City Council Meeting to be Rescheduled

To the citizens of Berryville, we must inform you that this notification of City Council meeting fails to comply with Texas Open Meetings Act and Texas Government Code as of September 1, 2023 as noted below.

The requirement clearly states that the meeting notice and agenda must be posted 72 hours prior to the meeting. If the city has a website, the requirement is that the notice and agenda must be published to the website 72 hours prior to the meeting. Since the City of Berryville has a website, we must publish both the notice and agenda on the website as well as at City Hall. Otherwise, the City would be subject to potential fines and other penalties.

Gov't Code Section 551.056

Additional Posting Requirements for Certain Municipalities, Counties, School Districts, Junior College Districts, Development Corporations, Authorities, and Joint Boards

(a)

This section applies only to a governmental body or economic development corporation that maintains an Internet website or for which an Internet website is maintained. This section does not apply to a governmental body described by Section 551.001 (Definitions)(3)(D).

(b)

In addition to the other place at which notice or an agenda of a meeting is required to be posted by this subchapter, the following governmental bodies and economic development corporations must also concurrently post notice of a meeting and the agenda for the meeting on the Internet website of the governmental body or economic development corporation:

(1)

a municipality;

As newly appointed members of the council we swore to uphold the laws of the State of Texas and we are obligated to do so. The reason we are on council is to ensure that the City operates in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations. We informed the Mayor that this meeting is in violation of the State of Texas requirements and needs to be rescheduled for a time that ensures the meeting notice and agenda publications comply with state law.

We apologize for any inconvenience.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis L Selby City Council Position 1

Brenda J Pulis City Council Position 2

Gene Fagelson City Council Position 4