



**Lavon City Council Workshop and
Regular Meeting Minutes
August 18, 2015**

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:10 P.M. BY MAYOR TESKE

Members Present: Mayor Chuck Teske
Council Member Place 1, Simon Abela
Council Member Place 2, Jorge Calderon, Mayor Pro-Tem
Council Member Place 3, Melissa Stroop
Council Member Place 4, Matt Childers
Council Member Place 5, Mindi Serkland (arrived at 6:30pm)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: City Secretary Chris Wess
Police Chief Mike Jones
Public Works Director Terry McCalpin
Police Lieutenant Roger Myers
Court Clerk Sue Johnson
Police Officer Thomas Aaron
Police Officer Bryce Hubbard
Reserve Officer Maria Peralta

Legal Representative: Mack Rienwand (arrived at 6:36pm)

Commission and Board Members: Planning and Zoning Commissioner Vicki Sanson
Parks and Recreation Board Member Mike Gulino

Visitors: 5

There was a quorum present.

II. MAYOR TESKE OPENED THE BUDGET WORKSHOP AT 6:12 P.M.

III. MAYOR TESKE CLOSED THE BUDGET WORKSHOP AT 6:58 P.M.

IV. MAYOR TESKE OPENED THE REGULAR MEETING AT 7:15 P.M.

V. MAYOR TESKE LED THE COUNCIL AND VISITORS IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.



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VI. INVOCATION

Mayor Teske gave the invocation.

VII. CITIZENS COMMENTS

Joshua Murray asked for weak mayor form of government, he was informed that the issue could not be discussed, because he had already addressed this issue in an email to the Council Members. Mr. Murray also asked why he has not been put on the agenda, if he has a sponsor for his item. He stated that he thought the City Secretary, Chris Wess, should resign or be put on administrative leave.

VIII. ITEMS OF INTEREST/CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Chief Jones introduced Explorer Post 740. Council Member Stroop reminded the audience that there will be a Capture the Flag/Water Balloon Wars Back to School Bash on Saturday, August 22, 2015.

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes of the June 16, 2015 Meeting.* (Davis)
- B. Minutes of the June 23, 2015 Meeting.* (Davis)
- C. Minutes of the July 7, 2015 Meeting.* (Davis)
- D. Minutes of the July 13, 2015 Meeting.* (Davis)
- E. Heritage Public Improvement District #1 Assessment Report Summary dated 7/31/15.* (Wess)
- F. Memorandum of Understanding between Community ISD and the City of Lavon for the School Resource Officer service.* (Jones)
- G. Interlocal Cooperation Contract with the Texas State University and the City of Lavon for Tobacco Law Enforcement Grant Program (renewal).* (Jones)

Motion: Council Member Stroop made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda in its entirety.

Second: Council Member Childers

In Favor: Mayor Pro-Tem Calderon, Council Members Abela, Stroop, Childers and Serkland

Opposed: None

Abstained: None

Motion: Carries

X. PUBLIC RECOGNITION

Mayor Teske and Council Members recognized Officer Bryce Hubbard, Fire Chief Jon Scott, Captain Peter Hacking, Firefighters Joe Wetzell, Thad Anderson, and Jason Kidd for going above and beyond the call of duty in saving the life of one of our citizens. Mayor Teske read a letter from the citizen and presented Certificates of Appreciation.



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XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

In accordance with Texas Government Code, Section 551.001, et seq., the City Council will recess into Executive Session (closed meeting) pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, to discuss the following, in accordance with the authority contained in:

Section 551.071 – attorney client communication regarding weak mayor form of government.

Mayor Teske read the letter from the Attorney that states that executive session is legal.

COUNCIL RECESSED AT 7:37 P.M.

XII. RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION

In accordance with Texas Government Code, Section 551.001, et seq., the City Council will reconvene into Regular Session to take any action necessary regarding the following:

Section 551.071 – attorney client communication regarding weak mayor form of government.

COUNCIL RECONVENED INTO REGULAR SESSION AT 8:22 P.M.

Attorney Mack Rienwand discussed the type of government that Lavon is under. He stated that the City chose to have a weak mayor form of government 4 years ago.

Motion: Council Member Stroop made a motion to approve the attorney to provide documentation on what type of government we have.

Second: Council Member Serkland

In Favor: Mayor Pro-Tem Calderon, Council Members Stroop, Childers and Serkland

Opposed: None

Abstained: None

Motion: Carries

XIII. STAFF REPORTS

City Secretary Chris Wess discussed the July Financial Outlook Report and the Receivables Report. She also gave the Council an update of the e-billing status. She explained that the form to sign up for the e-billing service will be available in the office, as well as on the City website. City Secretary Wess also mentioned that there is a new restaurant inside the Shell station. She informed the Council that she would find out if they need a permit or not.

Chief Jones discussed the increase in commercial vehicle traffic that is coming through Lavon. He said that he has already seen 2 commercial vehicle accidents this month. Council Member Abela asked if the traffic light at SH 78 and SH 205 could be



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controlled manually for traffic. He was told that it could not be controlled manually. Chief Jones reminded the Council that school will be starting next week and asked that everybody be careful and to look out for children and buses.

Public Works Director Terry McCalpin explained that his department has almost stopped mowing all together due to the weather and lack of rain. He informed the Council that they have started picking trash carts from delinquent addresses by following CWD trash truck on pick up days. He stated that the tractor needed repairs, but it has been taken care of. He told the Council that his department has completed the tree trimming at Eagle Pond, road repairs, and the cross walks signs on President's Blvd. He also discussed maintenance at City Hall, which included AC repairs in City Secretary's office, fixed a water leak in City Hall, and replaced the flagpole light.

XIV. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION

- A.** City Council to consider and act on the use of the City Engineer for studying how to improve the drainage issues along Main St., Lake Rd. and Wolf Run. (Stroop)
Council Member Stroop read the estimate from the engineer. Survey estimate was \$3,000.00 and the design was \$9,000.00. She asked that the City seek alternatives and suggested contacting UT Dallas.

ITEM TABLED

- B.** City Council to consider and act on installing 4-way stop signs at the intersection of San Jacinto and Crockett and a 3-way stop sign at Lincoln and Eisenhower.
(Teske/Jones)

Motion: Council Member Stroop made a motion to have Public Works and the Police Department work together on installing a 4-way stop sign at the intersection of San Jacinto and Crockett and a 3-way stop sign at intersection of Lincoln and Eisenhower.

Second: Council Member Abela

In Favor: Mayor Pro-Tem Calderon, Council Members Abela, Stroop, Childers and Serkland

Opposed: None

Abstained: None

Motion: Carries

- C.** City Council to consider and act on the proposed contract with Lee Roberts for inspection services for the years from October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2018. (Teske)

Mayor Teske explained the current contract. Council Member Childers stated that he felt we should shop around and compare years of experience vs. cost. Council



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Member Serkland stated that she would like to see a true contract.

ITEM TABLED

- D. City Council to consider and act on setting the proposed tax rate for fiscal year 2015-2016. (Teske)**

Mayor Teske explained the roll back rate and what taxes are used for.

Motion: Council Member Stroop made a motion to maintain the same tax rate as this year.

Second: Council Member Serkland

In Favor: Mayor Pro-Tem Calderon, Council Members Abela, Stroop, Childers and Serkland

Opposed: None

Abstained: None

Motion: Carries

XV. DISCUSSION

- A. City Council to discuss having the City Engineer doing a study bringing sewer services to Wolf Run, Main St. and the 2 Churches and whether a lift station is needed. (Teske)**

Estimated cost for the survey would be \$4,000.00, \$16,500.00 for the design plan, and \$9,500.00 for the lift station. Council Member Childers stated that he still feels like we need to go to UTD for an estimate.

- B. City Council to discuss the City's future contractors. (Abela)**

Council Member Abela explained that he thinks that all Council Members should be involved in discussions on who the contractor is. Council Member Serkland asked if he wanted a formal statement of work. Citizen Josh Murray wanted it put on record that they (all Council Members) are nodding their heads in agreement with Council Member Abela.

- C. City Council to discuss the comp time report. (Stroop)**

Council Member Stroop stated that everybody has done a great job with keeping comp time manageable.

XVI. CITY COUNCIL TO SET FUTURE MEETINGS AND AGENDAS

Council Member Serkland would like to discuss the cost of modifications to our website, and how much money the City has spent on SAP Municap. Council Member Stroop would like a report on who has city credit cards and the statement for each card. Council Member Abela would like to get a stipend to reimburse expenses, he would like to discuss the TIF agreement. Council Member Childers would like to discuss preventative services on the City Hall building, consider and act on changing



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the liaison to the City Secretary from the mayor to a council member, and consider and act on changing the EDC liaison.

XVII. PRESIDING OFFICER TO ADJOURN THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Teske adjourned the meeting at 9:26 p.m.

Duly passed and approved on this 3rd day of November, 2015.



Mayor Chuck Teske

Attest:



Kelly Davis, Interim Acting City Secretary