



City of La Vernia
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
City Council Chambers of La Vernia City Hall
102 E. Chihuahua Street, La Vernia, Texas 78121

May 11, 2017
6:30 PM

Minutes

Members Present: Mayor Gregory, Councilman Cormier, Councilman Doege, Councilwoman Moczygemba, Councilman Schott & Councilwoman Watson

Members Absent: None

1. Call to Order – Mayor Gregory called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM and declared a quorum.

2. Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, and Texas Pledge *Invocation was given by Councilwoman Moczygemba, all in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.*

3. Citizens to be Heard – Mary Friesenhahn stated she found out we have an ordinance for Animal Control. She stated now that she has found it, she needs our assistance for a solution to the animals that are running at large and is requesting that we enforce the ordinance that we have in place.

4. Consent Agenda

(All consent agenda items are considered routine by City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Councilmember requests an item be removed and considered separately.)

- A. Minutes from the April 13, 2017 Regular City Council Meeting
- B. La Vernia Police Department – Reports, Traffic Violations & Arrests; and Number of Occurrences by Offense for the month of April 2017;
- C. Check Register and financial report for the month of April 2017

MOTION: Councilwoman Moczygemba made a motion to accept the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Councilman Schott. **Motion passes: 5-0**

5. Public Hearing

- A. **Public Hearing to receive public comments regarding proposed amendments to the City of La Vernia's Code of Ordinances, Chapter 26 – Signs.**

Public hearing was opened at 6:36 PM and the public hearing was closed 6:37 PM.

6. Ordinances

- A. **Discuss and consider approval of an Ordinance amending Chapter 26 – Signs.**

Gordon Bake, Chairman of the La Vernia Planning & Zoning Committee, stated the commission met several times and reviewed this ordinance on numerous occasions and fine-tuned it. He stated there are so many different shapes, types and sizes and as a group they came to an agreement to recommend to the City Council as being at least a base for the sign ordinance for the City of La Vernia.

MOTION: Councilman Schott made a motion to approve an Ordinance amending Chapter 26-Signs, seconded by Councilwoman Watson. **Motion passes: 5-0**

7. Resolution

A. Discuss and consider approval of a Resolution canvassing the Election returns.

MOTION: Councilman Schott made the motion to approve a resolution canvassing the Election returns, seconded by Councilwoman Watson. **Motion passes: 5-0**

8. Presentations

A. Presentation by Mayor Gregory to outgoing Councilwoman Jennifer Moczygemba.

B. Presentation by Mayor Gregory to outgoing Councilwoman Rhonda Watson.

Mayor Gregory made a presentation to Councilwoman Moczygemba and Watson.

9. Canvass

A. Statement of Officers is completed.

B. Newly elected officers take the Oath of Office

Councilman Doege, Councilman Hennette & Councilman Poore recited the Statement of Office and Oath of Office with Mayor Gregory.

10. Discussion/Action

A. Discuss and consider FY 2017 Street Projects.

Mayor Gregory stated about three years ago an independent contractor came in and did some road work and did a pretty good job. The independent contractor was bought out by his partner and an engineering company came in and had some mix reviews on the chip and seal. Mayor Gregory stated he is not a fan of the chip & seal. He stated it was a lot of money for just a cover up and he thinks that we need to do something that is a little more substantial. Mayor Gregory stated he would like to come back to Council in June with several different options, chip seal he stated he is not a fan of. He stated chip and seal is making repairs, throwing some oil down, laying rock and sweeping it. He stated it's not a long term fix to some roads that really need repair. Mayor Gregory recommended moving it to the June meeting but did not want to go past June.

Councilman Schott stated that over the last three years paid out pretty good engineering fees in which we are being a little bit overly cautious where you come in to a street with no curbs or sidewalks with no drainage issues. He stated never say never on engineers and engineering fees but a lot of these simple jobs that take one thin layer of rock may not be necessary. He stated we are paying for something we do not need.

B. Discuss and consider action accepting the resignation of La Vernia MDD Board President, Jennifer Moczygemba.

MOTION: Councilman Schott makes a motion to accept the resignation of La Vernia MDD Board President, Jennifer Moczygemba, seconded by Councilman Hennette. **Motion passes: 5-0.**

C. Discuss and consider appointing a liaison to the Planning & Zoning Commission Board.

Mayor Gregory stated on this item he really would like to have a discussion with Councilman Poore and Councilman Hennette on what is involved with the boards and to have an understanding on what is going on. He stated he would like to move it to the June meeting.

D. Discuss and consider appointments on the Park & Recreation Commission, La Vernia Municipal Development District & Planning & Zoning Commission.

Mayor Gregory stated he has a couple ideas. He stated we are looking for volunteers to fill these positions and if you have any recommendations to come speak to the City Administrator or himself. Councilman Hennette asked what time the meetings were and stated he may be interested in filling the vacancy. Mayor Gregory stated he spoke with Chairman Bake about the Planning & Zoning Commission and has some potential candidates for the commission.

E. Discuss and consider an additional easement along Warren Street for the new medical plaza

Mayor Gregory stated there was an approval last month but there is additional footage that needs to be approved. Mr. Eilers is requesting an additional easement along Warren St. and that the easement be placed on the City side which will be shy 200 ft. to the end of that easement which will become the schools issue. He also stated they are just requesting to move the poles closer to the little league fence.

MOTION: Councilman Poore made a motion to approve an additional easement along Warren St. for the new medical plaza, seconded by Councilman Schott.

Motion passes: 5-0.

11. Resolution

A. Discuss and consider approval of a resolution appointing a member of the Council to the Canyon Regional Water Authority Board of Trustees for a two-year term of office.

Mayor Gregory stated on this item he really would like to have a discussion with Councilman Poore and Councilman Hennette on what is involved with the boards and to have an understanding on what is going on. He stated he would like to move it to the June meeting.

12. Items Specific to Future Line Items on the Agenda

13. Adjourn – Councilman Cormier made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilman Hennette. The meeting was adjourned at 7:03 PM.



Robert Gregory, City Mayor



Brittani Porter, City Secretary