

**SPECIAL MEETING
TOUR
November 13th, 2015, 8:30 a.m.**

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS,
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF CITY HALL**

The City Council of the City of Abilene, Texas, met in a Special Meeting to conduct a Field Trip to visit the Bland Ranch well site @ 6812 FM 3326 S Hawley, Texas. Mayor Norm Archibald was present and presiding with Councilmen Shane Price, Steve Savage, Anthony Williams, and Bruce Kreitler. Councilmen Kyle McAlister and Jay Hardaway were both absent. Also present were City Manager Robert Hanna, Interim City Attorney Stanley Smith, City Secretary Danette Dunlap, and various other members of staff.

The Mayor called the meeting to order with a quorum of council members present. The meeting was recessed as council travel by CityLink bus to the well site. Council then moved from the bus to awaiting pickups to travel to the actual well site.

Mayor Archibald reconvened the meeting and council heard from Mr. Rex Bland, David Bell, Sam Chase and Jim Leonard with Leonard's Irrigation. Mr. Bland demonstrated the output of the well.

Council and Staff heard the history of the acreage and the wells located on the Seymour Aquifer. Discussion included: 1) HDR reviews of the wells; 2) testing; 3) drought conditions; 4) how much can be pumped varies; 5) short & long term options; 6) Ft. Phantom; and 7) water strategies.

Mayor recessed the meeting and the council boarded the bus back to city hall, where mayor reconvened the meeting and announced no votes or action was taken regarding the Bland wells.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:28 a.m.

Danette Dunlap
City Secretary

Norm Archibald
Mayor