

REGULAR MEETING
LONE STAR CITY COUNCIL
FIRE HALL – 201 WEST INDUSTRIAL
December 20, 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 551.071-551.078, 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 Randy Hodges, Mayor Pro Tem Jerri Chism, Aldermen Keith Reiter, Lynn Cox, Trent Duke and Mona Brown and City Secretary Devon Whatley.

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 November 15, 2018.
- B. Minutes of Public Hearing on November 15, 2018.
- C. Minutes of Special Meeting on November 26, 2018.

A motion to approve Consent Items 4 A-C was made by Mona Brown, with a second by Jerri Chism. 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: NETWD Director's Report
- 5-6: Financial Reports – October and November 2018
 - a. Water and Sewer Fund
 - b. General Fund

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

6. NON-ACTION ITEMS

6-1: Economic Development Board Chairman Mitch Cox will update the Council on projects at the City Park, grants and the Morris County Collaborative.

Mitch Cox spoke and provided information on a storm siren system. This information will be discussed at the January City Council meeting. Mr. Cox further advised the Council that the playground equipment company is preparing a proposal for a four phase renovation to the City Park. This information will be presented to the EDC, then to the Council for consideration. The company also advised that they would write a grant for improvements to the park.

Mr. Cox spoke regarding the Morris County Collaborative, for which he is a Director. He provided a history of the Collaborative and a brief explanation of their purpose.

Ark-Tex Council of Governments advised Mr. Cox that the City could get a fire pumper quickly, if we turn in our request in. The money is almost guaranteed.

7. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

7-1: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council to consider the proposal of ETex Communications for providing internet service to City offices.

Brittany Murray of ETex Communications was present and spoke. A motion to approve the five year agreement with ETex Communications for internet service was made by Trent Duke, with a second by Keith Reiter. All present voted aye.

7-2: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council to consider the proposals of Sanitation Solutions and Ameri-Tex Services to provide solid waste collection services for the City of Lone Star.

Woodie Brantley with Sanitation Solutions and Clayton Vickers with Ameri-Tex Services were present and spoke. A motion to continue services with Sanitation Solutions was made by Jerri Chism, with a second by Mona Brown. Voting aye were Trent Duke, Mona Brown, Lynn Cox and Jerri Chism. Abstaining was Keith Reiter. The motion passed.

7-3: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council regarding how to proceed with the USDA Grant/Loan, following the submission of no contracting bids within the established construction budget.

Chris Aylor and Jeremy Orr with KSA Engineering Services were present. Per a request from USDA, KSA drafted an updated construction budget. The original budget was drafted over four years ago. The updated budget reflects an increase in costs for this project. A motion was made to request an additional \$530,000.00 from USDA by Trent Duke, with a second by Jerri Chism. Voting aye were Jerri Chism, Trent Duke, Mona Brown and Lynn Cox. Voting nay was Keith Reiter. The motion passed.

7-4: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council to consider Resolution 2018-290, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Lone Star, Texas, Authorizing the Submission of a Texas Community Development Block Grant Program Application to the Texas Department of Agriculture for the 2019-2020 Community Development Block Grant Fund; and Authorizing the Mayor to Act as the City's Executive Officer and Authorized Representative In All Matters Pertaining To the City's Participation in the Texas Community Development Block Grant Program.

Kathy Boyles from Grant Works was present. A motion to approve the Resolution was made by Lynn Cox, with a second by Jerri Chism. All present voted aye.

7-5: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council to consider allowing the closing of City Hall for one day, while new flooring is installed.

A motion to approve the closing of City Hall while flooring is being installed was made by Mona Brown, with a second by Jerri Chism. All present voted aye.

8. ADJOURN

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

Randy Hodges, Mayor

Devon Whatley, City Secretary