

Thursday August 19, 2021, Regular Meeting 6:30 PM

The City Council of the City of Robert Lee, Texas met in regular session at the Vision with A Purpose Event Center at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Mayor Jason Moran, Council Members: Tracy Grantham, Josh Tennison, David Lewis, Jonathan Torres, Daniel Jasso, & City Attorney Jeff Betty

Call to Order, Quorum Determined, Meeting Declared Open at 6:30 PM

Proclamations and Presentations

Presentations by

GrantWorks – Consider company to be grant writer administrators for the City of Robert Lee

TX Dept. of Agriculture Grants – Grant Opportunities for City Projects

Alamo One – Consider company for Sanitation Services

Citizen Comments – None

Council exits for executive session with City Attorney Jeff Betty at 6:59 PM

Council Returns from executive session at 7:52 PM

Consent Agenda:

A. Minutes - July 15, 2021 & July 22, 2021

B. ACO Reports

C. Ordinance Enforcement Report

D. Municipal Court Report

E. Financial Report

Motion by Council Member David Lewis to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Council Member Jonathan Torres. Vote 5-0, motion carries.

Regular Agenda: Council may discuss and/or act on the following items:

A. GrantWorks Presentation

(Moved to Presentations)

B. American Rescue Plan

C. Texas Department of Agriculture Grant Presentation

(Moved to Presentations)

D. Alamo One Presentation

(Moved to Presentations)

E. Vision with A Purpose Agreement

Discussion: Vision with a Purpose would like to place poles on either side of Hwy 158 to raise signs over the highway to advertise for city wide events. One side of the highway is a privately owned property while the other side is at Fern Haven's Park.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Tracy Grantham to approve of the Pole Lease Agreement with Vision with A Purpose. Seconded by Council Member Daniel Jasso. Vote 5-0, motion carries.

F. RLVFD Agreement

Discussion: Council would like to table this item until they can get more legal advice pertaining this agreement.

G. Appoint Tax Assessor – 2021

Motion by Council Member David Lewis to appoint Josie Dean as the Tax Assessor for the City of Robert Lee. Seconded by Council Member Josh Tennison. Vote 5-0, motion carries.

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H. Animal Control Officer Discussion

Motion by Council Member Jonathan Torres to terminate the current ACO contracts with current contractors. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Tracy Grantham. Vote 5-0, motion carries. Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Tracy Grantham to allow Mayor Moran to hire for the part-time positions for Animal Control. Seconded by Council Member David Lewis. Vote 5-0, motion carries.

I. Update on Legal Issues

Updates Provided in Executive Session

J. 1337 - Municipal Court Ordinance - 2nd Reading

Motion by Council Member Josh Tennison to approve of the 2nd reading for Ord. 1337, Municipal Court Fees. Seconded by Council Member David Lewis. Vote 5-0, motion carries.

K. 1338 - FY 21-22 Budget Amendment - 2nd Reading

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Tracy Grantham to approve of the second reading Ord. 1338, Budget Amendment FY 20-21. Seconded by Council Member David Lewis. Vote 5-0, motion carries.

L. 1339 - Final Budget Amendment FY 20-21 - 1st Reading

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Tracy Grantham to approve of the first reading of Ord. 1339, Final Budget Amendment FY 20-21. Seconded by Council Member Josh Tennison. Vote 5-0, motion carries.

M. 1342 - Sewer Rates & Tap - 1st Reading

Discussion: 5% increase across all sewer charges, tap increased from \$175 to \$400. Roughly a \$5000 increase in the Sewer fund in the next fiscal year.

Motion by Council Member Daniel Jasso to approve of the first reading for Ord. 1342, Sewer Fees and Taps. Seconded by Council Member David Lewis. Vote 5-0, motion carries.

N. Resolution 1343- Nominate Appraisal District Board

Motion by Council Member Daniel Jasso to approve of Resolution 1343 appointing Council Members Tracy Grantham and David Lewis to the Tax Appraisal District Board. Seconded by Council Member Josh Tennison. Vote 5-0, motion carries.

O. TML Training

Discussion: Annual TML Seminar will be hosted in Houston this year, it is strongly encouraged that a representative from the city attend this seminar. Mayor and Secretary will attend. Staff would prefer to fly; cost would be cheaper than reimbursing for driving.

P. Curbside Cleanup

Motion by Council Member Tracy Grantham to allow the office to schedule a Curbside Cleanup for October. Seconded by Council Member Daniel Jasso. Vote 5-0, motion carries.

Q. City Hall Internet Services

Discussion: Phones at City Hall function on the internet services. The call quality is very poor, customers have a hard time understanding the office. Issue lies with current internet provider. Consider a different provider to resolve quality issues.

R. Street Affair

Discussion: There is money budgeted in events, consider paying for a service. Will talk more with organization to find out what they need. Council suggested a tent for shade and a place to eat.

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S. Property Bid 1 - r000000069

Council Member Daniel Jasso recused himself from item due to conflict of interest with the buyer.

Motion by Council Member Jonathan Torres to approve of property bid #1 for the amount of \$4,265.00. Seconded by Council Member Josh Tennison. Vote 4-0, motion carries.

T. Property Bid 2 - 856211 Lake Spence Estates

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Tracy Grantham to approve of property bid #2 for the amount of \$2,160.00. Second by Council Member David Lewis. Vote 5-0, motion carries.

U. Property Bid 3 - 856311 Lake Spence Estates

Motion by Council Member Jonathan Torres to approve of property bid #3 for the amount of \$1740.00. Seconded by Council Member Josh Tennison. Vote 5-0, motion carries.

V. Property Bid 4 - R472

Motion by Council Member Jonathan Torres to approve of property bid #4 for the amount of \$2630.00. Seconded by Council Member Josh Tennison. Vote 5-0, motion carries.

Reports

Mayor

Clayton Crooks Construction started at City Hall; contract signed. Start date August 19, 2021, and the end date is September 24, 2021.

Secretary

- A. 2022 Proposed Budget- Coke Co. Appraisal District
For Council to review, no action needed
- B. Animal Control Training Update
- C. TML Annual Seminar

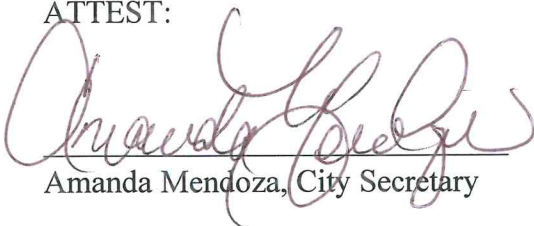
Superintendent

38 Work Orders
1 water leak with about 50K water loss
1 tank overflow due to automation failure. Failure was promptly addressed and solved. 50K-70K water loss
1 sewer stop, issue resolved
Sewer Project fixed behind Bella B's
Water issues resolved at Cemetery

Adjournment

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Tracy Grantham to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting at 8:59 PM. Seconded by Council Member David Lewis. Vote 5-0, motion carries.

ATTEST:


Amanda Mendoza, City Secretary


Jason Moran, Mayor