CITY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

REGULAR MEETING

November 12, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jose G. Solis called meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., on November 12, 2019, in the Lyford City Hall meeting room.

ATTENDANCE

The following members were present:

Mayor	Jose G. Solis
Mayor Pro-tem	Rick Salinas
Commissioner	Tony Chavez
Commissioner	Maggie Quilantan
Commissioner	Avelardo Mireles
Commissioner	Albert Cavazos

STAFF PRESENT

Lydia Moreno	Benito Estrada
Joe Cabrera	Gerald Cantu
Armin Martinez	

AUDIENCE

Alfonso Gonzalez	Jorge Perez
James Harris	Allen Essex
Armando Ramirez	Laura S. Vasquez
Alfonso Gonzalez	Jorge Perez
Ben Vera	Rolando Vela
Gilbert Garcia	Paula Rodriguez
Emilio Vera	Ben Sanchez
Chris Sias	Gilbert Sada

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Cavazos made the motion to approve the Agenda for the Regular Meeting on November 12, 2019. Commissioner Quilantan seconded. All approved and Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Cavazos made the motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on October 14, 2019; Special Meetings on October 18, October 28, and November 4, 2019. Commissioner Mireles seconded. All approved and motion carried.

PUBLIC AUDIENCE:

Mayor presented Proclamation to the Lyford Marching Band.

VISITORS:

1. James Harris III: Oath of Office. Commissioner Salinas made the motion to allow Chief Harris access to the Police Department to review Policies and Procedures. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.

2. Rolando Vela: presentation of consulting services for monetary fee.

3. Armando Ramirez: request for clean up of the city's 40' Road right of way on Gulf and behind his Outlots 87,88,89. City to look into it. Republic Services will not pick up any brush/debris on empty lots unless a dwelling is on it.

4. Gilbert Sada: petition to re-open El Toro Gameroom. Mr. Sada was supposed to meet with city attorney Robert Flores, but Mr. Flores took sick.

5. Jerry Vassberg: Commissioner Salinas made the motion to have Vassberg continue paying the monthly bill until the city comes up with a reason for the high usage. Commissioner Quilantan seconded. All approved and motion carried.

GENERAL FUNCTION

6. TxCDBG-Contract #7218018 Health Clinic: Commissioner Chavez made the motion to approve Change Order #1 in the amount of $116,207.50 ($675,000-116,207.50=$558,792.50). Commissioner Salinas seconded. All approved and motion carried.

7. Discussed the Health Clinic construction permit. City to meet with Fire Marshall Oscar Gutierrez and Code Enforcer Andres Chavez regarding the fire hydrant on FM 498. Commissioner Salinas made the motion to table until such time. Commissioner Quilantan seconded. All approved and motion carried.

8. Commissioner Salinas made the motion to approve pay application to Cornett Construction in the amount of $44,539.12 for substantial completion of sanitary sewer extension along Glen Lofton Avenue. Commissioner Mireles seconded. All approved and motion carried.

9. Discuss the Lyford Outlots 87-89 for Armando Ramirez: it is the recommendation of the city engineer to release construction permit only if the property purchased is platted in accordance

with city ordinance. Commissioner Cavazos made the motion to have Armando Ramirez follow Subdivision Rules and plat property purchased (Lyford Outlots 87-89). Commissioner Mireles seconded. All approved and motion carried.

10. Commissioner Salinas made the motion to approve to hold the Christmas Festivities on Saturday, December 7, 2019; approved to allow to spend not to exceed $2,800.00 for the Christmas Festival. Commissioner Chavez seconded. All approved and motion carried

11. Commissioner Salinas made the motion to approve the Resolution and TxDot Temporary Closure of Road Agreement for the Christmas Parade on December 7, 2019. Commissioner Chavez Seconded. All approved and motion carried.

12. Commissioner Salinas made the motion to approve to attend the Corpus Christi Police impound auction and allow to spend $6,000 from the Capital Improvement Fund. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.

13. Commissioner Salinas made the motion to change payroll from biweekly to weekly starting in December, 2019. Commissioner Quilantan seconded. All approved and motion carried.

14. Commissioner Salinas made the motion to purchase Thanksgiving Turkeys/hams. Commissioner Quilantan seconded. All approved and motion carried.

15. Commissioner Chavez made the motion to approve the utility billing through 10/31/2019. Commissioner Quilantan seconded. All approved and motion carried.

16. Commissioner Quilantan made the motion to approve the monthly bills and any grant payments. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.

**MONTHLY
REPORTS**

17. Lyford Municipal Court monthly activity report presented.

18. Lyford Police Department monthly activity report submitted.

19. Lyford Fire Department monthly activity report presented.

20. Public Works Supervisor monthly activity report presented.

21. Secretary's monthly financial reports presented.

CLOSED SESSION   **Closed Session from 9:10 pm to 10:11 pm**

22. Commissioner Chavez made the motion to accept resignation from Mario Cano effective 12/31/2019. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.

23. Commissioner Salinas made the motion to appoint police chief James Harris as the Emergency Management Coordinator. Commissioner Chavez seconded. All approved and motion carried.

24. Commissioner Salinas made the motion to advertise for a Peace Officer. Commissioner Chavez seconded. All approved and motion carried.

25. Commissioner Salinas made the motion to table the complaint against the Lyford Volunteer Fire Department firefighter until further investigation. Commissioner Mireles seconded. All approved and motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Chavez made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

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City Secretary   **Mayor Jose G. Solis**