MINUTES OF AUGUST 11, 2025 CITY OF LUMBERTON

A Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Lumberton was held at 7:00 p.m. on August 11, 2025, pursuant to notice duly posted according to law. The following members were present:

Don Surratt - Mayor

Joey Schoen - Councilman

Kenneth Wahl - Mayor Pro Tem

Wayne Thomas - Councilman

Dan Bell - Councilman

And absent:

Lynette Barks - Councilwoman

David Maniscalco - Councilman

Also present were City Manager Steve Clark, City Attorney Curtis Soileau, Police Chief Danny Sullins, City Secretary Darla Harrington, Zoning Secretary 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. Councilman Wahl delivered the Invocation, Mayor Surratt led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Councilman Thomas led the Texas Pledge.

CITIZEN'S PARTICIPATION - MAYOR PRO TEM WAHL PRESIDING

None at this time.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/CITY BUSINESS:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

CONSENT AGENDA:

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JULY 28, 2025 REGULAR MEETING

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

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Item #250811 – Discussion and Possible Action – Zoning Commission Recommendation Variance request submitted by James Anderson to encroach upon his east side and rear building setback lines to within 5' of both property lines, to construct an 8'X8' accessory building on skids (Section 50-537 City Ordinances). The property is located at 6910 Woodridge Drive, Westwood Heights, Phase IV, Section A, Block 10, Lot 11, Abstract #2, in the Francisco Arriola Survey, Lumberton, Hardin County, Texas.

Mayor Pro Tem Wahl made a Motion to accept the Zoning Commission Recommendation and approve the request as presented. Councilman Thomas seconded the Motion. Motion passed unanimously with five (5) for and none (0) against.

Item #250812 – Discussion and Possible Action – Zoning Commission Recommendation
First Reading – An Ordinance of the City of Lumberton, Texas amending
Chapter 50 (Zoning), Division 6., Section 50-332 repealing game rooms as a use
in C-2 Community Business District and and amending Section 50-341 to
prohibit the use and operation of amusement redemption machines and game
rooms within the city limits.

Councilman Bell made a Motion to approve the First Reading amending Chapter 50 (Zoning), Division 6, Section 50-332 repealing game rooms as a use in C-2 Community Business District and amending Section 50-341 to prohibit the use and operation of amusement redemption machines and game rooms within the city limits. Mayor Pro Tem Wahl seconded the Motion. Motion passed unanimously with five (5) for and none (0) against.

Item #250813 – Discussion and Possible Action – First Reading – An Ordinance of the City of Lumberton, Texas amending Chapter 8 (Business and Business Regulations), Division 1. – Regulations of Game Rooms, repealing certain definitions and regulations and prohibiting the use and operation of amusement redemption machines and game rooms within the corporate limits of the City.

Councilman Bell made a Motion to approve the First Reading amending Chapter 8 (Business and Business Regulations), Division 1 prohibiting the use and operation of amusement redemption machines and game rooms within the corporate city limits. Councilman Thomas seconded the Motion. Motion passed unanimously with five (5) for and none (0) against.

MONTHLY REPORTS:

Monthly Financial Reports were reviewed and discussed at this time.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Surratt asked City Engineer Troy Whitehead about the progress of the detention pond that Hardin County is constructing with grant funds. Mr. Whitehead advised that some documents are up for revisions and will then be presented to the Grant Administrator for approval. Once approved the County will then move forward to begin the bidding process.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager Steve Clark stated that Hardin County went out for bids and has now contracted with two companies for debris removal and two companies for debris monitors. He has made contact with these companies regarding obtaining a contract with the City.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief Sullins announced that he is still working towards getting the FLOC cameras.

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.

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There being no further business, Councilman Thomas made a Motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Wahl seconded the Motion. Motion passed unanimously with five (5) for and none (0) against. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

	DON SURRATT MAYOR	
ATTEST:		
DARLA HARRINGTON CITY SECRETARY	-	