

# **CITY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING**

## **REGULAR MEETING**

**JANUARY 10, 2022**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Salinas called meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., on January 10, 2022, in the Lyford City Hall meeting room; public called in thru Zoom.

### **ATTENDANCE**

The following members were present:

Mayor	Rick Salinas
Mayor Pro-tem	Pablo Morales
Commissioner	Tony Chavez
Commissioner	Albert Cavazos
Commissioner	Avelardo Mireles
Commissioner	Maria Luisa Gonzalez

### **STAFF PRESENT**

Benito Estrada	Lupita Hernandez
Armin Martinez (Zoom)	Ben Vera (Zoom)

### **AUDIENCE**

Allen Essex	Richard Hoffman (Zoom)
Carol Smith (Zoom)	Gilbert Sada
Eddie Sada	

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Morales made the motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on December 13, 2021; and Special Meeting on December 27, 2021. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Commissioner Cavazos made the motion to approve the Agenda for the Regular Meeting on January 10, 2022. Commissioner Gonzalez seconded. All approved and motion carried.

### **VISITORS**

1. Glen Berg Ray: Commissioner Chavez pointed out that items 1 and 2 were not in the General Function section of the Agenda. Items will be presented at the next special meeting. Mr. Berg was requesting a water bill payment plan.
2. Gilbert Sada: Mr. Sada was present to request six months to build a game room. Item moved to next special meeting.

3. Carol Smith presented a status of the different partnerships she has to help with the adoptions throughout the States. She will keep us informed of a partner that can help upgrade our animal shelter.

## **MONTHLY REPORTS**

1. Mayor Salinas presented his monthly activity report.
2. Lyford Municipal Court monthly activity report was submitted.
3. Lyford Police Department monthly activity report was submitted.
4. Lyford Fire Department monthly activity report was submitted.
5. Public Works Supervisor monthly activity report was submitted.
6. Secretary's monthly financial reports were submitted.

## **GENERAL FUNCTION**

7. Commissioner Gonzalez made the motion to waive the fee for the vendors for Market Days for now till a later date. Commissioner Mireles seconded. All approved and motion carried.

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8. Commissioner Gonzalez made the motion to approve the premise license for the game rooms. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.
9. Commissioner Gonzalez made the motion for Chief Martinez attend the New Chief Development program in Huntsville on March 7-11, 2022. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.
10. Commissioner Gonzales made the motion to approve for Chief Martinez to attend the Texas Leadership Series in Nacogdoches on March 21-25, 2022. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.
11. Commissioner Gonzalez moved to change the sick leave policy from 10 days to 12 days sick leave to all new hires and existing employees. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.
12. Commissioner Cavazos made the motion to approve the City of Lyford Policy and Procedures for the year 2021-2022. Commissioner Chavez seconded. All approved and motion carried.

13. Commissioner Mireles made the motion to Approve the Order of Election and to rectify the staggered terms on the 2022 election. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. Approved by Commissioner Mireles, Cavazos, and Gonzalez. Commissioner Chavez and Morales opposed. The majority voted yes and motion carried.
14. Commissioner Cavazos moved to appoint Commissioner Gonzalez for the Commissioner Vacancy. Commissioner Mireles seconded. Commissioner Mireles and Commissioner Cavazos voted yes. Commissioner Chavez and Morales opposed. Commissioner Gonzalez abstained. Mayor Salinas broke the tie vote and voted yes. Majority approved motion carried.
15. Commissioner Chavez moved to table the approval of the Budget Amendments to Special Meeting on January 24, 2022. Commissioner Mireles seconded. All approved and motion carried.  
  
**14.** Commissioner Cavazos made the motion to rescind item 14. Commissioner Mireles seconded. All approved motion carried. Commissioner Cavazos made the motion to rectify the Election Terms for Commissioner Cavazos, Chavez and Morales running for 2 year term. Commissioner Gonzalez running for a one year term ending on May 2023. Contingent to further legal explanation. Commissioner Mireles seconded. All approved and motion carried
16. Commissioner Gonzalez moved to approve the Utility billing adjustments thru the month of December 2021. Commissioner Mireles seconded. All approved motion carried.
17. Commissioner Chavez made the motion to approve the monthly bills and any grant payments. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

Closed Session from 8:28 pm to 8:38 pm

18. Commissioner Cavazos made the motion to approve a contract for Services between The City of Lyford and Ms. Lydia Moreno at a rate of \$22.00/hr. Commissioner Chavez seconded. All approved and motion carried.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Morales made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

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**City Secretary**

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**Mayor Rick Salinas**