



City of La Vernia
102 E. Chihuahua St.
La Vernia, Texas 78121
(Council Chambers)
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

April 8, 2021
6:30 PM

Minutes

1. Call to Order – Mayor Pro-Tem called the meeting to order and declared a quorum at 6:30 PM, all members were present.

2. Citizens to be Heard – Pascale Bippert spoke as a whole for the neighborhood behind the Baptist Church, and open a petition or submit a petition for speed bumps on Mulberry St. in regards to the noisy neighbors which drive their vehicles very loudly down the street. She stated that her husband was almost hit as one vehicle flew through the stop sign and nearly hit her husband, Brian. She believes that speed bumps would slow the traffic down. She advised she had also spoke with the Pastor at First Baptist Church and they were all board as well. A petition was provided with 29 signatures to all Council Members. Mr. Brian Bippert did state that the neighborhood is changing, a lot of younger children and some safety measures should be taken. Charlie Trowbridge did speak in regards to the situation and he stated that the issue is that they are trying to deliver a message to the individuals to stop at the stop sign.

3. 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 February 25, 2021 Special City Council Meeting
- B. La Vernia Police Department – Reports, Traffic Violations & Arrests; and Number of Occurrences by Offense for the month of March
- C. Check Register and financial report for the month of March

MOTION: Councilman Oates made the motion to approve the consent agenda with corrections, seconded by Councilwoman Recker. **Motion passed: 5-0.**

4. Proclamation

- A. **Present a proclamation to the Lions Club recognizing their 50th Anniversary**
Mayor Pro-Tem read the proclamation aloud for all to hear.
- B. **A proclamation to Guadalupe Valley Family Violence Shelter, Inc. declaring April as Domestic Violence Awareness & Prevention**
Mayor Pro-Tem read the proclamation aloud for all to hear.
- C. **A proclamation to declare April as the month of Child Abuse Prevention.**
Mayor Pro-Tem read the proclamation aloud for all to hear.
- D. **Present a proclamation to recognize Police Week, May 9th – 15th 2021.**
Mayor Pro-Tem read the proclamation aloud for all to hear.

5. Discussion/Action

A. Discuss and consider recommendation and direction on the following for the Dog Park in La Vernia City Park:

- a) **Construction of the Dog Park** -Mrs. Brummer stated they are going to start some additional construction on the park however Mayor Pro-Tem advised Public Works will be able to work around the fence should it go in first.
- b) **Parking Spaces (2)** – Mayor Pro-Tem stated there is no designated areas of the park that has special parking. Two signs mentioned one is for Little League Officer of the night and Volleyball Director for the nights that they are there in attendance. It is for key personnel there when attending. Mayor Pro-Tem asked if someone was going to be there from the dog park coalition to over see and babysit or just that scenario of the park that is used. Her primary reason was for someone that may have a disability with a dog to utilize that spot. Councilwoman Recker stated that we don't offer any special parking spot for any organization therefore it would show favoritism over one organization to another.
MOTION: Councilman Hennette makes a motion that we do not have two (2) parking spaces, seconded by Councilwoman Recker. **Motion passes: 5-0.**
- c) **Sun Cover**- Mayor Pro-Tem stated council gave very specific direction to the extent of pulling invoices and the direction was aqua blue and what showed up was turquoise. Initially, the Mayor Pro Tem indicated that all work by the City would cease and desist until all proper covering is put up. Mrs. Brummer called Mayor Pro-Tem and asked if she took the cover down could the coalition continue their work. Council said if it was a good faith act they could continue moving forward. Mayor Pro-Tem stated as of last night the turquoise cover was still up. He also advised that Sun Cover is willing to take the turquoise cover back at no charge but to bring down the cover it would be \$700.00 and install the correct color. Mrs. Brummer stated they didn't have the funds at the moment but the cover will be down before the 1st of May.
MOTION: Councilwoman Recker accepts sun cover coming down by the 1st of May or sooner, Councilman Oates seconds with amending to say intent to replace with aquatic blue. **Motion passes: 5-0.**
MOTION: Councilman Hennette motioned to NOT install the temporary cover, seconded by Councilwoman Hutchinson. **Motion passes: 5-0.**
- d) **Color Scheme-**
- e) **Water Line-** Public Works Director stated water line will come straight out towards fence. Council stated that once the cover came off, the water line could proceed.
- f) **Discussion only on items listed within the approved ordinance from 2/25/21-**

B. Discuss and consider action on awarding the street project based on Civil Engineer Consultants recommendation for the 2020-2021 Street Maintenance Project

MOTION: Councilman Hennette made a motion to approve the Street project based on CEC's recommendation to include a header curb on CR 342, seconded by Councilman Oates. **Motion passes: 5-0.**

C. Discuss and consider action on the approval of an GVEC Easement for underground fiber installation located at 440 Bluebonnet Rd (City's Storage/Water Tank)

MOTION: Councilman Oates made a motion to approve the GVEC Easement for underground fiber installation, seconded by Councilman Hennette. **Motion passes: 5-0.**

D. Discuss and consider action on approving the purchase of Commercial grade Tractor for City Park

MOTION: Councilman Hennette made a motion to approve the purchase of a Kubota tractor as quoted by BuyBoard, seconded by Councilwoman Recker. **Motion passes: 5-0.**

E. Discuss and consider action to approve an agreement with the City of La Vernia and La Vernia Market Days.

MOTION: Councilman Hennette made a motion to approve an agreement with the City of La Vernia and La Vernia Market Days, seconded by Councilwoman Recker. **Motion passes: 5-0.**

6. Resolution

A. Discuss and consider action on approval of Resolution No. 040821-01 CRWA to appoint Mayor Robert Gregory to the Board of Trustees of the Canyon Regional Water Authority (CRWA).

MOTION: Councilman Hennette made a motion to approve appointing Robert Gregory to the Board of Trustees of CRWA, seconded by Councilman Oates. **Motion passes: 5-0.**

B. Discuss and consider action on approval of Resolution No. 040821-02 CRWA appoint David Mahula to the Board of Trustees of the Canyon Regional Water Authority (CRWA).

MOTION: Councilman Hennette made a motion to approve appointing David Mahula to the Board of Trustees of CRWA, seconded by Councilman Oates. **Motion passes: 5-0.**

C. Discuss and consider action on approval of Resolution No 040821-03 to contribute matching funds to the Floresville Electric Light and Power System for the 2021 Summer Youth Program.

MOTION: Councilman Hennette made a motion to approve contributing matching funds with FELPS to the La Vernia Library for the 2021 Summer Youth Program, seconded by Councilwoman Recker. **Motion passes: 5-0.**

D. Discuss and consider action on approval of Resolution No 040821-04 to enter into an agreement with La Vernia Market Days for the use of City property for mule rides.

MOTION: Councilman Oates made a motion to enter into an agreement with La Vernia Market Days for the use of City property for mule rides, seconded by Councilwoman Hutchinson. **Motion passes: 5-0.**

7. Items Specific to Future Line Items on the Agenda

- Speed bumps along Mulberry, Dr. Martin and in front of Church (First Baptist Church)



A Proclamation by the Mayor-Pro Tem
Honoring La Vernia Lions Club for 50 years of service

WHEREAS, In 1917, business leader Melvin Jones of Chicago encouraged members of his local business clubs to think outside the box and focus on the community as much as they focused on their businesses. This developed into an organization known as Lions Club International that can be found around the world today; and

WHEREAS, Since 1971 the La Vernia Lions Club has been dedicated to making a difference by enriching the lives they serve and providing assistance through volunteering. The La Vernia Lions Club is a diverse group of members who are committed to serving our local community; and

WHEREAS, The La Vernia Lions club members participate in fundraising to support many projects. The money raised through this fundraising is used for scholarships for graduating high school seniors, food and monetary donations to the local food pantry, school supplies for needy students, monthly bingo at the local nursing home, vision and eyeglass support for the visually impaired, and sponsorships for area children so that they may attend, without charge, the Texas Lions Camp for children who have physical disabilities, hearing/vision impairments, cancer and Type 1 diabetes from the State of Texas, regardless of race, religion, or national origin; and

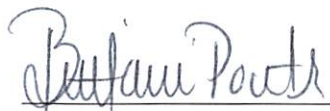
WHEREAS, on April, 13th 2021 we will celebrate their 50th year of outstanding service to the community. It is appropriate on this special occasion to call the attention of the public to this event.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARTIN POORE, MAYOR PRO-TEM, AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF LA VERNIA, do hereby commend the La Vernia Lions Club on 50 years of dedicated service to our community.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of La Vernia, Texas to be affixed at City Hall in La Vernia this 8th day of April, 2021.



Mayor Pro-Tem




City Secretary

- Ordinance change on Dog Park
- Meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 12th to meeting Secretary of State Election Guidelines

8. Adjourn – Councilman Hennette made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Councilman Oates. All members were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 8:23 PM.



Brittani Porter, City Secretary



Martin Poore, Mayor Pro-Tem

