



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

June 13, 2019  
6:30 PM

**Minutes**

**1. Call to Order** – Mayor Gregory called the meeting to order and declared a quorum. All members were present.

**2. Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, and Texas Pledge** (*Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible*).

**3. Citizens to be Heard** – There were no citizens to be heard.

**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 May 9, 2019 Regular City Council Meeting
- B. La Vernia Police Department – Reports, Traffic Violations & Arrests; and Number of Occurrences by Offense for the month of May 2019;
- C. Check Register and financial report for the month of May 2019

**MOTION:** Councilman Cormier made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Councilwoman Recker. **Motion passes: 5-0.**

**5. Public Hearing**

- A. **Public Hearing to receive public comments regarding granting a Specific Use Permit request to provide U-Haul auto and trailer rentals to the public located at 13562 US Hwy 87 W, La Vernia, Texas 78121**

The public hearing was opened at 6:31 PM. No one came forward to speak; the public hearing was closed at 6:32 PM.

**6. Discussion/Action**

- A. **Discuss and consider the appointment of Mayor Pro-Tem.**  
**Mayor Gregory asked Councilman Cormier to serve as Mayor Pro-Tem.**

**Motion:** Councilman Hennette made the motion to recommend Councilman Cormier as Mayor Pro-Tem, seconded by Councilwoman Recker. **Motion passes: 5-0.**

- B. **Discuss and consider action on awarding the bid for the Street Maintenance Project.**

Gary Freeland from M & S Engineering spoke on behalf of the Street Maintenance Project. He stated that an evaluation was done on the contractor and based on the

information provided to include previous work done in the City, their recommendation to Council was to award the bid to All In Construction.

**MOTION:** Councilman Hennette made a motion to award the contract to All In Construction, seconded by Councilwoman Recker. **Motion passes: 5-0.**

**C. Discuss and consider action on entering into negotiations on proposed solid waste contract.**

Republic, Tiger and Waste Connections were the three solid waste contracts provided to the City. Each were given a 15 block to speak on their services. Mayor Gregory stated based on the conversation in Executive Session, a committee would be formed, bring compelling points to the table in which each would be contacted by phone or come into the office to further discuss. A consensus would be made to award the solid waste contract at the July meeting. No action.

**D. Discuss and consider action on License Plate reader for Police Department**

Chief Ritchey provided a small presentation in packets and advised this software would aide in stolen cars, wanted persons, amber alerts and silver alerts. Software would be \$2K annually that includes the installation of the readers. Looking at leasing two, both being placed at the main entrances coming into the city.

**E. Discuss and consider action on Contract Change Order – Logo**

**MOTION:** Councilman Hennette made the motion to approve the logo and 50 day extension, seconded by Councilwoman Hutchinson. **Motion passes: 5-0.**

**F. Discuss and consider action on updated Drought Contingency Plan**

Mayor Gregory stated that he spoke with the attorney prior to the meeting and advised we needed to approve the Drought Contingency Plan in an Ordinance since there are penalties and TCEQ regulations. He stated since our primary source is our Water Wells, we needed to update this: He advised this item will be brought back at the July meeting. No action.

**G. Discuss and consider action on revisions of residential building permit fee with Bureau Veritas.**

**MOTION:** Councilman Poore made the motion on revisions of residential building permit fee with Bureau Veritas, seconded by Councilman Hennette. **Motion passes: 5-0.**

**7. Ordinances**

**A. Discuss and consider action on Ordinance No. 061319-01 granting a Specific Use Permit to provide U-Haul auto and trailer rentals to the public located at 13562 US Hwy 87 W, La Vernia, Texas 78121.**

**MOTION:** Councilman Hennette made a motion to approve Ordinance 061319-01 granting a Specific Use Permit to provide U-Haul auto and trailer rentals, seconded by Councilman Poore. **Motion passes: 4-1.**

**8. Resolutions**

**A. Discuss and consider action on Resolution 061319-01 to modify the fee schedule for residential building permits**

City Administrator advised due to the recent changes in Legislature, HB 2439 specifically, it called for a change in our resolutions. This line item also reflects on #5G.

**MOTION:** Councilman Hennette made a motion to approve Resolution 061319-01 to modify the fee schedule for residential building permits, seconded by Councilman Poore.  
**Motion passes: 5-0.**

**9. Discussion Only**

**A. Project update:**

- a. **Water Tower** – discussed during Item E.
- b. **Water Line Extension** – waiting for survey from Engineers, looking to discuss during August meeting.


**B. Comprehensive Plan** – currently working on changes, adding land use map, currently backed up about 2 months for 2<sup>nd</sup> Public Hearing.

**C. Budget Calendar** – City Administrator advised looking to hold 1<sup>st</sup> meeting July 22<sup>nd</sup>

**10. Items Specific to Future Line Items on the Agenda**

**11. Adjourn** – Councilman Poore made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilman Hennette. Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.

  
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Brittani Porter, City Secretary

  
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Robert Gregory, Mayor

