

**REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING
LONE STAR CITY COUNCIL
FIRE HALL – 201 WEST INDUSTRIAL
January 15, 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, and Mona Brown

1. CALL TO ORDER by **Mayor Karl Stoermer**
2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Invocation led by **Alderman Randy Hodges**
Pledge of Allegiance led by **Mayor Karl Stoermer**
3. CITIZENS COMMENTS: **None.**
4. CONSENT ITEMS:
 - A. Minutes of the Public Hearing on December 18, 2014;
 - B. Minutes of the Regular Meeting on December 18, 2014;

A motion was made by Martha Wexler and second by Mona Brown to accept the minutes 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 Mona Brown and second by Randy Hodges 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 by the Council to approve the Financial Audit for the Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2014 as presented by the audit firm of Arnold, Walker, Arnold, and Company, P.C.

Motion by Randy Hodges and second by Martha Wexler to approve the Financial Audit for the Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2014. ALL VOTED AYE.

6-2: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council to authorize Mayor Stoermer to sign the Letter of Engagement with Arnold, Walker, Arnold, and Company to do the Financial Audit for the Year Ending September 30, 2015.

A motion was made by Mona Brown and second by Earl Alexander to authorize Mayor Karl Stoermer to sign the Letter of Engagement with Arnold, Walker, Arnold, and Company to perform the Financial Audit for the Year Ending September 30, 2015. ALL VOTED AYE.

6-3: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council to call the City General Election on May 9, 2015 to elect a Mayor and two aldermen to fill the expiring terms of Karl Stoermer, Randy Hodges and Mona Brown.

A motion was made by Martha Wexler and second by Earl Alexander to call the City General Election on May 9, 2015 to elect a Mayor and two aldermen to fill the expiring terms of Karl Stoermer, Randy Hodges and Mona Brown. ALL VOTED AYE.

6-4: Review, Discussion and Possible Action by the Council to approve the hiring of Public Works Worker, Jonathon Nix.

A motion was made by Mona Brown and second by Randy Hodges to hire Jonathon Nix as a Public Works Worker. ALL VOTED AYE.

6-5: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council concerning an upgrade to the City's pound. City Secretary Devon Whatley and Public Works Supervisor Kenneth Harris will discuss the recent inspection by the Texas Department of State Health Services and the plans for a new pound.

A motion was made by Martha Wexler and second by Mona Brown to approve the construction of a pound, as presented, upon the approval of the Texas Department of State Health Services. ALL VOTED AYE.

6-6: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council to adopt the City of Lone Star's holiday schedule for 2015.

A motion was made by Randy Hodges and second by Mona Brown to adopt the City of Lone Star's holiday schedule for 2015. ALL VOTED AYE.

6-7: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council regarding an increase in the fee for the use of the City's sewer machine. Public Works Supervisor Kenneth Harris will review the current policy and explain the request for an increase.

The proposed ordinance was read with a change to increase the fee for the use of the City's sewer machine to \$175.00.

6-8: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council concerning Fire Chief Jerry Stoermer's request to donate old fire coats to the Cason Volunteer Fire Department.

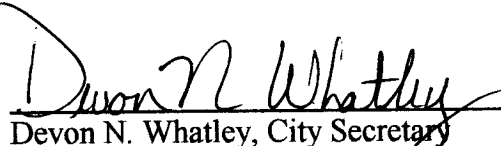
A motion was made by Martha Wexler and second by Mona brown to approve the donation of old fire coats to the Cason Volunteer Fire Department. ALL VOTED AYE.

7. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Karl Stoermer gave a report on the current status of the waste water permit renewal with TCEQ, the Byrne Street project, water system improvement project and boat ramp project. He also reported that Walmart Neighborhood market donated \$2000.00 for the City of Lone Star Police Department, Fire Department and boat ramp project via the Economic Development Board. The Mayor also reported that in addition to the projected \$10,000 cost of the new dog pound, some other unanticipated expenses have been incurred, such as \$2,500 for a pump at lift station 5 and \$1,500 for a new transmission in one of the Public Works trucks. These will be worked into our existing budget. The Mayor also reported that the Lone Star Volunteer Fire Department will be holding their Second Annual Fireman's Charity Banquet on February 14, 2015 at Lakeview Baptist Encampment.

8. ADJOURN

A motion was made by Earl Alexander 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 15th day of December, 2014 meeting.