

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BODY
OF THE CITY OF LAMPASAS, TEXAS
CALVERT MUNICIPAL BUILDING
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
302 E THIRD STREET
Monday, November 13, 2023
5:30 p.m. Workshop Session
6:00 p.m. Regular Session**

(regular session will begin immediately following workshop and may be called to order prior to 6:00 pm)

The City Council of the City of Lampasas met in Regular Session on the above date and time with Mayor Pearce presiding.

Council Members Present:

Zac Morris
Eric Hernandez
Davis Keele
Charlie Pratus
Cathy Kuehne
Chuck Williamson

City Staff Present:

Finley deGraffenried, City Manager
Becky Sims, City Secretary
Jeff Smith, Fire Chief
Monica Wright, IT Director
Ryan Ward, ACM
Jody Cummings, Police Chief
Stacey Ybarra, EDC Director

Council Members Absent:

N/A

WORKSHOP SESSION

5:30 p.m.

1. Call to order Workshop Session

Mayor Pearce opened the workshop session at 5:30 p.m.

2. Discussion regarding planning and creating an Economic Development Corporation Strategic Plan.

Stacey Ybarra, EDC director invited Council to attend the EDC Meeting on November 15, 2023 to participate in the kickoff meeting for creating a Strategic Plan.

Ms. Ybarra advised there would be 3 phases in developing the plan.

- *Phase 1*
 - *Where are we now?*
 - *Activities*
 - *Benchmark*
 - *Understanding Challenges*
 - *Engage the Community*
 - *Identify Opportunities*
 - *Deliverables*
 - *Community Assessment (SWOT)*
 - *Market and Industry Outlook*
 - *Where do we want to be?*
 - *Activities*
 - *Defined Goals and Outcomes*
 - *Deliverables*
 - *Community and Stakeholder Engagement*
 - *Goal Setting Work Session*
- *Phase 3*
 - *How will we get there?*
 - *Activities*
 - *Strategies are determined*

- Action plan is created with roles, responsibilities and performance metrics
- Deliverables
 - Action Plan
 - Implementations Plan and Tools

3. Discussion regarding any item on the regular agenda

Council member Pratus asked to discuss Item 7.2

7.2 Discussion and possible action regarding voting of individuals for Lampasas Central Appraisal District (LCAD) Board of Directors.

Council member Pratus wanted to clarify how the voting works for the LCAD Board of Directors. Mr. deGraffenried advised Council has 278 votes to vote how they choose, they can go to one nominee, two or a little to all.

4. Adjourn Workshop Session

Council member Pratus moved to adjourn workshop at 5:36 p.m., the motion was seconded by Council member Keele and with a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

REGULAR SESSION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Call to Order

Mayor Pearce called the Regular Session to order at 5:36 p.m.

B. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Jody Cummings, Police Chief gave the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. and Texas flags were recited

C. Presentations and Proclamations

Recognition of two Lampasas Police Officers and Dispatcher for Lifesaving Efforts

- *Officer John Reza*
- *Officer Carlos Rodriguez*
- *Marisa Smith, Dispatcher*

On August 10, 2023, Officer John Reza and Officer Carlos Rodriguez responded to a call for service at a residence located in the City of Lampasas. The reporting party stated that a male subject was not responsive from they believed was a drug overdose. Upon arrival, Officer Carlos Rodriguez found the victim was down and not breathing. He immediately initiated Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) on a 42-year-old male. While Officer Rodriguez administered CPR Officer John Reza administered two doses of Naloxone (Narcan) to the victim. Together they were able to get a return of spontaneous circulation and the victim began breathing on his own. There is no doubt that their actions, and quick decision-making saved this person's life. Officer John Reza and Carlos Rodriguez should be commended for their life-saving efforts and quick thinking.

On the morning of October 03, 2023, a 65-year-old male entered the lobby of the Police Department and stated something about having been stung multiple times by bees and then collapsed onto the floor. Dispatcher Marisa Smith was working dispatch station two and heard the subject when he came in. Dispatcher Smith sprang into action ran into the lobby and administered a dose from the epi pen that the subject had with him but was unable to administer himself. She then stayed with him, talking to him and keeping him calm, until Hamilton EMS and Lampasas Fire Department arrived on scene. It was later learned that this subject has had severe allergic reactions to bee stings in the past, and has previously gone into a coma after having been stung. He did state to EMS crews that he could feel his airway closing prior to the dose of the epi-pen being given. Dispatcher Marisa Smith's recognized the life-threatening situation quickly and her speedy actions prevented this man's airway from closing, potentially causing respiratory and cardiac arrest. Dispatcher Marisa Smith should be commended for her life-saving efforts and quick thinking.

These three received a plaque and letter from the American Police Hall of Fame Museum and letters of commendations from their immediate supervisors for their personnel files.



PUBLIC HEARINGS/CITIZEN COMMENT	
1.1	Citizen comments – Any citizen who desires to address the City Council on a matter not included on the Agenda may do so at this time. The City Council may not deliberate on items presented under this Agenda Item.

There were no citizen comments

1.2	Citizen comments- Any citizen who desires to address the City Council on a matter that is included on the Agenda may do so at this time.
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Nathan Cairl addressed Council regarding Lampasas Central Appraisal District not responding to complaints, not offering any resolution and not following tax code. He asks that Council place all votes on the two new board nominees.

At this time Council moved back to ***Presentations and Proclamations***

Recognition of Becky Sims for completing the Central Texas Council of Governments (CTCOG) Leadership Academy by Judge Randy Hoyer.

Becky Sims, City Secretary recently completed Leadership Central Texas 2023, which is part of the Development District of Central Texas and was hosted by Central Texas Council of Governments. This leadership class is made available to those who have an interest in leadership who live or work within the seven county regions served by CTCOG, which includes Bell, Coryell, Hamilton, Lampasas, Milam, Mills and San Saba counties. This year’s program covered the following topics:

- *Federal, State and Local Government, including services offered through CTCOG*
- *Regional Infrastructure and Social Services*
- *Leadership Opportunities*
- *Entrepreneurship, Economic and Business Development.*



2.0	MINUTES
2.1	Discussion and possible action concerning the approval of minutes of the Regular Meeting held on October 23, 2023.

Council member Williamson moved to approve the minutes as presented; the motion was seconded by Council member Keele; with a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

3.0	CONSENT AGENDA
3.1	Discussion and possible action regarding purchases and charges in excess of \$4,000 from October 1, 2023-October 31, 2023.
3.2	Discussion and possible action to consider the second reading of an Ordinance to rezone .038 acres of land out of the Hillcrest Addition, Lot 1, Block 5 Lampasas, Texas Lampasas County from Two-Family Residential District (Duplex) “SF-2” to Commercial “C”.

Council member Pratus moved to approve the consent agenda as presented; the motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Morris. Mayor Pearce opened the floor for discussion, Council member Hernandez asked if the Watchguard item was an annual purchase, Ms. Moreno, Finance Director advised yes, with no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

4.0	BOARDS/DEPARTMENT REPORTS
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5.0	ROUTINE MATTERS
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5.1	City Manager’s Operational Report
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City Manager deGraffenried reviewed his report:

Eclipse Staff held a check-in meeting on November 2nd in preparation for the upcoming table top exercise on November 15th, as well as the upcoming Town Hall meeting to be held December 13th. The table top exercise is intended to uncover possible holes in the City’s planning through problem solving scenarios for staff to process. The tentative agenda for the Town Hall meeting generally covers City planning to date; expectations for our citizens; and discussion regarding City viewing sites and private events. Staff has also documented and verified all contractor services and equipment providers.

Water With the exception of a little air in our lines causing temporary milky water, the City is back to normal after the main rupture in Kempner last week. With the exception of a few isolated areas, early in the event, most areas of the City maintained water pressure. Staff was able to release stored water in Georgetown Tank to maintain pressure in the lower plain, while also supplying water to the Nix Tank through the Spring Street pump station. In a report received November 8th from Central Texas Water Supply Corporation (“CTWSC”), they noted that the Lakecliff Plant, servicing Lampasas, Kempner and West Bell Water Supply, remains down due to damage received by high flows and debris being washed down stream on October 26th. This week repairs continue on lines, wiring and raw water pumps 6 and 7 (the deepest two raw water pumps). CTWSC also reports that raw water pump 5 has been wired and will be attached to a floating barge with the assistance of divers. The plant remains down, however; CTWSC is hopeful incremental improvements can be made over the next several weeks.

With no objection from Council, Mr. deGraffenried recommends moving to Stage 3 to assist in pushing more water through the system. Council was in agreement.

EMS Report Attached is the Hamilton County Hospital District Emergency Medical Services report for the month of October. Of the 379 total calls for service in Lampasas County areas, 177 were initiated in the City of Lampasas, or 47% of total calls; and 73 calls were related to Rollins Brook transfers. The report includes the Disposition of Calls, Level of Service provided, and Patient Hospital Destinations. Response times are well within targets at 5 minutes 12 seconds for the City of Lampasas.

Hostess House Last week staff received updated floor plans and conceptual re-bid plans for the Hostess House. Staff will provide comment and respond to Reliance this week, and at first glance will offer comment related to some of the exterior work and the re-bid plan. Reliance also

notes continued progress from design and professional sub-contractors in meeting full requirements for the bidding phase.

Chamber Staff passes on information received from the Lampasas County Chamber of Commerce. A Save the Date card has been received for the annual Wild West Casino Night on February 17, 2024. The dinner, auction and gaming event will benefit Vision Lampasas, the Lampasas Lions Club, and the Chamber of Commerce. Information is available on the Chamber website, lampasaschamber.org.

5.2 MAYOR’S COMMENTS

The Mayor had no comments at this evening’s meeting.

6.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

7.0 NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Discussion and selection of the website photo contest winner.

Council member Hernandez moved to select entry #2, the motion was seconded by Council member Pratus and with a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

7.2 Discussion and possible action regarding voting of individuals for Lampasas Central Appraisal District (LCAD) Board of Directors.

Council member Pratus moved to split the votes, 139 votes to Chris Harrison and 139 votes to Bill Peterson, Council member Hernandez seconded the motion, Mayor Pearce opened the floor for discussion. Council member Hernandez asked how many total votes, Mr. deGraffenried advised 5,000. Council member Kuehne advised that she is not in favor of putting all votes to two members. She understands that Ross Oliver would like to stay on the board. Council member Pratus advised that he likes Mr. Oliver and this is not a vote against him, just a vote for two new members. With no further discussion, the motion carried, with Council member Kuehne in opposition.

7.3 Discussion and possible action regarding the approval of the Emergency Water Supply Agreement between the City of Lampasas and Kempner Water Supply Corporation.

Mayor Pro-Tem Morris moved to approve the Emergency Water Supply Agreement between the City of Lampasas and Kempner Water Supply Corporation; the motion was seconded by Council member Hernandez and with a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

7.4 Discussion and possible action regarding the approval of a Wings of Eagles Skate Competition Event at the Lampasas Skate Park December 16, 2023 from Noon-4:00 p.m.

Mayor Pro-Tem Morris moved to approve the Wings of Eagles Skate Competition Event providing the organization secures event insurance; the motion was seconded by Council member Hernandez, and with a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

7.5	Discussion and possible action regarding engineer proposal relating to Water Study for alternative water solutions.
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The proposal was not available for discussion; therefore, Council took no action on this item.

Adjourn- Council member Keele moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:13 p.m., the motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Morris and with a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

PASSED AND APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2023.

Herb Pearce, Mayor

ATTEST

Becky Sims, City Secretary