

**MINUTES OF MARCH 22, 2021  
CITY OF LUMBERTON**

A Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Lumberton was held at 7:00 p.m. on March 22, 2021, pursuant to notice duly posted according to law. The following members were present:

Don Surratt	-	Mayor
Lynette Barks	-	Councilwoman
Steve Templeton	-	Councilman
Kenneth Wahl	-	Mayor Pro Tem
David Maniscalco	-	Councilman
Dan Bell	-	Councilman

Also present were City Manager Steve Clark, City Attorney Curtis Soileau, Police Chief Danny Sullins, City Secretary Susan Collins, Zoning Clerk Anita Price, and other guests (see attached Guest Register).

Mayor Surratt called the Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. noting that a quorum was present, and meeting was duly called and posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act. Mayor Surratt then delivered the Invocation, Councilman Templeton led the Pledge of Allegiance and Councilman Bell led the Texas Pledge.

***CITIZEN'S PARTICIPATION – MAYOR PRO TEM WAHL PRESIDING***

Ms. Georgia Vasilakis came forward to introduce herself to Council and to announce her candidacy for LISD School Board.

***ANNOUNCEMENTS/CITY BUSINESS:***

None at this time.

***\*\*\* PROCLAMATION – GIRL SCOUT SILVER AWARD – AVA BARTON***

Girl Scout Ava Barton repurposed a damaged book return box into a receptacle for worn flags. The completed project was on display for Council and guests.

Mayor Surratt presented a Proclamation congratulating Miss Barton on earning her Silver Award.

Kimberly Cline, State Representative James White's office then came forward to present Miss Barton with a Proclamation and a flag that was flown over the State Capitol.

***COMMITTEE REPORTS:***

***CONSENT AGENDA:***

**A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 8, 2021 PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR MEETING**

Councilwoman Barks made a Motion to accept the Minutes as presented. Mayor Pro Tem Wahl seconded the Motion. Motion passed unanimously with six (6) for and none (0) against.

***OLD BUSINESS:***

***NEW BUSINESS:***

**Item # 210321 – Discussion and Possible Action – Appoint May 1, 2021 General Election Judge**  
City Secretary, Susan Collins advised that when Council ordered the Election a Judge had not been selected. Since that time Ms. LaDuca has agreed to serve as Judge for the May 1<sup>st</sup> General Election. Mayor Pro Tem Wahl made a Motion to appoint Diana LaDuca as the May 1, 2021 General Election Judge. Councilman Maniscalco seconded the Motion. Motion passed unanimously with six (6) for and none (0) against.

**Item # 210322 – Discussion and Possible Action – Resolution / Agreement with Industrial Development Corporation Approving an Advancement of Funds**  
City Manager, Steve Clark advised that earlier this year he stated that he would like to extend the annual summer road project while the material rates are low. Mr. Clark further stated that the Industrial Development Corporation (IDC) has agreed to advance \$1,000,000.00 to fund the project. The loan would be at a 3% interest rate and payable in four annual installments with no penalty for early pay-off. Councilman Bell stated that he did not see the necessity in borrowing funds when there is enough in the City accounts to fund the project. After much detailed discussion including possible future IDC projects, this item Died for Lack of a Motion.

**Item # 210323 – Discussion and Possible Acton – Resolution Approving Disposition of Surplus Property**  
City Manager, Steve Clark advised that the Maintenance Department has three pieces of equipment to be disposed of and he would like to seek bids to sell the items. Councilman Maniscalco made a Motion to accept the Resolution approving the Disposition of Surplus Property as presented. Councilman Bell seconded the Motion. Motion passed unanimously with six (6) for and none (0) against.

***MONTHLY REPORTS:***

Monthly Financial Reports were reviewed and discussed at this time.

***MAYOR’S REPORT:***

Proclamation – Child Abuse Prevention Month (no one was present to accept the Proclamation)

\*\*\* Proclamation – Girl Scout Silver Award – Ava Barton (this item was moved to the first of the meeting)

***CITY MANAGER’S REPORT:***

None at this time.

***POLICE CHIEF’S REPORT:***

None at this time.

***EXECUTIVE SESSION:***

Council did not enter into closed Executive Session.

***ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS:***

None at this time.

***PERSONNEL:***

***ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA:***

None at this time.

***ADJOURNMENT:***

There being no further business, Mayor Pro Tem Wahl made a Motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Barks seconded the Motion. Motion passed unanimously with six (6) for and none (0) against. The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

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DON SURRETT  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

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SUSAN COLLINS  
CITY SECRETARY