

REGULAR MEETING
LONE STAR CITY COUNCIL
FIRE HALL – 201 WEST INDUSTRIAL
April 19, 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 Randy Hodges, Mayor Pro Tem Jerri Chism, Aldermen Keith Reiter, Lynn Cox and Mona Brown (present at Item 3) and City Secretary Devon Whatley. Absent was Alderman Ryan Harte.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER by Mayor Randy Hodges.**
- 2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
Invocation led by Alderman Keith Reiter.
Pledge of Allegiance recited in unison.

3. CITIZEN COMMENTS: None

- 4. CONSENT ITEMS:**
 - A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting on March 15, 2018

A motion was made by Jerri Chism and second by Mona Brown to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on March 15, 2018. All present voted aye.

- 5. REPORTS:**
 - 5-1: Judge/Court Report
 - 5-2: Police Department Report
 - 5-3: Fire Chief Report
 - 5-4: Fire Marshall Report
 - 5-5: Public Works Report
 - 5-6: NETWD Director's Report
 - 5-7: Economic Development Corporation Minutes and Financial Report
 - 5-8: Financial Reports for December 2017 and January 2018
 - a. Water and Sewer Fund
 - b. General Fund

A motion was made by Mona Brown and second by Keith Reiter to approve Reports 5-1 through 5-8(a) and (b). All present voted aye.

6. NON-ACTION ITEMS

6-1: Review and discussion regarding a presentation by Police Lieutenant Steven Blythe regarding the SWAT training the police department will be attending.

Police Lieutenant Steven Blythe advised the Council that the Lone Star Police Department was invited by Titus County SWAT to attend their SWAT school April 23 through 27. This training will include 60 TCOLE hours and result in certification in non-lethal weapons. Every day will consist of physical fitness training. Training will also involve exposure to a gas chamber and a requirement to shoot 85% proficiency. Lieutenant Blythe feels the most important part of this training will be learning de-escalation techniques. Lieutenant Blythe and Sergeant Gutierrez did research and the same training offered by Texas A&M costs \$1,000.00 per person, excluding travel and gear. The only cost associated with the Titus County training is the cost of ammunition, which totaled \$643.00. Lieutenant Blythe feels this training will benefit each officer now and in the future.

7. ACTION ITEMS

7-1: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council to consider Resolution 2018-284 Resolution In Support of Application for NIBRS Grant. Police Sergeant Brett Gutierrez will speak on this grant through the Office of the Governor.

Sergeant Gutierrez advised the Council that the Federal Government is now requiring that all police agencies be NIBRS compliant by 2021. This \$13,000.00 grant will make our agency compliant, at no cost to us.

A motion was made by Jerri Chism and second by Mona Brown to approve Resolution 2018-284, Resolution In Support of Application for NIBRS Grant. All present voted aye.

7-2: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to consider Ordinance 283, An Ordinance of the City Council Establishing a Procedure for Sale of City Owned Property; and Providing an Effective Date. This Ordinance describes the properties to be sold and the procedure for selling them.

City Secretary Devon Whatley described the process for the sale of the lots in the Edgemont Subdivision by sealed bid. Following the adoption of the Ordinance, a Notice of Sealed Bid will be published twice in The Bee. Bid opening will take place on June 4, 2018, at which time the high bidder for each lot will be announced. Each high bidder will be presented to the Council at the June 21, 2018 meeting. The Council will vote at that time to accept or reject the bid(s).

A motion was made by Jerri Chism and second by Mona Brown to approve Ordinance 283, An Ordinance of the City Council Establishing a Procedure for Sale of City Owned Property; and Providing an Effective Date. All present voted aye.

7-3: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to consider Water and Waste System Grant Agreement with the US Department of Agriculture. This Agreement is part of the process to begin the Water and Wastewater System Improvement project through a grant/loan from the USDA.

City Secretary Devon Whatley explained that this Grant Agreement states that the City of Lone Star will comply with the requirements of the USDA pertaining to the grant in the amount of \$563,000.00.

A motion was made by Mona Brown and second by Jerri Chism to approve the Water and Waste System Grant Agreement with the US Department of Agriculture. All present voted aye.

7-4: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to consider a Duty Wrecker Contract between the City of Lone Star and Cobb's Body Shop and Wrecker Service and Windell's Body Shop and Wrecker Service.

Lieutenant Steven Blythe spoke to the Council and advised that the Police Department had been using Cobb's Body Shop and Wrecker Service and Windell's Body Shop and Wrecker Service since February 2018. They were happy with the service and were asking for approval to contract with them.

A motion was made by Mona Brown and second by Jerri Chism to approve the contract with Cobb's Body Shop and Wrecker Service and Windell's Body Shop and Wrecker Service.

7-5: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to consider awarding the bid for the City Park Boat Ramp Reconstruction to HASBEC d/b/a Hartbeat Construction of Tyler, Texas. A representative from KSA Engineers will be present to answer any questions.

This item was considered first. Jeremy Orr, Engineer with KSA spoke and advised the Council that Hartbeat Construction provided the lowest bid on the boat ramp project.

A motion was made by Jerri Chism and second by Lynn Cox to award the bid for the City Park Boat Ramp Reconstruction to HASBEC d/b/a Hartbeat Construction of Tyler, Texas. All present voted aye.

7-6: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action to consider amending Section IV of Ordinance 241-C to allow burning in ditches, excluding concrete ditches.

A motion was made by Keith Reiter and second by Jerri Chism to approve the revision of Ordinance 241-C to allow burning in ditches, excluding concrete ditches. All present voted aye.

8. ADJOURN

A motion was made by Jerri Chism and second by Mona Brown to adjourn. All present voted aye.

/s/Randy Hodges
Randy Hodges, Mayor

/s/ Devon Whatley
Devon Whatley, City Secretary