

THE STATE OF TEXAS }
COUNTY OF DAWSON }
CITY OF LAMESA }

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING:

May 17, 2022

On this the 17th day of May 2022, at 5:30 P.M., there came on and was held a regularly called meeting of the City Council of the City of Lamesa, Dawson County, Texas. Notice of such meeting having been posted at the City Hall at 601 South First Street in the City of Lamesa, Texas in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act (Texas Govt. Code, Chapter 551). The following items were listed on the notice and the following proceedings were had, viz.:

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Stevens announced that the meeting was being held in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act (Texas Govt. Code, Chapter 551), and that discussion and actions are limited to the agenda items as posted. A quorum being present as evidenced by the presence 5 City Council Members were present:

JOSH STEVENS	Mayor
MORGAN VERMILLION	Council Member – District 1
FRED VERA	Council Member – District 2 MAYOR PRO-TEM(ABSENT)
GLORIA V. RODRIGUEZ	Council Member – District 3 Oath of Office Mayor Pro Tem
DANNY JACOBS	Council Member - District 4
BOBBY G. GONZALES	Council Member – District 5
RUDY SAUSEDA JR.	Council Member – District 6 Oath of Office

City staff members present at the meeting:

JOE HINES	CITY MANAGER
BETTY CONDE	CITY SECRETARY
RUSSELL CASSELBERRY	CITY ATTORNEY

Members of the press present at the meeting:

Mary Elizabeth

Members of the public present at the meeting:

Wayne Chapman	Sandy Trevino	Bob Henderson
Josh Peterson	Carter T. Schildknecht	
Morgan Verette	Robin Wiley	Mona Ferguson
Ashley Tidwell	Elizabeth Sauseda	James Sauseda

Sylvia Sauseda

INVOCATION: Josh Stevens

CONSENT AGENDA: All consent agenda items listed are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda. Information concerning consent agenda items is available for public review.

- a. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:** Approval of the minutes of the City Council regular meeting held on April 19, 2022.
- b. **BILLS FOR APRIL 2022:** Approval of the bills paid by the City of Lamesa for the month of April 2022.

Motion by Council Member Bobby Gonzales to approve Items 3a & b. Motion seconded by Council Member Morgan Vermillion and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

VOTING: "AYE" 5 "NAY" "ABSTAIN"

OATH OF OFFICE – MAYOR: The city attorney to administer Oath of Office to the Mayor of the City of Lamesa.

City Attorney administered the Oath.

CANVASS CITY SPECIAL ELECTION RETURNS: Canvass of votes and tabulation of the returns for the May 7, 2022 City Special Election and the tabulation of the returns for the petition requesting a recount on Monday, May 16, 2022, passing a Resolution declaring winner.

Motion by Council Member Gloria V. Rodriguez to pass a resolution canvassing the returns of the May 7, 2022 City of Lamesa Special Election and the results from the recount on Monday 17, 2022, declaring Rudy Sauseda Jr. winner of the May 7, 2022 Special Election. Motion seconded by Council Member Bobby Gonzales and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

VOTING: "AYE" 5 "NAY" "ABSTAIN"

OATH OF OFFICE - NEWLY ELECTED COUNCIL MEMBER: The City attorney to administer Oath of Office to the newly-elected Council Member from the May 7, 2022 City Special Election. *(City Attorney)*

City Attorney administered the Oath.

ELECTION OF MAYOR PRO-TEM: The City Council to elect Mayor Pro-tem for a one-year term of office. *(Rotation for Mayor Pro Tem Morgan Vermillion) (City Council)*

Gloria V. Rodriguez was nominated for the office of Mayor Pro-Tem by Council Member Bobby Gonzales; Josh Stevens moved that nominations cease.

VOTING: "AYE" 5 "NAY" "ABSTAIN"

OATH OF OFFICE - MAYOR PRO-TEM: The city attorney to administer the oath of office to the newly elected Mayor Pro-Tem. *(City Attorney)*

City Attorney administered the Oath.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LAMESA, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF THE LAMESA RECOVERY PLAN ASSOCIATED WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CITY OF LAMESA AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) – CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS (CLFRF) ALLOCATION: The City Council to consider approving the Lamesa Recovery Plan associated with the implementation of the City of Lamesa American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) – Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (CLFRF) Allocation.

Motion by Council Member Morgan Vermillion to approve resolution approving the Recovery Plan associated with the implementation of the American Rescue Plan Act – Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds. Motion seconded by Council Member Gloria V. Rodriguez and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

VOTING: "AYE" 6 "NAY" "ABSTAIN"

BUDGE AMENDMENT IV: City Council to consider amending Ordinance O-22-21 on second reading with respect to the budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2022. *This budget amendment reflects the proceeds from Texas Municipal League Insurance (City Manager & Finance Director)*

Motion by Council Member Bobby Gonzales to amend Ordinance O-22-21 on second reading with respect to the budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2022. Motion seconded by Council Member Danny Jacobs and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

VOTING: "AYE" 6 "NAY" "ABSTAIN"

BUDGET AMENDMENT V: City Council to consider amending Ordinance O-22-21 on second reading with respect to the budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2022. *This budget amendment reflects the proceeds from the sale of scrap metal. (City Manager & Finance Director)*

Motion by Council Member Danny Jacobs to amend Ordinance O-22-21 on second reading with respect to the budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2022. Motion seconded by Council Member Morgan Vermillion and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

VOTING: "AYE" 6 "NAY" "ABSTAIN"

CALL FOR BIDS ON LEASE OF CITY PROPERTY: Consider approval of a call for bids for a lease of two (2) years beginning May 1, 2022 and ending March 31st, 2023 with up to three (3) one-year options, for the following City-owned property:

- Tract "A":** Approximately 168 acres of land surrounding the city's sewer treatment plant, lagoons, and sanitary landfill; and
 - Tract "B":** Approximately 34 acres out of the West 120 acres of the South ½ of Section 17, Block 35, T-5-N, off of Radio Road.
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Motion by Council Member Morgan Vermillion to consider approval of a call for bids for a lease of two (2) years beginning May 1, 2022 and ending March 31st, 2024 with up to three (3) one-year options, for the following City-owned property:

- Tract "A":** Approximately 168 acres of land surrounding the city's sewer treatment plant, lagoons, and sanitary landfill; and
- Tract "B":** Approximately 34 acres out of the West 120 acres of the South ½ of Section 17, Block 35, T-5-N, off of Radio Road.

Motion seconded by Council Member Bobby Gonzales and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

VOTING: "AYE" 6 "NAY" "ABSTAIN"

DECLARE REGULARLY CALLED MEETINGS CALENDAR: City Council to declare regularly called meetings for the following dates:

- **June 13, 2022 (Monday) Regular Council Meeting – Budget Workshop #1**
- **June 15, 2022 (Wednesday) Regular Council Meeting – Budget Workshop #2**
- **June 20, 2022 (Monday) Regular Council Meeting – Budget Workshop #3**
- **June 21, 2022 (Tuesday) Regular Council Meeting – Budget Workshop #4**
- **July 19, 2022 (Tuesday) Regular Council Meeting**
- **August 2, 2022 (Monday) Regular Council Meeting – Present Certified Tax Roll, Effective Tax Rate, Rollback Rate and Set Proposed Tax Rate with RECORD VOTE and Set Public Hearing Dates**
- **August 16, 2022 (Tuesday) Regular Council Meeting**
- **August 18, 2022 (Thursday) Regular Council Meeting – Public Hearing on Budget and 1st Reading of Budget Ordinance with RECORD VOTE and**

1st

- Public Hearing on Tax Rate
- **August 23, 2022 (Tuesday) Regular Council Meeting – 2nd Reading of Budget Ordinance with RECORD VOTE, 2nd Public Hearing on Tax Rate**
- **August 30, 2022 (Tuesday) Regular Council Meeting – Ratify Tax Rate**
- Reflected in the Budget, 1st
- Reading of Ordinances for Tax Rate with RECORD VOTE (I&S, M&O and Total)
- **September 6, 2022 (Tuesday) Regular Council Meeting – 2nd**
- Reading of Ordinance for Tax Rate with RECORD VOTE (I&S, M&O and Total)
- **September 13, 2022 (Tuesday) Regular Council Meeting to be cancelled.**

Motion by Council Member Bobby Gonzales to approve the declare regularly scheduled meetings. Motion seconded by Council Member Morgan Vermillion and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

VOTING: "AYE" 6 "NAY" "ABSTAIN"

CITY STAFF REPORTS:

- c. **PARKS, STREETS, SANITATION/LANDFILL REPORT:** Director to report on the city's recent events.
- d. **UTILITIES DIRECTOR REPORT:** Utilities Director to report on the city's recent events.


FINANCIAL REPORT: Finance Director to report on the city's finances.

CITY MANAGER REPORT: City Manager to report on current activities and answer questions from the City Council.


MAYORS REPORT: Mayor to report on current activities and to answer questions from City Council.

ADJOURNMENT: *The next regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council of Lamesa will be June 13, 2022 at 5:30 P.M.*

ATTEST


Betty Conde
City Secretary

APPROVED:


Josh Stevens
Mayor