

MINUTES

THE CITY OF LOMETA

COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN CITY HALL
100 E SAN SABA ST, LOMETA TX 76853
512-752-3331

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2022

7 P.M.

THE SUBJECTS TO BE DISCUSSED, CONSIDERED, OR ACTED UPON ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- I. **CALL TO ORDER.** Mayor Stephen Brister Hicks called the meeting to order at 7:01p.m.
- II. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Mayor Stephen Brister Hicks led council and guest in pledging allegiance to the American and Texas Flag.
- III. **INVOCATION:** Chief Cantu led council and guest in prayer.
- IV. **ROLL CALL:**
 1. **Mayor**, Stephen Brister Hicks PRESENT
 2. **Councilmember**, Doug Brister ABSENT
 3. **Councilmember**, James Dickison PRESENT
 4. **Councilmember**, Marsha Laughlin ABSENT
 5. **Councilmember**, Ronnie Cartwright PRESENT
 6. **Councilmember**, Johnny Towerton PRESENT
- V. **ACCEPTING RESIGNATION OF COUNCILMEMBER MARSHA LAUGHLIN.** A motion was made by James Dickison with a second by Johnny Towerton to accept the resignation of councilmember Marsha Laughlin. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
- VI. **REVIEW AND ACCEPT THE MINUTES FOR THE MARCH 7, 2022 REGULAR MEETING.** A motion was made by James Dickison with a second by Ronnie Cartwright to accept the minutes for the March 2022 regular meeting. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
- VII. **REVIEW, RATIFY AND ACCEPT THE BILLS PAID DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH 2022.** A motion was made by James Dickison with a second by Johnny Towerton to accept the bills for the month March 2022. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
- VIII. **OPEN FORUM:**

Citizens are welcome to speak about any subject matter, even if it is not on the agenda, for up to three (3) minutes during open forum. *If you need more time, please contact the City Secretary in advance.* Please keep in mind that council action cannot and will not be taken during open forum. For such an item, the Council may either: (1) make a statement of fact, (2) make a statement concerning the policy regarding the item or (3) propose that the item be placed on a future agenda.

 - i. Property owner, Chris Leslie spoke in advance upon line item 2 of new business.
- IX. **BUSINESS** Note: Agenda items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on the meeting notice.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Discuss and take action by approving the Revised Employee Handbook, effective April 4, 2022.** A motion was made by Ronnie Cartwright with a second by Johnny Towerton to approve the Revised Employee Handbook effective April 4, 2022. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

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NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Discuss and take action by passing Resolution 04042022 rescinding the engineer award to Tabor and Associates, Inc. for Texas Department of Agriculture CDBG CDV21-0002.** A motion was made by Ronnie Cartwright with a second by Johnny Towerton to pass Resolution 04042022 rescinding the engineer award to Tabor and Associates, Inc. for Texas Department of Agriculture CDBG CDV21-0002. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
- 2. Discuss and take action regarding a citizen's property which does not have street access and discuss whether the City will allow and assist in providing access to such property.** A motion was made by James Dickison with a second by Johnny Towerton to have city maintenance clear access for the property owner to gain access to his property. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
- 3. Discuss and consider the reappointment of Honorable Sharon Watson as Municipal Court Judge for an additional two-year term from 2022 to 2024.** A motion was made by Ronnie Cartwright with a second by James Dickison to proceed to develop an Ordinance to reappoint Honorable Sharon Watson as Municipal Court Judge for 2022-2024. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
- 4. Discuss and consider pouring a concrete pad for a landing zone at the Lometa Regional Park paid for from ARPA funds.** A motion was made by Ronnie Cartwright with a second by James Dickison to table this item until the May 2022 meeting. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

X. REPORTS: MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS, WHEN NECESSARY.

MAYOR:

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

CHIEF OF POLICE: Monthly Reports

CITY SECRETARY:

MUNICIPAL COURT: Monthly Reports

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Monthly Run Reports

- XI. ADJOURN:** A motion was made by Johnny Towerton with a second by James Dickison to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 p.m. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

APPROVED:

Stephen Brister Hicks

Mayor Stephen Brister Hicks
Date: May 2, 2022

ATTEST:

Lindsey Grant

Lindsey Grant, City Secretary

