

Notice of Regular Meeting

Ladonia City Council

Monday, March 17, 2025

7:00 p.m. at Ladonia City Hall

MINUTES

I. Call to order and establish a Quorum.

Meeting called to order at 7:00PM on Monday, March 17, 2025

II. Roll Call

Russell Duckworth, Discha Threlkeld, Amy Robinson, Jan Copper and Mayor Bratton.

III. Invocation/Pledges

IV. Mayor Announcements

1. Feeding Fannin will be April 1, 2025
2. Good Friday on April 18, 2025 (Office Closed)
3. Next regular City Council meeting will be held on April 21, 2025 at 7:00 PM
4. Chamber of Commerce Banquet Scheduled for April 26, 2025

V. 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 per person and the council may not comment or 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.*)

Bill Duffy spoke. Wanted to make sure everyone knew that you could donate more than just \$1 to the LVFD and that they need the whole towns support. Told everyone to see Lisa at City Hall and could make changes to water bill for them. Announced that there will be a Meet the Candidate event on April 17th at City Hall at 6PM. Mr. Duffy stated that the Hatch Act prohibits any postal employees from engaging in any political activities while working. Would like to see Council consider having periodic Town Hall meetings.

VI. Administrative Agenda

A. Minutes of February 20, 2025 Regular Meeting

Motion to approve as corrected made by Russell Duckworth, second by Amy Robinson.

VOTE: 4 - 0

B. Minutes from February 7, 2025 Special Meetings

Motion to accept the Minutes from the February 7, Special Meeting made by Jan Cooper, second by Amy Robinson.

VOTE: 4 - 0

- C. Accounts Payable for March 2025
Motion to approve March 2025 Accounts payable made by Russell Duckworth, second by Jan Cooper.

VOTE: 4 - 0

- D. Financial Report for February 2025
Motion to table financial report for February 2025 made by Russell Duckworth, second by Amy Robinson.

VOTE: 4 - 0

VII. Information Reports

- A. Utility/Public Works Department
- B. Volunteer Fire Department
- C. Administration Department
- D. Police Department

VIII. New Business-Discuss Consider Action

- A. Doug Janeway update on Lake Ralph Hall and Shoreline Management Plan
Doug Janeway shared a slide presentation to update citizens on the Lake Ralph Hall and Shoreline Management Plan. No action to be taken at this time.

- B. Acceptance of payment from Upper Trinity for road impact on city.
Motion to accept the Road Impact Payment Agreement from Upper Trinity. Upper Trinity will pay the City of Ladonia \$50,000 to help with any repairs needed on city roads from Garney Construction made by Amy Robinson, second by Jan Cooper.

VOTE: 4 - 0

- C. Cell Phone for Police Dept.
Motion to table item VIII – C made by Russell Duckworth, second by Discha Threlkeld. Staff directed to get some pricing options and present again at a future meeting.

VOTE: 4 - 0

- D. Letter of Support for the Johnson family trying to establish a municipal management district.
Motion to give the Johnson family a letter of support in their establishing a Municipal Management District near Lake Ralph Hall made by Discha Threlkeld, second by Amy Robinson.

VOTE: 4 - 0

- E. Establish date for city wide cleanup and dumpsters
Motion to establish City Wide Cleanup for April 12 – 18, 2025 made by Jan Cooper, second by Amy Robinson. Staff directed to arrange for dumpsters to be delivered.

VOTE: 4 - 0

F. Purchase of City of Ladonia uniforms for water service staff
Motion to table item VIII-F until after Council has a budget workshop made by Jan Cooper, second by Discha Threlkeld.
Staff directed to get some prices for 3 shirts for the 3 workers.

VOTE: 4 - 0

G. Lease of real property on HWY 50 by Kaleb Baxter
Motion made by Russell Duckworth, second by Jan Cooper to table item VIII – G indefinitely as the property will not be available to lease for at least another year.

VOTE: 4 - 0

H. Establish live date for TextMyGov program to be started.
Motion to set TextMyGov to go live on April 4, 2025 made by Jan Cooper, second by Amy Robinson.

VOTE: 4 – 0

I. Set a budget workshop to review budget progress for this year and try to allocate more funds to Water/Sewer repairs.
Motion to set a budget workshop for Wednesday, April 2, 2025 made by Jan Cooper, second by Russell Duckworth.

VOTE: 4 – 0

J. Approve \$3745.95 for parts to repair North Taylor, replace 1 school meter and set new radio meters.
Motion to table item VIII-J until after the budget workshop set for April 2, 2025 made by Russell Duckworth, second by Discha Threlkeld.

VOTE: 4 - 0

K. Add Fire Alarm Inspections to existing Bureau Veritas Contract
Motion to add Fire Alarm Inspections to the Bureau Veritas Contract with associated fee schedule made by Russell Duckworth, second by Jan Cooper. (Note: will need to make a resolution for the new fee schedule before can change contract.)

VOTE: 4 – 0

L. Approve Jeff Hundley to complete Code Enforcement Training
Motion to approve Jeff Hundley attending Code Enforcement Training and re-allocating funds from 35-6119 for cost made by Russell Duckworth, second by Discha Threlkeld.

VOTE: 4 - 0

M. Purchase of hydraulic cylinder for tractor
Motion to table item VIII-F until after the budget workshop made by Amy Robinson, second by Discha Threlkeld.

VOTE: 4 - 0

IX. Update/ Discussion
A. How TextMyGov will work for residents

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- B. How past due water bills will be addressed by the City
- C. Update on City Street repairs
- D. Update on 2 year audit

X. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 7:31PM made by Discha Threlkeld, second by Amy Robinson.

VOTE: 4 - 0


Justin Bratton, Mayor


Lisa Smith, City Secretary