

**MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 13, 2021
CITY OF LUMBERTON**

A Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Lumberton was held at 7:00 p.m. on September 13, 2021, pursuant to notice duly posted according to law. The following members were present:

Don Surratt	-	Mayor
Lynette Barks	-	Councilwoman
Kimberly Cline	-	Councilwoman
David Maniscalco	-	Mayor Pro Tem
Dan Bell	-	Councilman

And absent:

Kenny Burkhalter	-	Councilman
Kenneth Wahl	-	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 7:00 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 and led Pledge of Allegiance and Mayor Pro Tem Maniscalco led the Texas Pledge.

CITIZEN’S PARTICIPATION – COUNCILMAN MANISCALCO PRESIDING

Mr. Rickey Simmons, Industrial Development Corporation President came forward to address Council. Mr. Simmons advised that he wanted to update Council on the progress of some of the FM 421 Park projects that were approved in the recent budget. Mr. Simmons then stated that the two main projects are the Splash Pad area (for small children only) and the Skateboard Park. Mr. Simmons has received preliminary quotes from Craftsman Commercial Playgrounds and Waterparks on the cost of each project and they are: Splash Pad \$389,500.00 and Skateboard Park \$139,900.00. Mr. Simmons also advised that both projects were quoted by “Buy-board” members therefore competitive bids are not required.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/CITY BUSINESS:

Ms. Sandra Womack, Chamber of Commerce Director announced the Lumberton Trade Days will be at the FM 421 Park October 16-17, 2021.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

CONSENT AGENDA:

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF AUGUST 23, 2021 REGULAR MEETING

Councilman Bell made a Motion to accept the Minutes as presented. Mayor Pro Tem Maniscalco seconded the Motion. Motion passed unanimously with five (5) for and none (0) against.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Item # 210911 – Discussion and Possible Action – Zoning Commission Recommendation
Request submitted by Larry and Kary Burnham to encroach upon their rear building setback line to within 20’ of the property line to build a 24’x 25’ accessory building. The property is located at 6485 Woodridge Drive, Lot 1, Block 5, Westwood Heights, Section 1, P# WWH1-5-1, I# 2021-112477 3/15/2021, Lumberton, Hardin County, Texas

Mayor Pro Tem Maniscalco made a Motion to accept Zoning Commission recommendation and approve the variance request at 6485 Woodridge Drive as presented. Councilwoman Cline seconded the Motion. Motion passed unanimously with five (5) for and none (0) against.

Circle, Item # 210912 – Discussion and Possible Action – Zoning Commission Recommendation
Variance request submitted by Joshua Picard to encroach upon his rear building setback line to within 8’ of the property line to build a 10’x 12’ accessory building on skids. The property is located at 6510 Columbus Lot 31, Block 8, Westwood Heights, Phase IV, Section B, Plat 4-193-A, P# WWHIV-8-31, I# 2018-89016 10/01/2018, Lumberton, Hardin County, Texas

Mayor Pro Tem Maniscalco made a Motion to accept the Zoning Commission recommendation and approve the variance request at 6510 Columbus Circle as presented. Councilman Bell seconded the Motion. Motion passed unanimously with five (5) for and none (0) against.

Item # 210913 – Discussion and Possible Action – Zoning Commission Recommendation
Variance request submitted by Michael Campbell to encroach upon his west side building setback line to pour concrete to extend and widen his existing driveway to within 5’ of the property line. The property is located at 6220 Marble Falls, Lot 9, Block 2, Westwood Heights Section 1, P# WWH1-2-9, I# 1737/658 07/06/2009, Lumberton, Hardin County, Texas

Councilman Bell made a Motion to accept the Zoning Commission recommendation and approve the variance request at 6220 Marble Falls as presented. Councilwoman Cline seconded the Motion. Motion passed unanimously with five (5) for and none (0) against.

Item # 210914 – Discussion and Possible Action – Zoning Commission Recommendation
Request submitted by Cody and Amber Alford, on behalf of Wendlyn Brisendine, to divide her property with a Minor Plat that includes a shared driveway. The property is located at 125 Dogwood, Abstract 2, in the Francisco Arriola Survey, P# 2-6, Tract 8B, I# 1003/678, Lumberton, Hardin County, Texas

Councilwoman Cline made a Motion to accept the Zoning Commission recommendation and approve the request for a Minor Plat at 125 Dogwood as presented. Councilwoman Barks seconded the Motion. Motion passed unanimously with five (5) for and none (0) against.

Item # 210915 – Discussion and Possible Action – Request from Lumberton Chamber of Commerce for use of Hotel Occupancy Tax Funds

City Manager, Steve Clark advised that Budget Committee members Councilman Wahl and Councilman Bell reviewed the Application for use of Hotel Occupancy Tax Funds received from the Chamber. Councilman Bell made a Motion to approve the request for funds in the amount of \$2,500.00. Councilwoman Cline seconded the Motion. Motion passed unanimously with five (5) for and none (0) against.

MONTHLY REPORTS:

Reports from the Permit Department, Police Department and Library were review and discussed at this time.

MAYOR’S REPORT:

None at this time.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager, Steve Clark advised that the City has received the first deposit from the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (CLFRF) program.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief Sullins reported that eight people were arrested this weekend after a disturbance at the Waffle House.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Council entered into closed Executive Session under Section 551.071 at 7:24 p.m. and reconvened in Open Session at 9:22 p.m..

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 Maniscalco made a Motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Barks seconded the Motion. Motion passed unanimously with five (5) for and none (0) against. The meeting adjourned at 9:24 p.m.

DON SURRETT
MAYOR

ATTEST:

SUSAN COLLINS
CITY SECRETARY