

July 10, 2023

The City Council of the City of Lavaca met for a regular monthly meeting Monday July 10, 2023, at City Hall in Lavaca. Board members present were Mayor Hugh Hardgrave, City Attorney John Verkamp, Aldermen Mike Ray, Rick Edgerton, Lorie Robertson, and Benny Hunter and Recorder Shelly Hockaday. Dale Teague was absent and Gerald Schaefer arrived late at 6:16 PM. Visitors present were Jason Fitzgerald, Dwayne Wallace, Randy Toon, Ken VanDusen, Paul Sanders, Nicole Sanders and Butch Maness.

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

The Council approved the minutes of the June regular meeting. Gerald Schaefer was not present for this vote. (RE/MR)

Council members reviewed the report from the Police Dept. The Department answered 488 calls in June. LPD issued 13 tickets and 23 warnings. There were 5 arrests made in the month of June.

Council members reviewed the report from the Fire Dept. They responded to 11 first responder calls, 2 vehicle accidents, 2 tree/power lines down, and 1 HAZMAT incident in June.

Council members discussed a rate increase from Cards Recycling for City trash pickup. Jason Fitzgerald spoke on behalf of Cards and why the increase was needed. Currently the City pays \$10.93 and the requested increase is for 5% which would be \$0.55 making it \$11.48. Rick Edgerton made a motion to approve the 5% increase. Lorie Robertson seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

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

Benny Hunter made a motion to adjourn. Mike Ray seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Mayor

Attest: Recorder