



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

December 10, 2020
6:30 PM

Minutes

1. Call to Order- Mayor Gregory called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM and declared a quorum. Members absent: Councilman Hennette.

2. Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, and Texas Pledge – Invocation was led by Councilwoman Recker and all in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge.

3. Citizens to be Heard – Mrs. Kasie Tankersley, President of Greater Chamber of Commerce and GVEC employee, came to introduce herself to Council not only as a new citizen of La Vernia but to also notify them about the upcoming Chamber Mixer on Tuesday and elections in which she hopes to be re-elected.

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 November 12, 2020 Regular City Council Meeting
- B. La Vernia Police Department – Reports, Traffic Violations & Arrests; and Number of Occurrences by Offense for the month of November
- C. Check Register and financial report for the month of November
- D. Quarterly Investment Report

MOTION: Councilman Oates made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Councilwoman Hutchinson. Motion passes: 4-0.

5. Presentation

A. Presentation to La Vernia Police Department.

La Vernia Police Chief Ritchey, Officers Hank Fahnart, Billy Werner, Joe Valdez and C.J. Markgraf were all commended on their exemplary performances on November 24th. Chief thanked all officers for everyone's safety, no car wrecks and used good conscious efforts to not put themselves in harms way.

B. Presentation by Chief Bruce Ritchey regarding gas station skimmers.

Chief stated that we purchased gas station skimmers as it is a way to monitor the gas pumps and it is advertisement and public relations for the community as it is a way to ensure the gas pumps are not being scammed.

6. Discussion/Action

A. Discuss and consider action on Interlocal Agreement with La Vernia ISD in regards to 2010 Ford Crown Victoria.

Mayor Gregory stated that the school has stated they could use it. This would strictly be for school services only and to be used by La Vernia ISD. Chief Ritchey did state all decals would be removed from the vehicle.

MOTION: Councilwoman Recker made a motion to approve Interlocal Agreement with La Vernia ISD in regards to 2010 Ford Crown Victoria, seconded by Councilman Oates.
Motion passes: 4-0.

B. Discuss and consider action on Dog Park and location.

Mayor Gregory stated he has had several conversations with the committee. Couple of mentioned to them:

1. Main location of dog park to be in the back secondary option in front
2. Approx looking at 210 ft. x 80 ft for large and small dog area

Mayor Gregory stated has to be funded by donations and any way and where we can help would be appreciated by committee.

MOTION: Councilman Oates makes amotion to accept the location in the back corner of the park and all funds are to be raised by them and not the City. Seconded by Councilwoman Recker. **Motion passed: 4-0.**

7. Ordinance

A. Discuss and consider action on adopting Ord. No. 121020-01 for 65 and over/disability tax exemption.

MOTION: Councilman Poore made a motion to approve Ord. No. 121020-01 for 65 and over/disability tax exemption, seconded by Councilwoman Hutchinson. **Motion passes: 4-0.**

8. Resolution

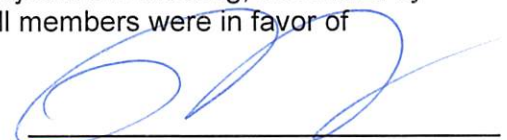
A. Discussion and consider action on amending sewer rates to include averaging.

Mayor Gregory stated we would be moving this to next months meeting as attorney's recommended an Ordinance amending the Code verses a resolution. No action.

9. Items Specific to Future Line Items on the Agenda

None at this time.

10. Adjourn – Councilwoman Recker made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilwoman. Meeting was adjourned at 7:18 PM and all members were in favor of adjournment.



Robert Gregory, Mayor

ATTEST:


Brittani Porter, City Secretary

