#### REGULAR MEETING

# LONE STAR CITY COUNCIL FIRE HALL – 201 WEST INDUSTRIAL

### May 21, 2020 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 551.071-551.078, 551.087-551.089

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 Rudy Dudley, 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 Rudy Dudley. Pledge of Allegiance recited in unison

- **3. CITIZEN COMMENTS:** A comment submitted via email regarding the sale of Rocky Point by Cody Wommack was read aloud by City Secretary Devon Whatley. No other public comments were made.
- 4. CONSENT ITEMS:
  - A. Minutes of the Special Council Meeting on March 26, 2020.
  - B. Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting on April 16, 2020.
  - C. Minutes of the Special Council meeting on April 23, 2020.

A motion to approve the Minutes of March 26, 2020, April 16, 2020 and April 23, 2020 meetings was made by Trent Duke, with a second by Rudy Dudley. All present voted aye.

- 5. REPORTS:
  - 5-1: Judge/Court Report
  - 5-2: Police Department Report
  - 5-3: Fire Chief Report
  - 5-4: Public Works Report
  - 5-5: Economic Development Board Minutes and Financial Report
  - 5-6: Financial Reports
    - a. Water and Sewer Fund
    - b. General Fund

A motion to approve reports 5-1 through 5-6(a) and (b) was made by Trent Duke, with a second by Mona Brown. All present voted aye.

### 6. NON-ACTION ITEMS

6-1: Review and Discussion regarding approximate cost to repave streets in Lone Star.

Public Works Director Shane Townson spoke regarding the current conditions of the streets and what will be necessary to repave them. No action was taken.

### 7. ACTION ITEMS

7-1: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council to approve an Ordinance accepting a sealed bid offer for the sale of real property owned by the City of Lone Star.

A motion to accept the sealed bid from James Smith was made by Trent Duke, with a second by Mona Brown. All present voted aye.

7-2: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council to consider Resolution 2020-305, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Lone Star, Texas Declaring Surplus Property, Values of Surplus Property and Method of Disposal for seven Communication Radios, model Motorola PR400, with batteries and four chargers.

A motion to table this matter until Chief Steven Blythe can confirm whether the County owns the radios was made by Trent Duke, with a second by Mona Brown. All present voted aye.

7-3: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council to discuss water service disconnections during the continuing COVID-19 pandemic and addressing the previously established final deadline of June 10, 2020 for water customers to bring their delinquent accounts current.

A motion to extend the suspension of utility cut-offs until reconsideration at the June 18, 2020 Council meeting was made by Trent Duke, with a second by Mona Brown. All present voted ave.

7-4: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council to consider approving an expenditure of the Lone Star Economic Development Corporation for the installation of three security lights at the City Park by Bowie-Cass at a cost of \$1,000.00.

Economic Development Board Chairman Mitch Cox updated the Council on what the Board has been working on.

A motion to approve the installation of three security lights at the City Park by Bowie-Cass for a cost of \$1,000.00 and \$20.00 per light, per month, to be paid by the Economic Development Corporation was made by Trent Duke, with a second by Mona Brown.

7-5: Review, Discussion and Possible Action by the Council consider approving an expenditure of the Lone Star Economic Development Board to reimburse the Lone Star General Fund for the grinding of stumps at the City Park, totaling \$1,100.00 (\$800 for 10 stumps and \$300 for 7 stumps).

A motion to approve the reimbursement of the Lone Star General Fund for the grinding of stumps at the City park, totaling \$1,100.00 was made by Trent Duke, with a second by Lynn Cox. All present voted aye.

7-6: Review, Discussion and Possible Action by the Council to consider approving an expenditure of the Lone Star Economic Development Board for the removal of seven trees at the City Park by Glenn's Tree Service in the amount of \$1,700.00.

A motion to approve the expenditure of the Lone Star Economic Development Board for the removal of seven trees at the City Park at a cost of \$1,700.00 was made by Trent Duke, with a second by Mona Brown. All present voted aye.

7-7: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council to consider hiring Reserve Police Officer David Hood as a full-time employee. Officer Hood would be filling a vacant fourth police officer position in the department.

A motion to approve hiring David Hood as a full-time police officer at a rate of \$15.00 per hour was made by Trent Duke, with a second by Mona Brown. All present voted aye.

- **8. EXECUTIVE SESSION:** City Council to convene into executive session for the following issues:
- 8-1: To consider hiring David Hood as a full-time police officer (Tex. Gov't Code Ann. § 551.074). The council will then re-convene in open session for review, discussion, and possible action on this matter.

### 9. ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn was made by Mona Brown, with a second by Trent Duke. All present voted ave.

/s/Randy Hodges	/s/ Devon Whatley
Randy Hodges, Mayor	Devon Whatley, City Secretary