

July 15, 2019

The City Council of the City of Lavaca met for a regular monthly meeting Monday July 15, 2019, at City Hall in Lavaca. Board members present were Mayor Hugh Hardgrave; Aldermen: Mike Ray, Gerald Schaefer, Rick Edgerton, Lorie Robertson, Benny Hunter, attorney John Verkamp and Recorder Shelly Hockaday. Dale Teague was absent. Visitors present were Kristina Berry, Louis Brashears, Linda Reed, Marilyn Watts, Faith Lindsey, Angela Stevens, Mr & Mrs Doug Stevens, Steve Helms, Paul Sanders, Randy Toon, and George & Cathy Wheatley.

The meeting was called to order at 7 P. M. Hugh Hardgrave led the Pledge of Allegiance and Steve Helms led the prayer.

The Council approved the minutes of the June regular and special meeting as printed. (RE/BH)

Council members reviewed the report from the Police Dept. The Department answered 434 calls in June and made 5 arrests. Additionally, 11 tickets and 12 warnings were issued.

Council members reviewed the report from the Fire Dept. The Department answered 20 first responder calls in June and assisted with the removal of sandbags off S Hwy 96 at Turkey Creek. Steve Helms will be retiring from the Lavaca Fire Dept after 34 years of service on August 15, 2019. During Steve's time with the department our ISO rating has dropped from 9 to 4. Many thanks to Steve for all of his time and effort he has put into the department and the City over the last 34 years.

Council members reviewed a request from Waste Management to increase rates from 10.19 to 10.56. After much discussion between the council and Mr. Wheatley, Mike Ray made a motion to accept the rate increase effective July 1, 2019. Motion was seconded by Gerald Schaefer and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

The Council voted to pay the bills for the month of July. (LR/RE)

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

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Mayor

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Attest: Recorder