

**MINUTES**  
**SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION**  
**CITY OF MURPHY**  
**206 North Murphy Road**  
**Murphy, Texas**

**JANUARY 10, 2011**  
**6:00 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Pro Tem John Daugherty called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

**INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL & CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM**

Secretary Nemer certified a quorum with the following:

Council Present

Mayor Pro Tem John Daugherty  
Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Colleen Halbert  
Councilmember Scott Bradley  
Councilmember Dave Brandon  
Councilmember Dennis Richmond  
Councilmember Mike Daniel

Absent

Mayor Bret Baldwin

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments were submitted.

**WORK SESSION**

- 1. Presentation by North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD).**
- 2. Update on NTMWD Water and Wastewater Services.**
- 3. Discussion regarding NTMWD Contracts.**

Presentation and Discussion

Judd Sanderson, Director of Finance for NTMWD and Jim Parks, Executive Director for NTMWD presented information to Council and staff on the North Texas Municipal Water District system, specifics to Murphy, and existing contracts between Murphy and NTMWD. There was discussion regarding the rate structure and formula and the benefits of conservation.

- 4. Discussion regarding the newly updated Drought Contingency and Water Emergency Response Plan and required ordinance.**
- 5. Discussion regarding the Water Conservation Plan and utility rate structure.**

Discussion

Staff explained that both the Drought Contingency/Water Emergency Response Plan and the Water Conservation Plan ordinances are required by state and federal mandates and required for the City to receive Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) permits. Staff explained that the NTMWD provides model plans through their consultant Freese and Nichols, Inc. City Manager Fisher requested Council to review the proposed plans and submit questions over the next three weeks. Staff will bring the proposed ordinances to Council for consideration at the February 1<sup>st</sup> meeting.

**6. Discussion regarding Utility Fund.**

**Discussion**

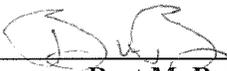
There was discussion regarding updating the rate study with current numbers including a pass-through rate from NTMWD. Council requested to look at what the City is paying NTMWD, what the City's cost is, and develop a rate structure that is accurate and fair for all customers.

It was determined that a separate Work Session would be scheduled that would be dedicated to discussing the utility rate structure.

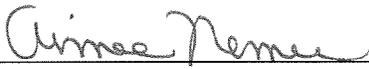
**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

**APPROVED BY:**

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
**Bret M. Baldwin, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
**Aimee Nemer, City Secretary**

