

September 10, 2018

The City Council of the City of Lavaca met for a regularly scheduled meeting Monday, September 10, 2018, at City Hall in Lavaca. Board members present were Mayor Hugh Hardgrave; and Aldermen Benny Hunter, Dale Teague, Rick Edgerton, Jeff Price and Mike Ray. Visitors present were Eric Robertson, Lorie Robertson, Erin Dickson, Lisa Hogan, Steve Helms and Randy Toon.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as presented. (RE/BH)

The Council reviewed the Police Report from the month of August. The Department responded to 486 calls, issued 22 tickets and 37 warnings, and made 15 arrests.

The Council reviewed the Fire Report for the month of August. The Department answered 5 fire calls and 13 First Responder calls and participated in routine meetings.

The Mayor asked if anyone present was interested in the open council position. Lorie Robertson was the only person to express interest. Rick Edgerton made a motion to appoint Ms. Robertson to fill the board vacancy, Benny Hunter second, all members present voted yes. Ms. Robertson was sworn in by JP Dist. 1 Johnny Hobbs and then took her seat at the table.

The Council was asked to consider employee compensation for the 2019 budget. Option 1 was a .30/hour increase for all employees. Option 2 was a .30/hour increase for all employees except that those earning less than \$11/hour would get a bump to \$11/hour, Rusty Wilson would bump to \$12/hour, and all new hires, regardless of position, would earn a minimum of \$10/hour. Mike Ray's motion to go with Option 2 was seconded by Jeff Price, all members present voted yes.

Dale Teague made a motion to accept sealed bids for the 2008 Crown Vic Police Vehicle and to earmark any proceeds from the sale for a generator at the new police station. Mike Ray second, all members present voted yes.

There being no further business, the council voted to pay the bills and adjourn. (RE/MR)