

# CITY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

## REGULAR MEETING

**August 10, 2020**

### CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Solis called meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., on August 10, 2020, in the Lyford City Hall meeting room; public called in thru Zoom.

### ATTENDANCE

The following members were present:

Mayor	Wally Solis
Mayor Pro-tem	Rick Salinas
Commissioner	Tony Chavez
Commissioner	Maggie Quilantan
Commissioner	Avelardo Mireles
Commissioner	Albert Cavazos

### STAFF PRESENT

Lydia Moreno	Benito Estrada
Ben Vera	Gerald Cantu
Armin Martinez	Joe Cabrera

### AUDIENCE

Allen Essex	Paula Rodriguez
Cira Gonzales	

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Salinas made the motion to approve the Agenda for the Regular Meeting on August 10, 2020. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and Motion carried.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Salinas made the motion to approve the Minutes of the Public Hearing and Regular Meeting on June 8, 2020; Special Meeting on June 22, July 13, July 27, 2020. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.

### PLANNING & ZONING:

1. HOME Program: Commissioner Salinas made the motion to grant a setback variance for 13557 Chapote with exception to include a 15'x80' house plan (front and rear setbacks). Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.

## **VISITORS:**

2. Cira Gonzales: Commissioner Salinas made the motion to adjust the sewer account for \$58.07 and (6) month payment plan. Commissioner Mireles seconded. All approved and motion carried.
3. 7<sup>th</sup> Day Adventist Church: Commissioner Salinas made the motion to adjust the sewer account for 5/21 and 6/21 for \$107.92. City to look into the age of the meter and replace. Commissioner Mireles seconded. All approved and motion carried.
4. Concepcion Naranjo: Commissioner Salinas made the motion to adjust the sewer account for \$239.91 and payment plan. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.
5. Home for Pets: Commissioner Salinas made the motion to table. Commissioner Mireles seconded. All approved and motion carried. (Salinas to sit down and talk to Ms. Carol Smith. Lugo can go and meet her in Corpus Christi. Need to set up meeting with her.)
6. Maria Escamilla: Commissioner Salinas made the motion to table. Needs to be here at the next meeting. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.

## **GENERAL FUNCTION**

7. Commissioner Salinas made the motion to table the procurement of the engineer and grant administrator for the proposed GLO CDBG Mitigation project (the lake area on the west side of town); to revisit until we have information on the 2019 Flood Event. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.
8. Commissioner Salinas made the motion to table the proposal from Frost Bank for the lease purchase financing of a brush truck for the fire department. City to look into a 4-door brush truck estimate. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.
9. Commissioner Cavazos made the motion to table the bids for the fire department roof. Commissioner Salinas seconded. All approved and motion carried.
10. Commissioner Salinas made the motion to designate the 50 acres east of town as a burning site for the removal of Hurricane Hanna debris. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.

11. Commissioner Salinas made the motion to approve proposal from Loftin Equipment in the amount of \$1,469.37 to repair the generator to Oleander Lift Station. City to call Loftin Equipment to further discuss the \$6,464.00 proposal for the City Hall generator. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.
12. Discussed the new Republic Services garbage and brush rates effective 9-1-2020.
13. Commissioner Salinas made the motion to approve the Lease Form and amount of \$150.00 monthly rent for the City Hall Annex office to Maria Perez. Commissioner Mireles seconded. All approved and motion carried.
14. Commissioner Cavazos made the motion to approve the utility billing adjustments through 7/31/2020. Commissioner Salinas stated that only those with unemployment covid-19 related were to be waived the late fees, disconnect fees, and payment arrangement, all others are to be disconnected for non-payment. Benito to correct the \$720.00 waived fees. Commissioner Mireles seconded. All approved and motion carried.
15. Commissioner Cavazos made the motion to approve the monthly bills and any grant payments. Commissioner Mireles seconded. All approved and motion carried.

## **MONTHLY REPORTS**

16. Lyford Municipal Court monthly activity report presented.
17. Lyford Police Department monthly activity report presented.
18. Lyford Fire Department monthly activity report presented.
19. Public Works Supervisor monthly activity report presented.
20. Secretary's monthly financial reports presented.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

### **Closed Session from 8:58 pm to 9:02 pm**

21. Commissioner Cavazos made the motion to hire Desaire Oviedo full time effective August 24, 2020, at \$8.00 per hour. Workforce training program to terminate on August 21, 2020. Commissioner Mireles seconded. All approved and motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Cavazos made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Mireles seconded. All approved and meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

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**City Secretary**

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**Mayor Jose G. Solis**