



**VILLAGE OF PLEAK
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 17, 2025
MINUTES**

The Board of Aldermen of the Village of Pleak, Texas met in Regular Session, open to the public, on September 17, 2025, started at 7:02 p.m. in the Pleak Village Hall located at 6621 FM 2218 South, Richmond, Texas. Council members present Mayor Michael John, Alderman's Wade Goates, Wayne Kelley, Alex Gutierrez Damon Kuhn & Sophia Rico. Mayor Michael John opened the meeting with a prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

- 1. Mayor Michael John and the Village of Pleak Council to formally recognize former Mayor Larry Bittner for his years of unwavering dedication and service to the Village of Pleak and its residents.**

Former Mayor Larry Bittner was unable to attend to receive his reward for recognition and dedication to the Village of Pleak.

- 2. Council to discuss and take action on an ordinance adopting a tax rate in the amount of \$0.25 per \$100.00 valuation of property, and levying ad valorem taxes at that rate for use and support of the municipal government of the Village of Pleak.**

Wade Goates made a motion to approve an ordinance that a property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.250000 per \$100 of value, which is effectively a 6.16% increase in the tax rate. Alex Gutierrez seconded the motion and was unanimously approved.

- 3. Council to approve or correct the minutes as presented from August 20, 2025, Budget Public Hearing, August 20, 2025, City Council Meeting and September 3, 2025, Joint Workshop.**

Sophia Rico made a motion to approve the minutes as presented from August 20, 2025, Budget Public Hearing, August 20, 2025, City Council Meeting and September 3, 2025, Joint Workshop. The motion was seconded by Damon Kuhn and was unanimously approved.

- 4. Present, discuss, and Council to take action on the August financial reports.**

Wayne Kelley made a motion to approve the August financial reports. Sophia Rico seconded the motion and was unanimously approved.

- 5. Public comments from Village Citizens - No action can be taken.**

No Public comments were made from Village Citizens.

6. Council to discuss and take action on Village of Pleak Water Plant No. 1 phase 1 pay applications estimate No.7 certified by RGME.

Damon Kuhn made a motion to approve Plant No.1 phase 1 pay applications estimate No. 7 certified by RGME using the money from the New First Infrastructure Account in the amount of \$650,000.00 and the remaining balance out of the New First regular bank account. Alex Gutierrez seconded the motion and was unanimously approved.

7. Council to discuss and take action on a Variance Request for a Church Building Extension – Iglesia Cristiana Nuevo Pacto at 5605 Pleak Road.

Wade Goates made a motion to approve the Variance Request for a Church Building Extension – Iglesia Cristiana Nuevo Pacto at 5605 Pleak Road. Sophia Rico seconded the motion and was unanimously approved.

8. Council to discuss and take action on compensation (vacation and/or pay raises) for employees that average more than 20 hours a week.

Wade Goates made a motion to approve 20 hours of paid vacation for the 2 Village of Pleak employees City Secretary Erin Walley and Assistant City Secretary Beverly Torres-Villarreal. Also, a \$1.00 pay increase bringing Erin Walley's pay to \$21.00 an hour and for Assistant Secretary Beverly Torres-Villarreal bringing her pay to \$16.00 an hour. Damon Kuhn seconded the motion and was unanimously approved.

9. Council to discuss and take action on election for Regional Director on the TML Board.

Damon Kuhn made a motion to nominate Sally Branson, Councilmember, Friendswood (Incumbent) in the election for Regional Director on the TML Board. Wayne Kelley seconded the motion and was unanimously passed.

10. Council to discuss and take action on a resolution nominating a candidate for a position on the board of directors of the Fort Bend County Appraisal District.

No action was taken on nominating a candidate for position on the board of directors for the Fort Bend County Appraisal District.

11. Mayor Michael John to proclaim October at Czech Heritage Month.

Mayor Michael John made a Proclamation of October being Czech Heritage Month and presented Glenn McDonald with the proclamation.

12. Announcements.

Mayor Michael John made an announcement that he will be riding on the Float for the Fort Bend County Fair Parade.

13. Council to discuss setting up a Workshop for October 2025.

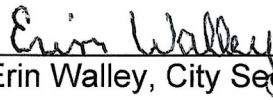
There is no Workshop set for the month of October 2025.

14. Adjournment.

Damon Kuhn made a motion adjourn the meeting at 7:42 p.m. Alex Gutierrez seconded the motion and was unanimously approved.



Michael John, Mayor



Erin Walley, City Secretary