

REGULAR MEETING
LONE STAR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD
LONE STAR FIRE STATION – 201 W. INDUSTRIAL
April 5, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

*We reserve the right to enter into Executive Session on any Agenda item pertaining to
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 Economic Development Board 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.

This meeting will be closed to in-person attendance by the public. A temporary suspension of the Open Meetings Act to allow telephone or videoconference public meetings has been granted by Governor Greg Abbott. These actions are being taken to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 by avoiding meetings that bring people into a group setting and in accordance with Section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code. Telephonic capabilities will be utilized to allow individuals to address the Board. Emails may also be submitted. **Members of the public are entitled to participate remotely via GoToMeeting Teleconferencing.** Citizens may join the GoToMeeting by logging on at <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/295165757>. They may also join by calling **+1 (646) 749-3122** and entering the Access Code: 295-165-757. Participants will be asked to **mute their phones/microphones** until invited to speak during the Public Comments part of the meeting. There will be an audio recording made of the meeting and uploaded to the City website following the conclusion of the meeting.

Members of the public who wish to submit their written comments on a listed agenda item must submit their comments by emailing citysecretary@lonestartx.net or by calling 903-656-2311 for staff assistance. Comments must be received before 3:00 p.m., Monday, April 5, 2021.

MINUTES

Present were Chairman Mitch Cox, Chairman Pro Tem Mona Brown, Board Members Karl Stoermer, Rudy Dudley, Felipe Guerrero, Leslie Dalme and Secretary/ Treasurer Tina Love.

1. CALL TO ORDER by Chairman Mitch Cox

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS - NONE

3. CONSENT ITEMS:

Minutes of Regular Meeting on March 1, 2021 and Special Meeting, March 15, 2021.

A motion to approve the minutes for March 1, 2021 and Special Meeting March 15, 2021 was made by Mona Brown, with a second by Rudy Dudley. All present voted aye.

4. REPORTS:

Financial Reports for March 2021.

A motion to approve the Financial Reports for April 5, 2021 was made by Karl Stoermer, with a second by Mona Brown. All present voted aye.

5. ACTION ITEMS:

5-1: Review, discussion and possible action regarding the establishment of an RV park in Lone Star (Trent Duke).

Trent Duke made a presentation to the EDC expressing the desire to construct an RV Park and install cabins at 513 N. Main Hwy. 259. He provided details on the estimated cost, property and structure layout, and roadway options. He has contacted the Cypress FSB in Lone Star and discussed a property loan for the land for \$50,000 at a 6% interest rate. He is asking the EDC to consider a business loan including the land purchase in hopes of receiving a better interest rate.

The presentation included the below listed estimates to purchase the land, input the RV park and build cabins:

\$45,000 - property purchase

\$18,000 – cabin cost, built from Trent’s saw mill (4 total, does not include power & sewer)

\$20,000 – RV spots built with sewer and power hookup (5 total)

\$28,000 - \$40,000 – Road project dependent upon length and dirt work required

\$30,000 – property cleanup (brush, tree removal, and dirt work)

Total property construction cost: \$195,000 to \$207,000

A motion to present this information to City Council to evaluate the possibility of construction of a recreation RV park with cabins was made by Mona Brown, with a second by Karl Stoermer. All present voted aye.

5-2: Review, discussion and possible action regarding the pavilion cover for the new basketball court at City Park (tabled from previous meetings).

Awaiting information about the grant.

A motion to table this item was made by Rudy Dudley, with a second by Mona Brown. All present voted aye.

5-3: Review, discussion and possible action regarding the drainage at City Park (written proposal or updates, tabled from previous meeting).

Awaiting information about the grant.

A motion to table this item was made by Mona Brown, with a second by Karl Stoermer. All present voted aye.

5-4: Review, discussion and possible action regarding bids for pier repair or pier replacement (tabled from previous meeting)

Awaiting information about the grant.

A motion to table this item was made by Rudy Dudley, with a second by Karl Stoermer. All present voted aye.

5-5: Review, discussion, and possible action regarding Edgemont City Park (tabled from previous meeting).

Awaiting information about the grant.

A motion to table this item was made by Rudy Dudley, with a second by Karl Stoermer. All present voted aye.

5-6: Review, discussion, and possible action regarding Park Grants (tabled from previous meeting).

Awaiting information about the grant.

A motion to table this item was made by Rudy Dudley, with a second by Karl Stoermer. All present voted aye.

5-7: Review, discussion, and possible action regarding Christmas lights/decorations and evaluate if additional decorations are needed (tabled from previous meeting).

The need to evaluate existing Christmas decorations and determine if new decorations are needed was discussed. A suggestion to purchase a topper for the Christmas was discussed. .

A motion to evaluate existing Christmas decorations and the purchase of a tree topper was made by Rudy Dudley, with a second by Mona Brown. All present voted aye.

5-8: Review, discussion, and possible action regarding street signs and house numbers (tabled from previous meeting).

Mitch Cox contacted two companies about street signs and has requested samples from each. Several areas are missing street signs, and the City may need to help identify those areas and determine how many signs are necessary. The installation of reflective house numbers identifying the 911 addresses for each home was discussed. Mitch would like to present to Council the need to replace street signs and install reflective house numbers on each home.

A motion for Mitch to approach the City Council about the street signs and the 911 house numbers was made by Rudy Dudley, with a second by Mona Brown. All present voted aye.

5-9: Review, discussion, and possible action for new projects such as walking paths, bicycle paths, trails, etc.

Interest was expressed in having sidewalks placed on the roadside of Hwy. 259. The cost and state requirements are unknown. The TX DOT District Engineer needs to be contacted for assistance on how to proceed.

A motion to contact the TX DOT District Engineer was made by Rudy Dudley, with a second by Mona Brown. All present voted aye.

5-10: Review, discussion, and possible action for demo of big baseball field.

The outfield pipe is removed and disposed. Three businesses were contacted about taking the light poles down. Two of the three businesses suggested cutting the poles at ground level and covering with dirt. Leslie Dalme offered to contact Bowie Cass about removing the transformers and removing lights.

A motion for Leslie Dalme to contact Bowie Cass about removing lights and transformers was made by Mona Brown, with a second by Rudy Dudley. All present voted aye.

5-11: Review, discussion, and possible action for the flagpole located at City Park.

A citizen contacted City Hall and the EDC Chairman about the flag and flagpole located at the City Park. The weather tattered flag had been removed but not replaced. Previous discussions were to remove or relocate the flagpole. The citizen asked if he could purchase a flag and the flagpole remain at the same location.

A motion to allow the citizen to purchase a flag and leave the flagpole at current location was made by Mona Brown, with a second by Rudy Dudley. All present voted aye.

5-12: Review, discussion, and possible action for the boat launch at City Park.

A citizen complaint was received about the boat launch being too short to unload a boat. The boat launch length was evaluated and determined as an adequate length for standard size boats and barges.

No action taken.

5-13: Review, discussion, and possible action for business funding ideas.

Rudy Dudley provided a copy of an EDC newsletter and presented information about a potential EDC website entailing various EDC functions and business grant ideas. The committee reviewed and discussed the documentation provided.

No action taken.

5-14: Review, discussion and possible action for renovation of the Fire Department meeting room.

The Police Department and Volunteer Fire Department have donated funds towards the construction renovations of the Fire Department meeting room in which most City meetings occur. The EDC was approached about considering donating towards additional renovations. Additional research is required to determine if the EDC can donate towards the renovation. No Action taken.

5-15: Review, discussion and possible action to consider installation of a storm siren.

The need for a storm siren system in Lone Star was discussed. Rudy has researched items in which the EDC can purchase and will research further to see if a storm siren can be considered purchased with EDC funds.

A motion for Rudy to research and contact someone about a storm siren system was made by Mona Brown, with a second by Karl Stoermer. All present voted aye.

5-16: Review, discussion and possible action to consider resignation of EDC council member Ginger Smith.

A motion to accept the resignation of council member Ginger Smith was made by Mona Brown, with a second by Karl Stoermer. All present voted aye.

6. ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mona Brown, with a second by Rudy Dudley. All present voted aye.

 /s/ Mitch Cox

Mitch Cox, Chairman

 /s/Tina Love

Tina Love, Secretary/Treasurer