

**MINUTES OF MARCH 23, 2026
CITY OF LUMBERTON**

A Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Lumberton was held at 7:00 p.m. on March 23, 2026, 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
David Maniscalco	-	Councilman
Dan Bell	-	Councilman

And absent:

Lynette Barks	-	Councilwoman
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Also present were City Manager Steve Clark, City Attorney Curtis Soileau, Police Chief Danny Sullins, City 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 Pro Tem Wahl delivered the Invocation, Councilman Schoen led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Councilman Bell led the Texas Pledge.

Proclamation – Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month (April)

Councilman Schoen read the proclamation for Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month. Cindy Milstead and Monique Stewart with the Hardin County CPS Board, Alicia Jenkerson with the Department of Family and Protective Services, and Sheila McGarity with CASA came forward to accept the proclamation and address the Council regarding child abuse.

Proclamation – American Red Cross Month (March).

Mayor Pro Tem Wahl read the proclamation for American Red Cross Month. Mrs. Kim Cline came forward to thank the Council for the proclamation and to introduce some of the American Red Cross volunteers that were present.

CITIZEN’S PARTICIPATION – MAYOR PRO TEM WAHL PRESIDING

None at this time.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/CITY BUSINESS:

City Engineer, Troy Whitehead announced that a pre-construction meeting for the Hardin County Detention Pond project had been held and a Notice to Proceed has been issued. Construction is set to start April 13, 2026.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

CONSENT AGENDA:

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 9, 2026 PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR MEETING

Councilman Thomas 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:

MONTHLY REPORTS:

Monthly Financial Reports were reviewed at this time.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Proclamation – Proclaiming March as American Red Cross Month

Proclamation – Proclaiming April as Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month

****These items were moved to the beginning 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. Councilman Schoen seconded the Motion. Motion passed unanimously with six (6) for and none (0) against. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

DON SURRATT
MAYOR

ATTEST:

DARLA HARRINGTON
CITY SECRETARY