

January 13, 2025

The City Council of the City of Lavaca met for a regular monthly meeting Monday January 13, 2025, at City Hall in Lavaca. Board members present were Mayor Hugh Hardgrave, Aldermen: Mike Ray, Gerald Schaeffer, Mac Green, Lisa Hogan, Lorie Robertson, Dawn Hutchins, City Attorney John Verkamp and Recorder Shelly Hockaday. Visitors present were Mr. & Mrs. Moore, David Tate, Randy Toon, Jeremy Smith, Rick Whitaker, and Johnny Hobbs.

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

Mayor Hardgrave welcomed new council members Dawn Hutchins and Mac Green.

The Council reviewed the minutes of the December regular meeting. Lorie Robertson made a motion to approve the meeting minutes with a change to the title of agenda item 9 and added wording on the Romac saddle required for agenda item 10. Lisa Hogan seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Council members reviewed the report from the Police Dept. The Department answered 407 calls in December. LPD issued 4 tickets and 22 warnings. There were 3 arrests made in the month of December.

Council members reviewed the report from the Fire Dept. They responded to: 7 fire calls and 28 EMS calls in December.

Agenda Item #1 – Consider resolution, Franklin county Prison. Council reviewed the resolution opposing the construction of a 3000-bed penitentiary to be built in the Vesta community of Franklin County. Mrs. Moore spoke to the council on behalf of the Franklin County & River Valley Coalition opposing the prison. Lisa Hogan made a motion to approve the resolution. Mike Ray seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Resolution 2025-01 passed.

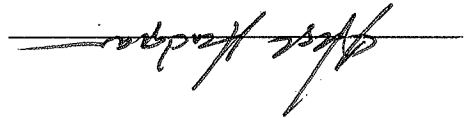
Agenda Item #2 – Update signers on all City of Lavaca accounts with First National Bank. Signers Benny Hunter and Rick Edgerton will need to be removed. New signers will be as follows: Hugh Hardgrave, Susan Weaver, Shelly Hockaday, Mike Ray, Gerald Schaeffer, Mac Green, Lisa Hogan, Lorie Robertson, and Dawn Hutchins. Lorie Robertson made a motion to approve the changes. Lisa Hogan seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Randy Toon made a presentation of a plaque to Rick Whitaker. Rick is retiring from the Lavaca Police Dept with a combined 38 years in Law Enforcement. The City of Lavaca appreciates Mr. Whitaker's years of service to the citizens.

Lisa Hogan made a motion to pay the bills for the month of January. Lorie Robertson seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

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

Mayor



Attest: Recorder

