

Regular Meeting
Ladonia City Council
Tuesday, October 11, 2022
7:00 p.m. at Ladonia City Hall

MINUTES

- I. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm and a quorum was established.
- II. Roll Call/Members present: Russell Duckworth, Deborah Barkheimer, Discha Threlkeld, Greg Morris
Shakemala Aubrey-Absent
- III. The invocation was given by Todd Akers and the pledges recited by all present.
- IV. Citizens Comments
Steve Taylor-Update on Highpoint Treehouse, last 18 months they have had 90% occupancy. Economic benefit is an increase in tax revenue for the City. Visitors from 21 different states with a 100% safety record and they are the #1 treehouse in Texas. They have a box for guests to leave a donation for the LVFD and as the owners match those donations. LVFD was awarded a check for \$1500.00 with the check given to Chief Kyle Stark.
Robert Carter-Neighbor has not had water in 2 years. He is letting them use his water but he feels the City should do something so they can have water at their property.
Jo Dahlin-When will the budget minutes be posted on the City website? She was advised they would be posted once they were approved and signed.
- V. Consent Agenda
 - A. Motion was made by Russell Duckworth and seconded by Discha Threlkeld to approve the minutes of September, 2022 meetings. **VOTE 4-0**
 - B. Motion was made by Russell Duckworth and seconded by Greg Morris to approve the Financial Report for September, 2022. **VOTE 4-0**
 - C. Motion was made by Russell Duckworth and seconded by Deborah Barkheimer to approve accounts payable for October, 2022. **VOTE 4-0**
- VI. Information Reports
 - A. Utility/Public Works Department report not given.
 - B. Volunteer Fire Department report was given by Russell Duckworth
 1. Total number of calls – 5/medical 4; grass fire 1; accident 0; mutual aid 0
 2. Volunteer hours for September 2022 13.33
 3. Water usage: 0 gallonsIn the month of September we had our business meeting on the first Tuesday followed by two nights of training on the following Tuesday nights. The annual Chuckwagon Breakfast went great, a big thank you to everyone who came out and supported us. Ladonia VFD does not have any fundraisers planned for the month of October.
 - C. Administration Department report was given by Patricia Harrod.
 1. Fossil Day October 15, 2022
 2. Trunk or Treat October 31, 2022 @ 5:30 PM on the Square
 3. Feeding Fannin October 18 & November 1
 4. Veteran’s Day November 11-Office Closed
 - D. Police Department report not given

VII. Old Business

- A. Discuss, consider, action/Taylor St Repair
Motion was made by Greg Morris and seconded by Debbie Barkheimer to table until next regular meeting when UATRWD will be in attendance **VOTE 4-0**
- B. Discuss, consider, action/RVS Software Integration for e-bills & autopay
Motion was made by Russell Duckworth and seconded by Discha Threlkeld to approve RVS Nextbill **VOTE 4-0**
- C. Discuss, consider, action/Renewal of Republic Sanitation Contract
Motion was made by Greg Morris and seconded by Russell Duckworth to accept Republic Sanitation contract **VOTE 4-0**
- D. Discuss, consider, action/International Residence Code Ordinance
Motion was made by Russell Duckworth and seconded by Greg Morris to table International Residence Code until a potential replacement is identified **VOTE 4-0**
- E. Discuss, consider, action/International Building Code Ordinance
Motion was made by Russell Duckworth and seconded by Greg Morris to table International Building Code Ordinance until a potential replacement is identified **VOTE 4-0**
- F. Discuss, consider, action /Mill St & Richard St road repair
Motion was made by Russell Duckworth and seconded by Greg Morris to table until more information received **VOTE 4-0**
- G. Discuss, consider, action/Resolution 2022-10-17 adopting Fannin County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan
Motion made by Russell Duckworth and seconded by Discha Threlkeld to approve Resolution 2022-10-17 adopting Fannin County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan **VOTE 4-0**

VIII. New Business

- A. Discuss, consider, action/Ordinance 2022-10-11 Appointing David Hamilton as City Attorney
Motion made by Russell Duckworth and seconded by Greg Morris to approve Ordinance 2022-10-11 appointing David Hamilton as City Attorney **VOTE 4-0**
- B. Discuss, consider, action/Allow Chet Simmons to lease old city barn to park truck
Motion made by Russell Duckworth and seconded by Greg Morris to allow Chet Simmons to lease the old city barn to park truck **VOTE 4-0**
- C. Discuss, consider, action/Move Regular City Council Meeting
Motion made by Greg Morris and seconded by Discha Threlkeld to move regular meeting to the Third Monday of the Month **VOTE 4-0**

IX. The Council convened in Executive Session at 8:14 pm as authorized by Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Open Meetings

X. The Council reconvened in Open Session at 9:38 pm to take action (if any) on items discussed in executive session.

- A. Texas Government Code 551.074 (deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, resignation, duties, discipline, or dismissal of public officer or employee)
Motion made by Russell Duckworth and seconded by Greg Morris to extend offers to Debbie Rowell for part-time office assistant and Paul Moody as part-time water assistant.

XI. Motion was made by Russell Duckworth and seconded by Greg Morris to adjourn at 9:39 pm.
VOTE 4-0


Dana Burkett, City Secretary


Patricia Harrod, Mayor