Bassett said she would check on this.

At this time Mayor Gornto opened the floor to Council Comments.

Councilman Tanner asked that the information from the report given by Dawn Wood and Curtis Warnock regarding the recreation department that she gave during pre-council be recorded in the minutes.

The recreation report from Dawn Wood is as follows:

Dawn Wood and Curtis Warnock reported that there were 121 kids signed up to play baseball and softball with on two registration refunds for the U14 boys. Dawn advised the Mayor and Council that opening day for baseball and softball will be Saturday, May 3rd at 10:00 am. She asked Mayor Gornto to speak during opening ceremonies and stated that Brewton Baptist Church was going to serve hot dogs and she has invited some food trucks to come in as well, who, if they come will donate 10% of their sales back to the recreation department. She also stated that the concession stand will be open to sell drinks, chips and candy.

Being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Williams and seconded by Councilman Tanner. All voted in favor with none opposed.

Approved: 5/12/2025

Mayor

City Clerk

Attending:

Mayor George H. Gornto
City Clerk Melissa Bassett
City Attorney Charles Butler
Police Chief Bill Luecke
Dawn Wood
Curtis Warnock

Council Members:

Brenda Roberson
Len Tanner, Jr
John Sheppard
Al Williams