## September 9, 2019

The City Council of the City of Lavaca met for a regular monthly meeting Monday September 9, 2019, at City Hall in Lavaca. Board members present were Mayor Hugh Hardgrave; Aldermen: Mike Ray, Rick Edgerton, Gerald Schaefer(arrived late), Dale Teague, Benny Hunter, attorney John Verkamp, and Recorder Shelly Hockaday. Lorie Robertson was absent. Visitors present were Butch Maness, Ken VanDusen, Jack James, Paul Sanders, Randy Toon and Renee Myers.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P. M. Mike Ray led the Pledge of Allegiance and Hugh Hardgrave said the prayer.

The Council approved the minutes of the August regular meeting. (RE/MR) Gerald Schaefer was not present for the vote.

Council members reviewed the report from the Police Dept. The Department answered 323 calls in August. LPD issued 13 traffic tickets, 3 criminal tickets, and 18 warnings. There were 5 arrests made in the month of August.

Council members reviewed the report from the Fire Dept. The Department responded to 20 first responder calls, 3 fire calls, 2 accidents, and several calls due to flooding. The fire dept raised 2,197.47 for MDA during the Lavaca Fill the Boot Campaign.

After much discussion Gerald Schaefer made a motion to award the bid for Shae Park Improvements to the low bidder, Silco Construction in the amount of \$128,852.50. This will be for the 1<sup>st</sup> phase of park improvements. The City of Lavaca was awarded a 50/50 matching funds grant for \$250,000 that was received from the Arkansas Department of Parks & Tourism for this project. Mike Ray seconded this motion and the vote was: Mike Ray –Yes, Gerald Schaefer – Yes, Rick Edgerton – No, Dale Teague – Yes, Benny Hunter – Yes. Motion passed.

The Council voted to pay the bills for the month of September. (BH/ MR)

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor

Attest: Recorder