

Regular Meeting
Ladonia City Council
Monday, August 12, 2019
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/ Todd Akers, Discha Threlkeld, Patricia Harrod, Debra Scoggins, Dana Burkett
- III. The invocation was given by Todd Akers and the pledges were recited by all present.
- IV. Citizens Comments- *(State law prohibits the City Council from considering or deliberating on items not listed on the posted City Council Agenda. A person may address the Council on items not on the printed agenda. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes. The council may not comment of deliberate regarding such statements or comments during this period. Any discussion of the subjects must be limited to a proposal to place the subject on the agenda for a future meeting. Sec. 551.042 Open Meetings Act.)*
There were no citizen comments.
- V. Consent Agenda
 - A. Minutes of July, 2019 meeting
Motion was made by Patricia Harrod and seconded by Debra Scoggins to approve the minutes of the July, 2019 meeting. Vote 5-0
 - B. Financial Report for July, 2019
Motion was made by Dana Burkett and seconded by Discha Threlkeld to approve the financial report for July, 2019. Vote 5-0
 - C. Accounts Payable for August, 2019
Motion was made by Debra Scoggins and seconded by Patricia Harrod to approve the accounts payable for August, 2019. Vote 5-0
- VI. Information Reports
 - A. Utility/Public Works Department report was not available from Billy Rhodes.
The mayor reported that several leaks have been fixed within the last few days; maintenance work has been done at the pumps and Billy is staying extremely busy; meters were read and other routine items done.
 - B. Volunteer Fire Department report was given by Todd Akers.
 1. Total Calls-16/8 medical; 3 grass fires; 1 control burn; 1 mutual aid; 1 structure fire/2 other calls
 2. General fund balance is \$2871.15
 3. Truck fund balance is \$1926.38
 4. New truck fund balance is \$6622.91
 5. Volunteer hours for July was 64.57
 6. Miscellaneous/ water usage was 220 gallons. There was no training during July. Had meetings about the problems with the trucks and grants. LVFD members cleaned the station and replaced ceiling tiles in the meeting room and had the Chuckwagon Breakfast, thanks to all who supported them. Honey Grove VFD in on automatic mutual aid for fires until LVFD engine is back.

- C. Administration Department
 - 1. Chamber of Commerce Events/Needing people to set up for the 20 mile garage sale in October.
 - 2. Construction projects/still working on pumps at well 1; was pulled and tested/firms met about the transformer at well 2; electrical system in new well house will have to be changed out to be compatible with the existing transformer.
 - 3. Mosquito spraying/8-1-19 last spraying; received favorable comments about the spraying.
- D. Police Department report was given by Chief Day.
 - 1. Chief Day reported that TCOLE came for an inspection; everything was good; waiting on paperwork to be signed.
 - 2. Camera system at city has some issues, but is repairable.
 - 3. Housing authority looking for law enforcement coverage at the substation; will pay the city for 24 hours per month to have an officer posted at the housing unit; hopefully will have uniformed person there within the next few weeks.
 - 4. Because of the recent fires, meeting with the state fire marshal.
 - 5. Will be scheduling “New Chiefs” course; required within the first year
 - 6. The TCOLE Agency re-activation inspection is completed
 - 7. Waiting on mobile radio installation
 - 8. Will be contacting the state for court funds
 - 9. Will have to establish a bank account for asset forfeiture; money is dispersed each year to law enforcement agencies.
 - 10. Approaching PJC about designing signs and barricades for Rails to Trails

VII. Old Business

- A. Discuss, consider, action/ Repair of streets
Motion was made by Debra Scoggins and seconded by Patricia Harrod to have Fannin County work on Commerce, Mill and Fuller streets. Vote 5-0
- B. Discuss, consider, action/ Repair or replace city truck
Motion was made by Dana Burkett and seconded by Debra Scoggins to research for replacing the city truck. Vote 5-0

VIII. New Business

- A. Discuss, consider, action/ Format of city council meeting minutes
Mayor Pro-Tem Patricia Harrod addressed the council about recording the minutes with more detailed information. Mayor Jan Cooper explained that the minutes are recorded as required by Government Codes, and that recording “word for word” discussions would be very time consuming.
Motion was made by Debra Scoggins and seconded by Dana Burkett to table any action on this item. Vote 5-0
- B. Discuss, consider, action/ Reschedule September 2019 meeting
The possibility of changing the regular meeting No action was taken.
- C. Discuss, consider, action/ Set date for budget workshop
Motion was made by Debra Scoggins and seconded by Patricia Harrod to set August 22, 2019 at 6:00 pm for the budget workshop. Vote 5-0
- D. Discuss, consider, action/ Set date for 2019-20 Proposed Budget Hearing
No action was taken.
- E. Discuss, consider, action/ Air conditioning units for city offices
Motion was made by Patricia Harrod and seconded by Dana Burkett to get two air conditioners, one for the mayor’s office, a 110, and one for the city business office, a 220. Vote 5-0

- IX. Convene in Executive Session as authorized by Texas Government Code, Chapter 551,
Open Meetings
There was no closed session.
- X. Reconvene in Open Session to take action (if any) on items discussed in executive
session.
There was no closed session.
- XI. Adjourn
Motion was made by Debra Scoggins and seconded by Dana Burkett that the meeting
adjourn at 8:03 pm. Vote 5-0

Debbie Nichols
Debbie Nichols, City Secretary

Jan Cooper
Jan Cooper, Mayor