

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF POLK §
CITY OF LIVINGSTON §

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
CITY COUNCIL
August 13, 2019
5:00 P.M.

The City Council of the City of Livingston, Texas convened in regular session in Council Chambers at City Hall at 5:00 P.M., August 13, 2019, with the following members present:

Judy B. Cochran)	Mayor
Alan Cook)	Councilmembers
Elgin Davis)	
Marion 'Bid' Smith)	
Clarke Evans)	
Billy S. Wiggins)	City Manager
Ellie Monteaux)	City Secretary
James Wright)	City Attorney

and the following others present:

Kirk Bynum)	The Brannon Corporation
Ryan Gibson)	Self
Vincent Hernandez)	Centro de Vida
Simon Geller)	Life Vine Church
Victoria White)	Spirit of Integrity Worship Center

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Brett Lester)	First Baptist Church Livingston
Kevan Wood)	
Chris Borden)	First Assembly Church Livingston
Doug Borie)	Self

Mayor Cochran called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M. and called on Alderman Smith to open the meeting with prayer and the pledges.

Mayor Cochran advised Council that on Saturday, May 4 and Sunday, May 5, 2019, members of several local congregations participated in the Serve Together Polk County 2019 by giving of their time and talents to provide community service project assistance for the City of Livingston, numerous Livingston school campuses and non-profit service organizations, as well as elderly citizens in our area. The participating churches included: Central Baptist Church, Trinity Lutheran Church, Soda Baptist Church, First Assembly Church Livingston, Church on the Lake, Life Vine Church, Onalaska First Baptist Church, Indian Presbyterian Church, Spirit of Integrity Worship Center, First Baptist Church Providence, Pine Forest Baptist Church, Centro de Vida, First Baptist Church Livingston, and First Presbyterian Church Livingston. Mayor Cochran presented Certificates of Recognition and Appreciation to Vincent Hernandez of Centro de Vida, Brett Lester of First Baptist Church Livingston, Victoria White of Spirit of Integrity Worship Center, Simon Geller of Life Vine Church, and Chris Borden fo First Assembly Church Livingston.

(Kevan Wood, Vincent Hernandez, Brett Lester, Victoria White, Simon Geller and Chris Borden retired from the meeting.)

It was moved by Alderman Cook and seconded by Alderman Davis that the minutes of the regular meeting of July 9, 2019 be approved. All present voted aye.

The City Manager advised Council that bids were opened July 17, 2019 for the construction of a 150,000 gallon elevated water storage tank at West Street and a 400,000 gallon elevated water storage tank at Walnut Street. Kirk Bynum, project engineer with the Brannon Corporation, advised Council that he has reviewed the bids and recommended approval of the bid offered by Maguire Iron, Inc. for the construction of two new spheroidal tanks. Discussion ensued relative to Maguire Iron, ground storage tanks that will remain in place, operation of tanks, and time line for completion of the project. Based on the recommendation of the City Manager and project engineer, it was moved by Alderman Evans and seconded by Alderman Cook

that the Maguire Iron, Inc. bid be accepted as being deemed most advantageous to the City and that the contract for the construction of a 150,000 gallon spheroid elevated water storage tank at West Street for \$998,000.00 and the construction of a 400,000 gallon spheroid elevated water storage tank at Walnut Street for \$1,454,060.00 be awarded to Maguire Iron, Inc. for a total base bid of \$2,452,060.00, per bid opening of July 17, 2019. All present voted aye.

(Kirk Bynum retired from the meeting.)

The City Manager introduced the proposed Public Meeting Appearance Guidelines to be effective September 1, 2019. Discussion ensued relative to the Public Meeting Appearance Form, legislative requirements of H.B. 2840, and time allowance for each speaker. It was moved by Alderman Davis and seconded by Alderman Smith that the Public Meeting Appearance Guidelines be adopted, as presented, to be effective September 1, 2019. All present voted aye.

The City Manager advised Council that the City of Livingston has been invited to join the Alliance for I-69 Texas to help advance the development of I-69. Discussion ensued relative to payment of dues in the amount of \$1,150.00, appointment of a City representative, and routing concerns in the best interest of the City. It was moved by Alderman Davis and seconded by Alderman Cook that the City of Livingston join the Alliance for I-69 Texas and that payment of annual dues in the amount of \$1,150.00 be approved. All present voted aye.

Mayor Cochran recommended that City Manager Bill Wiggins be appointed to represent the City of Livingston in all matters related to membership in the Alliance for I-69 Texas. It was moved by Alderman Evans and seconded by Alderman Smith that City Manager Bill Wiggins be appointed to represent the City of Livingston in all matters related to membership in the Alliance for I-69 Texas. All present voted aye.

The City Manager presented Pay Request #1 of TraC-n-trol, Inc. in amount of \$9,595.00 for TxCDBG Contract No. 7218290 Sewer Improvements SCADA Project for approval. Project Manager Kirk Bynum with the Brannon Corporation has reviewed the pay request and recommends approval. Based on the recommendation of the Project Manager and City Manager, it was moved by Alderman Evans and seconded by Alderman Davis that Pay Request #1 of TraC-n-trol, Inc. in amount of \$9,595.00 for TxCDBG Contract No. 7218290 Sewer Improvements SCADA Project be approved, payable upon receipt of grant funds from the Texas Department of Agriculture. All present voted aye.

It was moved by Alderman Cook and seconded by Alderman Smith that the accounts over \$500.00, as submitted, be approved for payment. All present voted aye.

The City Manager reported on the following items:

- A) Update on Current Projects and Development - The City Manager provided the Council with an update on current projects and development.
- B) Upcoming Events
 - ▶ Livingston Trade Days - Saturday, September 14 and Sunday, September 15 at Pedigo Park

The City Manager presented the preliminary budget for the 2019-2020 fiscal year and requested that Council continue its review of the budget prior to the September meeting so that any desired changes can be discussed prior to its scheduled adoption.

Mayor Cochran called a public hearing for Tuesday, September 10, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. on the budget for the fiscal year 2019-2020.

(Billy S. Wiggins, Ellie Monteaux, Jim Wright, Ryan Gibson, and Doug Borie retired from the meeting.)

Mayor Cochran called the Council into executive session at 5:58 P.M., pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074 (Personnel - Performance Evaluation of City Manager).

Council reconvened in open session at 6:27 P.M.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, it was moved by Alderman Cook and seconded by Alderman Evans that the meeting be adjourned at 6:28 P.M. All present voted aye.

SIGNED:



Judy B. Cochran, Mayor

ATTEST:



Ellie Monteaux, TRMC, CMC
City Secretary/Assistant City Manager