

**REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING
LONE STAR CITY COUNCIL
FIRE HALL – 201 WEST INDUSTRIAL
June 18, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.**

*We reserve the right to enter into Executive Session on any Agenda item pertaining to
TEX. GOV'T CODE ANN. Sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.073, 551.074, 551.075, 551.076, 551.077*

In compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, of the Texas Government Code, the City of Lone Star issues this public notice. If, during the course of the meeting, any discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in executive or closed session, the board will convene in such executive or closed session in accordance with Section 551 of the Texas Government Code, Et Seq. The City Council will consider and act on the following items:

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on the meeting notice.

MINUTES

Present were Mayor Karl Stoermer, Mayor Pro Tem Martha Wexler, Aldermen Randy Hodges, Earl Alexander, Jerri Chism and Mona Brown.

1. CALL TO ORDER by Mayor Karl Stoermer
2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Invocation led by Karl Stoermer
Pledge of Allegiance led by Karl Stoermer
3. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Sandy Duke reminded the Council about the Northeast Texas Municipal Water District Appreciation dinner on June 23 at the Legacy Event Center.

4. CONSENT ITEMS:
 - A. Minutes of the Canvass on May 19, 2015.
 - B. Minutes of the Regular Meeting on May 21, 2015.

A motion was made by Mona Brown and second by Martha Wexler to accept the Minutes of the May 19, 2015 and May 21, 2015 meetings, as presented. ALL VOTED AYE.

5. REPORTS:
 - 5-1: Judge/Court Report
 - 5-2: Public Works Report
 - 5-3: Police Department Report
 - 5-4: Fire Chief Report
 - 5-5: Fire Marshall Report
 - 5-6: NETWD Director's Report
 - 5-7: Economic Development Corporation Minutes
 - 5-8: Financial Reports
 - a. Water and Sewer Fund
 - b. General Fund

A motion was made by Martha Wexler and second by Mona Brown to approve Reports 5-1 through 5-8(a)(b) as presented. ALL VOTED AYE.

6. ACTION ITEMS:

6-1: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action on the Texas Municipal League Intergovernmental Benefits Pool insurance rates for the 2015-2016 year.

No action was taken.

6-2: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council regarding the request of Precious Allen to use the gymnasium at the former Lone Star Elementary as a rehearsal space.

A motion was made by Randy Hodges and second by Earl Alexander to allow the dance group to use the gymnasium at the former Lone Star Elementary, through February, 2016. ALL VOTED AYE.

6-3: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to amend Ordinance 2008-268, An Ordinance Prohibiting Changeable Electronic Variable Message signs (CEVMS) In the City of Lone Star, Texas and Its Extraterritorial Jurisdiction, allowing for the installation of an electronic sign by the Lone Star Economic Development Board.

A motion was made by Earl Alexander and second by Randy Hodges to amend Ordinance 2008-268 to read "From and after the effective date, no CEVMS shall be allowed within the Sign Code Application Area, save and except an informational sign installed by the City of Lone Star" in Section 3. Also, the language regarding Extraterritorial Jurisdiction shall be removed. ALL VOTED AYE.

6-4: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action on the approval of a loan from the City of Lone Star to the Lone Star Economic Development Board, in the amount of \$5,000.00 to purchase an electronic sign.

A motion was made by Mona Brown and second by Martha Wexler for a loan in the amount of \$5,000.00 to be made from the City of Lone Star General Fund to the Lone Star Economic Development Board for the purchase of an electronic sign. ALL VOTED AYE.

6-5: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action on a schedule for workshops and public hearing on the City of Lone Star Budget for budget year beginning October 1, 2016

The Council agreed that budget workshops shall be held on August 3 and 10, 2015 at 1:00 PM, a public hearing on the budget on August 27, 2015 at 5:30 pm and meeting to approve the budget at 6:00 pm on August 27, 2015.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION: City Council to convene into executive session to discuss the resignation of a police officer and reassignment of a part-time officer to full time (TEX. GOV'T CODE ANN. § 551.074). The council will then re-convene in open session for review, discussion, and possible action on these matters.

The City Council retired into Executive Session at 6:39 pm. No action was taken in Executive Session

8. RE-CONVENE IN OPEN SESSION: City Council to re-convene in Open Session for Review, Discussion, and Possible action on the resignation of a police officer and reassignment of a part-time officer to full time.

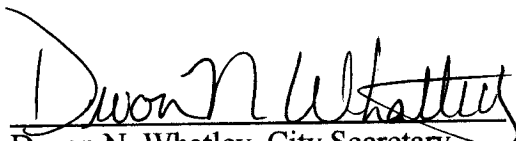
The City Council re-convened in Open Session at 6:51 pm. A motion was made by Jerri Chism and second by Mona Brown to accept the resignation of Sgt. Susan Laake, with gratitude and to promote Officer Bret Gutierrez to full-time and Steven Blythe to Lieutenant. ALL VOTED AYE.

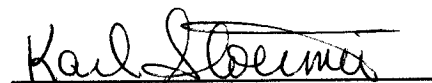
9. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Karl Stoermer presented his report, stating that at the next meeting, the Council would elect a Mayor Pro Tem. The Mayor also informed the Council that the Byrne Street construction project had been completed with a close-out inspection on June 12, 2015. The delay in the USDA project is due to the difficulty in obtaining two easements from U.S. Steel on Lift Stations 2 and 6. The Mayor is still working on the evaluation criteria and subcontracting plan on the boat ramp project. The Mayor advised the Council there is an opening on the Economic Development Board and encouraged citizens to complete a Volunteer Application for the position. The Mayor updated the Council on the Fire Department's Memorial Day hot dog event and opening festivities at the City Park, including a BBQ cook-off and softball tournament. The failure of the hot water heater at the Fire Department and roof leak were also reported. Also, the Mayor informed the Council of the need for a new submersible pump at the waste water treatment plant.

10. ADJOURN

A motion was made by Jerri Chism and second by Randy Hodges to adjourn. ALL VOTED AYE.


Devon N. Whatley, City Secretary


Karl Stoermer, Mayor

Note: Any subject placed on this agenda, regardless of how the matter is stated may be acted on by the City Council and may be legally approved at this 21st day of May, 2015 meeting.