

# **CITY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING**

## **REGULAR MEETING**

**May 13, 2019**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Jose G. Solis called meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., on May 13, 2019, in the Lyford City Hall meeting room.

### **ATTENDANCE**

The following members were present:

Mayor	Jose G. Solis
Mayor Pro-tem	Tony Chavez
Commissioner	Rick Salinas
Commissioner	Albert Cavazos
Commissioner	Maggie Quilantan
Commissioner	Avelardo Mireles

### **STAFF PRESENT**

Lydia Moreno	Benito Estrada
Andres Maldonado	Joe Cabrera
Gerald Cantu	

### **AUDIENCE**

Juan Lugo	Ben Vera
Judy Langford	Paula Rodriguez
Raul Flores	Daniel Lucio
Dora Hernandez	Estela Molina
Gilbert Garcia	Dagoberto Balboa
Alma Barron	Daniel Garza
Donna Hoot	Dennis Hoot
Allen Essex	

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Commissioner Salinas made the motion to approve the Agenda for the Regular Meeting on May 13, 2019. Commissioner Quilantan seconded. All approved and Motion carried.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Salinas made the motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on April 8, 2019; and Special Meeting on April 22, 2019. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.

**PUBLIC  
AUDIENCE**

Alma Barron, Daniel Garza, Dagoberto Balboa: water situation.  
Tony Chavez: appreciation to Commissioner Pablo Morales for his 10 years of service as a volunteer commissioner.

**VISITORS:**

1. Cross Church: Commissioner Salinas made the motion to refund the (1) hour paid for the pavilion use plus their deposit. Commissioner Chavez seconded. All approved and motion carried.
2. Dora Hernandez and Estela Molina: Commissioner Salinas made the motion to approve for the city to go ahead and allow the public works supervisor to perform labor of fencing at the Guadalupe Cemetery with the materials provided by Mariano Molina. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.
3. Commissioner Chavez made the motion to approve Proclamation to proclaim May as "Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month" in Lyford. Commissioner Quilantan seconded. All approved and motion carried.

**GENERAL  
FUNCTION**

4. Commissioner Salinas made the motion to approve to procure administration and engineering services for a Hazard Mitigation grant application for a pump and drainage project. City to call the Texas Department of Agriculture about the TxCDBG Disaster Relief grant application. Commissioner Chavez seconded. All approved and motion carried.
5. Commissioner Cavazos made the motion to approve Robinson, Duffy & Barnard as appraisal service company for the General Land Office Contract #18-407-000-B116 and #18-409-000-B118. Commissioner Quilantan seconded. All approved and motion carried.
6. Commissioner Salinas made the motion to approve the final invoice #2 for Oleander Street paving in the amount of \$96,596.25 to R&R Paving. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.
7. Commissioner Chavez made the motion to approve Resolution suspending the June 5, 2019 effective date of AEP Texas Inc.'s requested rate change to permit the city time to study the request and to establish reasonable rates; approving cooperation with the cities served by AEP Texas and authorizing the intervention in AEP Texas Inc.'s requested rate change proceedings before the commission;

hiring Lloyd Gosselink Attorneys and consulting services to negotiate with the company and direct any necessary litigation and appeals; requiring reimbursement of cities' rate case expenses; finding that the meeting at which this Resolution is passed is open to the public as required by law. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.

- 8.** Commissioner Cavazos made the motion to table to amend the Eight Liner Ordinance No. 09-08-24. Commissioner Quilantan seconded. All approved and motion carried. **Commissioner Chavez to bring back a draft of amendment of ordinance.**
- 9.** Commissioner Salinas made the motion to hold an emergency preparedness workshop with all department heads next week; city to hold a Community Awareness public meeting as scheduled by John Ovalle. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.
- 10.** Commissioner Chavez made the motion to table the policy for the baseball and softball field use agreement. City to get a quote on the purchase of portables. Commissioner Quilantan seconded. All approved and motion carried.
- 11.** Commissioner Cavazos made the motion to approve a clean-up committee of the Lyford City park(s) by the community. Commissioner Chavez to schedule clean up with the free roll off weekend each month. Commissioner Salinas seconded. All approved and motion carried.
- 12.** Keep Lyford Beautiful Campaign: all departments to share in this campaign; public works to report weedy lots and abandoned vehicles; office to send out 10-day notices; police department to issue citations; and municipal court to issue fine. A joint effort by all departments.
- 13.** Code Enforcement Officer: public works can issue summons; officers can issue the complaint to the court.
- 14.** Commissioner Salinas made the motion for the city secretary's office to handle any water leak adjustments to the sewer charge; and payment plans; staff to report monthly as part of the utility billing adjustments. Commissioner Chavez seconded. All approved and motion carried.

15. Commissioner Chavez made the motion to remove the doubtful accounts as listed and presented in the Accounts Receivable listing through September 30, 2018. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.
16. Commissioner Chavez made the motion to approve the utility billing adjustments through 4/30/2019. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.
17. Commissioner Chavez made the motion to approve the monthly bills and any grant payment request. Commissioner Quilantan seconded. All approved and motion carried.

## **MONTHLY REPORTS**

18. Lyford Municipal Court monthly activity report submitted.
19. Lyford Police Department monthly activity report presented.
20. Lyford Volunteer Fire Department monthly activity report presented.
21. Public Works Supervisor monthly activity report presented.
22. Secretary's monthly financial reports presented.

**Commissioner Chavez made the motion to move item #24 up. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.**

23. Commissioner Cavazos made the motion to call an Emergency Meeting as soon as city can get quotes from the 5125 Company on the repair to the LCISD Lift Station #2. Commissioner Chavez seconded. All approved and motion carried.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

Closed Session from 10:35 pm to 11:42 pm

**(Mayor Solis, city secretary Lydia Moreno, and assistant city secretary Benito Estrada were asked to leave the room as the City Commission addressed Chief Andres Maldonado).**

24. Commissioner Salinas announced that the commission had revisited Chief Maldonado's job description and all was in order.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Salinas made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Chavez seconded. All approved and meeting adjourned at 11:45 p.m.

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**City Secretary**

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**Mayor Jose G. Solis**