

**REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING
LONE STAR CITY COUNCIL
FIRE HALL – 201 WEST INDUSTRIAL
December 15, 2016 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 Jerri Chism (arrived at Item 5), Aldermen Randy Hodges, Ryan Harte and Lynn Cox and City Secretary Devon Whatley. Absent was Mona Brown

1. CALL TO ORDER by Mayor Karl Stoermer

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Invocation led by Lynn Cox

Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Karl Stoermer

3. CITIZEN COMMENTS: None.

4. CONSENT ITEMS:

A. Minutes of the Regular Scheduled Meeting on November 17, 2016.

A motion by Lynn Cox and second by Randy Hodges to approve minutes of November 17, 2016, as presented. ALL PRESENT VOTED AYE.

5. REPORTS:

5-1: Judge/Court Report

5-2: Police Department Report

5-3: Fire Chief's Report

5-4: Fire Marshal's Report

5-5: Public Works Supervisor's Report

5-6: NETWD Director's Report

5-7: Economic Development Corporation Minutes and Financial Report

5-8: Financial Reports

a. Water and Sewer Fund

b. General Fund

A motion by Randy Hodges and second by Lynn Cox to approve reports 5-1 through 5-8 (a) and (b), as presented. ALL PRESENT VOTED AYE.

6. NON-ACTION ITEMS:

6-1: The Mayor will report on the status of the USDA and boat ramp projects.

The Mayor reported that we are awaiting approval by US Steel of the easements for Lift Stations 2 and 6. The boat ramp project contract is being submitted to Texas Parks & Wildlife. No action was taken.

6-2: The audit of the City's finances for the 2015-2016 fiscal year was completed this week by Arnold, Walker, Arnold & Co.. A representative from Arnold, Walker, Arnold & Co. will make a report at the January meeting.

No action was taken.

7. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

7-1: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action regarding use of the Lone Star Elementary building. Jerry W. Johnson with Lone Star Technical College will speak to the Council regarding reopening the school to bring back a sense of pride, jobs and economic development to the community.

Richard Traylor presented information to the Council regarding possible future use of the Lone Star Elementary building for community training. Their main speaker was unable to attend this meeting, therefore they were unable to provide the necessary information to the Council. A motion was made by Lynn Cox and second by Jerri Chism to place this item on the January Agenda. All present voted aye.

7-2: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action regarding possibly contracting with Wrecker and Recovery Services for a city wrecker service. Brian Wells will speak to the Council.

No one from Wrecker and Recovery Services was present. No action was taken.

7-3: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action regarding moving Stephen Rathbun to full-time police officer status. The Mayor will address the Council regarding this promotion.

A motion was made by Lynn Cox and second by Jerri Chism to move Stephen Rathbun to full-time officer status. Voting Aye were Lynn Cox, Jerri Chism and Randy Hodges. Voting Nay was Ryan Harte.

7-4: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to write off to bad debts unpaid water, sewer, and garbage collection charges on inactive accounts where the service was disconnected prior to September 30, 2016.

A motion by Randy Hodges and second by Jerri Chism to write off to bad debts, unpaid water, sewer and garbage collection charges on inactive accounts. All present voted aye.

8. ADJOURN

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

/s/ Devon N. Whatley
Devon N. Whatley, City Secretary

/s/ Karl Stoermer
Karl Stoermer, Mayor