

Notice of Regular Meeting
Ladonia City Council
Monday December 15, 2025
7:00 p.m. at Ladonia City Hall
MINUTES

I. Call to order and establish a Quorum.

Meeting called to order at 7:18PM by Mayor Justin Bratton/Miller.

II. Roll Call

Jan Cooper, Amy Robinson, Russell Duckworth, Discha Threlkeld, and Mayor Justin Bratton/Miller.

III. Invocation/Pledges

Recited by all

IV. Mayor Announcements

- A. Feeding Fannin will be January 6, 2026
- B. Office will be Closed on December 24 and 25th for Christmas Holiday
- C. Office will be closed on January 1st for New Year's Day
- D. Next Regular City Council meeting for January will be adjusted for the Monday Holiday.
- E. Volunteer Fire Department needs volunteers that are available in the daytime hours.

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 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.)*

VI. Administrative Agenda

- A. Minutes for November 5th Special Meeting
Motion to accept the minutes for November 5th Special Meeting
made by Russell Duckworth, second by Amy Robinson.

VOTE: 4-0

- B. Minutes for November 5th Special Workshop
Motion to approve the minutes for November 5th Special Workshop made by Russell Duckworth, second by Amy Robinson.

VOTE: 4-0

- C. Minutes for November 17, 2025 Regular Meeting
Motion to approve the minutes from the November 17, 2025 Regular Meeting
made by Russell Duckworth, second by Jan Cooper.

VOTE: 4-0

D. Minutes for November 17, 2025 Workshop for LVFD

Motion to approve the minutes from the November 17, 2025 LVFD workshop made by Russell Duckworth, second by Amy Robinson.

VOTE: 4-0

E. Minutes for November 17, 2025 Planning and Zoning, 2025

Motion to approve minutes with the addition to Justin Bratton/Miller as being present for the meeting made by Russell Duckworth, second by Amy Robinson.

VOTE: 4-0

F. Account Payable for December 2025

Motion to accept December Accounts Payable as presented made by Amy Robinson, second by Jan Cooper.

VOTE: 4-0

G. Financial Report for December 2025

Motion to table Financial Report for December 2025 made by Russell Duckworth, second by Jan Cooper.

VOTE: 4-0

VII. Information Reports

A. Utility/Public Works Department

B. Administration Department

C. Constable Hundley's Report

D. Volunteer Fire Department Report

E. There will be a fund raiser at the Pig & Whistle on Jan. 17, 2026 at 6:00PM to raise money for the Ladonia Volunteer Fire Department.

VIII. Old Business, Discuss/ Consider / Take Action

A. Water rates for local businesses

Motion to take no further action made by Russell Duckworth, second by Amy Robinson.

VOTE: 4-0

IX. New Business- Discuss, Consider / Take Action

A. Approve recommendations from the November 17, 2025 Planning and Zoning Meeting for the property at 310 E Main St.

Motion to give pre-approval for the project at 310 E Main with a lot width requirement variance for a total of 56 feet presented in the Planning and Zoning meeting from Nov. 17, 2025 made by Russell Duckworth, second by Amy Robinson.

VOTE: 4-0

B. Propose New Utility Rates for January 1, 2026

Recommendation to raise water rates by the \$2.00 required by TWDB and an additional 5% on all accounts but City is going to see if can appeal the 5% increase to be more if needed made by Russell Duckworth, second by Jan Cooper. Will set another workshop to finalize rates.

VOTE: 4-0

C. Consider replacing Eternal Flame Lamp in front of office with a solar version
Motion to table Item IX-C indefinitely made by Russell Duckworth, second by Jan Cooper.
VOTE: 4-0

D. Nominate candidate for the Fannin County Appraisal District- Resolution 2025-12-15
Motion to nominate Rhonda Cohn to the Fannin County Appraisal Distract Board and
approve Resolution 2022-12-15 made by Russell Duckworth, second by Jan Cooper.
VOTE: 4-0

E. Consider Ordinance 2025-12-15 requiring Health and Safety Inspections on residential
units.
Motion to table until the January City Council Meeting made by Russell Duckworth,
second by Amy Robinson.
VOTE: 4-0

X. Adjourn
Motion to adjourn at 8:10PM made by Discha Threlkeld, second by Amy Robinson,
VOTE: 4-0



Justin Miller, Mayor



Lisa Smith, City Secretary