

**REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING  
LONE STAR CITY COUNCIL  
FIRE HALL – 201 WEST INDUSTRIAL  
May 17, 2018 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 Pro Tem Jerri Chism, Aldermen Keith Reiter, Mona Brown, Trent Duke and Lynn Cox and City Secretary Devon Whatley. Absent was Mayor Randy Hodges.**

**1. CALL TO ORDER by Mayor Pro Tem Jerri Chism.**

**2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**Invocation led by Alderman Lynn Cox.**

**Pledge of Allegiance recited in unison**

**3. ELECTION MATTERS:**

Administer Oath to Newly Elected Officials

**Oaths of Office were administered to Aldermen Jerri Chism, Lynn Cox and Trent Duke by City Secretary Devon Whatley.**

**4. CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

**Sandy Duke stated that she is for improving the park, but not clear-cutting the trees.**

**Krystal Bunt stated that she is opposed to cutting all of the trees at the park and that perhaps bringing in experts in trees and playscaping would be in order**

**Jay Davis asked that the Council reconsider the amount of trees to be cut.**

**Stacy Guerrero asked that the Council reconsider the amount of trees to be removed from the park.**

**Travis Pool stated that he did not want the game rooms to stay open later. He stated that the Mobil is a hub of crime and knows they give out money.**

**5. CONSENT ITEMS:**

A. Minutes of the Regular Scheduled Meeting on April 19, 2018.

**A motion was made by Mona Brown and second by Trent Duke to accept the Minutes of the Regular Scheduled Meeting on April 19, 2018. All present voted aye.**

## **6. REPORTS:**

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

**A motion was made by Mona Brown and second by Keith Reiter to approve reports 6-1 to 6-8 (a) and (b). All present voted aye.**

## **7. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

7-1: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council on an Agenda Request by Wade Gottlieb. Mr. Gottlieb is requesting a variance to place a cement driveway three feet from the property line at 109 Martin Street. Ordinance 54 (Zoning Ordinance) does not specifically speak to a distance requirement for a driveway, only structures (five feet). Ordinance Officer Kenny Taylor advised Mr. Gottlieb to get a survey to ensure that his property line is in fact where he believes it to be and to obtain letters from adjacent property owners that they do not oppose the installation of a driveway three feet from the presumed property line.

**Mr. Gottlieb presented photos of the driveway site and a letter from his neighbor permitting the driveway to the Council. A motion was made by Trent Duke and second by Keith Reiter to allow Mr. Gottlieb to place a driveway three feet from the property line. All present voted aye.**

7-2: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council to approve the Financial Audit for the Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2017 as presented by the audit firm of Arnold, Walker, Arnold, and Company, P.C.

**Bob Arnold with Arnold, Walker, Arnold and Company spoke to the Council and provided a brief overview of the contents of the audit report. A motion was made by Mona Brown and second by Trent Duke to approve the financial audit for fiscal year ending September 30, 2017. All present voted aye.**

7-3: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council to authorize Mayor Hodges to sign the Letter of Engagement with Arnold, Walker, Arnold, and Company to perform the Financial Audit for the Year Ending September 30, 2018.

**A motion was made by Trent Duke and second by Mona Brown to authorize Mayor Hodges to sign the Letter of Engagement with Arnold, Walker, Arnold and Company to perform the Financial Audit for the Year Ending September 30, 2018. All present voted aye.**

7-4: Review, Discussion and Possible Action select a Mayor Pro Tem for the term of one year.

**A motion was made by Trent Duke and second by Keith Reiter to name Jerri Chism as Mayor Pro Tem for the term of one year. All present voted aye.**

7-5: Review, Discussion and Possible Action to consider a request by Mitch Cox, on behalf of the Economic Development Board, to expend EDC funds for the cleaning of Rocky Point and removal of trees from the city park.

**Alderman Mona Brown stated that the Texas Forrest Service is going to come assess the trees in the park. Also, Hartford Parks and Recreation will come make an assessment of what is suitable for the park in the way of playground/recreation equipment.**

**A motion to table this item was made by Trent Duke and a second by Keith Reiter. All present voted aye.**

7-6: Review, Discussion and Possible Action on Ordinance 282 Ordinance Establishing Rules and Regulations Concerning Placement and Operation of Gaming Rooms Operating Legal Amusement Redemption Machines Within the Incorporated City Limits of Lone Star, Texas to consider, at the request of a local business owner, changing the hours of operation addressed in Section 5(A)(1) to make them later.

**Brenda, manager of the Mobil spoke requesting to be able to stay open until 4:00 am. People coming off of shifts at US Steel aren't able to play and people driving the paper routes are unable to play with the current hours. The store has taken a large financial loss with the hours established by the Ordinance. She stated that they are unable to afford security with these hours and they want the security at the store.**

**A motion was made by Trent Due and second by Mona Brown to deny the request for additional hours. The hours of operation will remain as stated in the current Ordinance. Voting aye were Trent Duke, Mona Brown and Lynn Cox. Abstaining was Keith Reiter. The motion carried.**

7-7: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to consider accepting the donation of .8030 acres of real estate located at 105 W. Priscilla Lane (north corner of Priscilla and Hwy 259). Vicki Lancaster, Trustee of the Nancy Reese Family Trust would like to donate this property to the City.

**A motion was made by Trent Duke and second by Lynn Cox to accept the donation of property. All present voted aye.**

## **8. ADJOURN**

**A motion to adjourn was made by Mona Brown and second by Keith Reiter. All present voted aye.**

/s/Randy Hodges  
Randy Hodges, Mayor

/s/ Devon Whatley  
Devon Whatley, City Secretary