October 11, 2021

The City Council of the City of Lavaca met for a regular monthly meeting Monday October 11, 2021, at City Hall in Lavaca. Board members present were Mayor Hugh Hardgrave, City Attorney John Verkamp, and Aldermen: Mike Ray, Rick Edgerton, Gerald Schaefer, Lorie Robertson, Benny Hunter, Dale Teague and Recorder Shelly Hockaday. Visitors present were Paul Sanders, Cindy Swain, Scott McDonald, Dwayne Wallace and Randy Toon.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P. M. Paul Sanders led the Pledge of Allegiance and Mayor Hardgrave led the prayer.

The Council approved the minutes of the September regular meeting. (RE/DT)

Council members reviewed the report from the Police Dept. The Department answered 449 calls in September. LPD issued 6 tickets and 9 warnings. There was 1 arrest made in the month of September.

Council members reviewed the report from the Fire Dept. They responded to 2 vehicle accidents, 3 structure fires, 1 power line down call and 23 EMS calls in September.

Council members reviewed a resolution authorizing full and part time City hourly employees premium pay of \$1200 each from the American Rescue Plan Funds (ARPA). Gerald Schaefer made a motion to approve the resolution. Mike Ray seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Council members reviewed an ordinance to set the salary for elected officials. Dale Teague made a motion to table this till the November meeting so changes could be made in the ordinance. Gerald Schaefer seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Council members reviewed a lot split request for 2009 Horne Street. Benny Hunter made a motion to approve the lot split. Mike Ray seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Council members reviewed a rezoning request for 1410 W. Main Street. After discussion Mr. Verkamp advised he will need to look into this further and create a proposed ordinance for the rezoning. Mike Ray made a motion to table this item till November. Rick Edgerton seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Council members discussed the purchase of Lot – 89A Butler Addition. Gerald Schaefer made a motion to give the City of Lavaca authority to bid online up to \$1500.00 to try and purchase this property. Mike Ray seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Council members reviewed an ordinance assessing a 5.0 mill tax on real and personal property within the corporate limits of the City of Lavaca for 2021. Dale Teague made a motion to introduce the ordinance. Lorie Robertson seconded the motion and all voted in favor. After a reading by title only Dale Teague made a motion to suspend the rules for 2nd and 3rd readings. Lorie Robertson seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Dale Teague then made a motion to adopt the ordinance. Rick Edgerton seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Ordinance was adopted.

Council members discussed selling the 2009 tanker truck. Dale Teague made a motion to give Paul Sanders the authority to pursue the sale with other agencies that are interested as long as we get our investment back out of it when sold. Mike Ray seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Rick Edgerton made a motion to pay the bills for the month of October. Dale Teague seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

With no further business on the agenda, meeting was adjourned. (DT/LR)

Mayor

Attest: Recorder