

**MINUTES OF JUNE 26, 2023
CITY OF LUMBERTON**

A Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Lumberton was held at 7:00 p.m. on June 26, 2023, pursuant to notice duly posted according to law. The following members were present:

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

And absent:

Kenny Burkhalter	-	Councilman
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Also present were City Manager Steve Clark, City Attorney Curtis Soileau, Police Chief Danny Sullins, City Secretary Susan Collins, Secretary Darla Harrington, 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 delivered the Invocation. Councilman Wahl led the Pledge of Allegiance and Councilman Bell led the Texas Pledge.

CITIZEN'S PARTICIPATION – MAYOR PRO TEM BARKS PRESIDING

Ms. Sue Baker came forward at this time to address Council regarding lowering the speed limit to 45 mph on Hwy 96 from Walton Road to the city limits. She stated that she lives in Village Creek Estates and it is dangerous to turn into the subdivision because of the speed of the vehicles traveling on Hwy 96.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/CITY BUSINESS:

None at this time.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

CONSENT AGENDA:

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JUNE 12, 2023 REGULAR MEETING

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

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Item #230611 – Discussion and Possible Action –

LongLeaf Sec 1 Preliminary Plat Approval extension request.

Councilman Maniscalco made a motion to approve the Preliminary Plat extension request for twelve (12) months from June 26, 2023 for LongLeaf Sec 1. Mayor Pro Tem Barks seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with six (6) for and none (0) against.

Item #230612 – Discussion and Possible Action –

Award Bid for Event Center Building Project.

City Manager, Steve Clark announced that Daniels Construction came in with the low bid and the bid was found to be true and accurate. The recommendation is to reward Daniels Construction the contract to build the new Event Center for \$4,099,772.00. Councilman Maniscalco made a motion to award the bid to Daniels Construction for \$4,099.772.00. Councilman Bell seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with six (6) for and none (0) against.

Item #230613 – Discussion and Possible Action –

Appoint City Secretary / Treasurer

Mayor Surratt stated that due to City Secretary Susan Collins retiring at the end of the week Council will have to appoint a new City Secretary. He stated that Darla Harrington has been training in that position. Councilman Bell made a Motion to appoint Darla Harrington as City Secretary. Mayor Pro Tem Barks seconded the Motion. Motion passed unanimously with six (6) for and none (0) against. At this time the outgoing City Secretary Susan Collins came forward to administer the Oath of Office to Darla Harrington.

MONTHLY REPORTS:

Monthly Financial Reports were reviewed and discussed at this time.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager, Steve Clark stated that he will be starting on the '23-'24 budget soon. He also stated Goodwill has begun building their new facility.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief Sullins announced that long time Lumberton Fire Chief Ed Schooley had passed away.

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, Councilman Wahl made a Motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Cline seconded the Motion. Motion passed unanimously with six (6) for and none (0) against. The meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

DON SURRETT
MAYOR

ATTEST:

DARLA HARRINGTON
CITY SECRETARY