

December 12, 2022

The City Council of the City of Lavaca met for a regular monthly meeting Monday December 12, 2022, at City Hall in Lavaca. Board members present were Mayor Hugh Hardgrave, Aldermen: Mike Ray, Gerald Schaefer, Rick Edgerton, Lorie Robertson (phone), Benny Hunter, City Attorney John Verkamp and Recorder Shelly Hockaday. Aldermen Dale Teague was absent. Visitors present were Butch Maness, Toby Beavers, and Randy Toon.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P. M. Randy Toon led the Pledge of Allegiance and Mayor Hardgrave led the prayer.

The Council reviewed the minutes of the November regular meeting. Benny Hunter made a motion to approve the minutes as printed. Gerald Schaefer seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Council members reviewed the report from the Police Dept. The Department answered 550 calls in November. LPD issued 7 tickets and 32 warnings. There was 1 arrest made in the month of November.

Council members reviewed the report from the Fire Dept. They responded to 2 vehicle accidents, 1 car fire, 2 grass fires, 1 alarm and 25 EMS calls in November.

Council members reviewed a contract amendment for the Fire Dept Floor project. Gerald Schaefer made a motion to approve the amendment. Mike Ray seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Motion Passed.

Council members reviewed a resolution for the State Street Aid Program. Lorie Robertson made a motion to approve as resolution 2022-05. Rick Edgerton seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Motion Passed.

Council members reviewed a quote for an 8" C-Cutter in the amount of \$11,061.75 for the Fire Dept. Benny Hunter made a motion to proceed with the purchase. Mike Ray seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Motion Passed.

Council members reviewed a quote for a 28" spreader tool in the amount of \$11,937.88 for the Fire Dept. Mike Ray made a motion to proceed with the purchase. Rick Edgerton seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Motion Passed.

Mayor Hardgrave advised the council that David Taylor had resigned from his seat on the F.S.P.W.A board and that he recommended James Webb to fill the seat. Gerald Schaefer made a motion to accept David Taylor's resignation and to appoint James Webb to fill the seat. Benny Hunter seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Motion Passed.

Council members reviewed the 2023 budget including employee raises. Lorie Robertson made a motion to approve the budget with a \$1.00 per hour salary increase for all employees. Mike Ray seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Rick Edgerton made a motion to pay the bills for the month of December. Gerald Schaefer seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

With no further business on the agenda, meeting was adjourned. (RE/MR)

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Mayor

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Attest: Recorder