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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**  
**LORENA CITY COUNCIL**  
**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2017 6:30 P.M.**  
**LORENA CITY HALL**  
**107-A S. FRONTAGE ROAD, LORENA, TEXAS**

**MINUTES**

**1. Call to Order.**

- a. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- b. **Texas Pledge**

Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible.

- c. **Moment of silence**

Mayor Roper called the meeting to order at 6:30 gave the open meeting statement and announced that a quorum of the council was present. Council members present were Mayor Chuck Roper, Mayor Pro tem Bill Coleman, Jennifer Grimm, Jeff Linnstaedter and Kelly Yarbrough. J. Fagner was absent. City Staff present were Police Chief Tom Dickson, City Secretary Monica Hendrix, Public Works Director Kevin Neal and City Manager Joseph Pace.

**2. Visitor and Citizens Forum**

*At this time any person with business before the Council not scheduled on the agenda may speak to the Council. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes, and this time is not transferable. No formal action may be taken on any of these items at the meeting. This forum is limited to a total of 30 minutes.*

No visitors spoke.

**3. Approval of Minutes:**

- a. **January 16, 2017**

A motion was made by Bill Coleman and seconded by Jeff Linnstaedter to approve the minutes as submitted. All in favor, motion carried.

**4. Presentation of 2015-2016 Fiscal Year audit.**

Kristy Davis with Jaynes, Reitmeier, Boyd & Therrell, P.C. reviewed the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year audit with the council. Davis reported overall the city is in good financial condition and has healthy fund balances. There were no deficiencies in internal control that were identified during the audit.

**5. Discussion and possible action accepting the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year audit.**

Bill Coleman motioned to accept the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year audit as presented. Jennifer Grimm seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

**6. Commission and Corporation Reports.**

- a. **Planning and Zoning**

No meeting.

- b. **Economic Development Corporation**

Meeting rescheduled to February 21, 2017.

**7. Presentation of December 31, 2016 Financial Statements and Summary of Cash and Investments.**

Financial Officer Linda Klump made the presentation to the council. On the summary of cash and investments the Pooled operating account is up due to property taxes being due. Texpool accounts the interest rate increased  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a percent. On the financials there is a cover sheet that lists a summary of fund revenues and expenditures. The following pages list the details of the funds. Klump informed council the TML annual payment for property and liability insurance is paid at the beginning of the fiscal year because a discount is offered when paying up front. Council had no questions.

**8. Discussion and possible action authorizing the City Manager to enter into an interlocal agreement with the City of Waco and participating cities for the 2017 Household Hazardous Waste Collection day on May 6, 2017.**

City Manager Joseph Pace explained this is an annual event that Lorena participates in and is beneficial for our residents. The cost is based on how many residents participate. There is money budgeted for this event.

Jennifer Grimm motioned to authorize the City Manager to enter into an interlocal agreement with the City of Waco and participating cities for the 2017 Household Hazardous Waste Collection day on May 6, 2017. Jeff Linnstaedter seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

**9. Discussion and possible action on authorizing the City Manager to sign a letter supporting a "No Trucks Left Lane" from the Southern limits of Waco (MM 329) to the Northern City limits of Bruceville-Eddy (MM318) to include both the northbound and the southbound mainline directions of I-35 for approximately 11 miles.**

Joseph Pace informed council of the letter he received for support from TxDOT and explained they wanted him to sign and send back. He informed TxDOT that he wanted council approval. Council asked if this would be something that our police department would enforce and was told that we could. After discussion a motion was made by Bill Coleman to authorize the City Manager to sign a letter supporting a "No Trucks Left Lane". Kelly Yarbrough seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

**10. Discussion on Official newspaper options for city legal notices.**

City Secretary Monica Hendrix informed the council of the closing of the *Hometown News/Waco Citizen* newspaper. Hendrix informed council of three publication options that meet the requirements required by statute. Those options include the *Waco Tribune Herald*, *Tiempo* and the *Waco Farm and Labor Journal*. Council had concerns about the availability of the *Tiempo* and *Waco Farm and Labor Journal* in the Lorena area. Hendrix explained that the cost difference between these two publications versus the *Waco Tribune* is very significant and that tax dollars are paying for the notices. Hendrix also explained that all notices are published on the website when they are required to be published in the newspaper. A resolution will be brought back to council next month for approval and council can choose at that time their publication of choice.

**11. Discussion and possible action on 2016 Racial Profiling report.**

Police Chief Tom Dickson presented the 2016 Racial Profiling report to council. This report is required to be filed annually to the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement. There is no indication of racial profiling in Lorena.

Kelly Yarbrough motioned to accept the 2016 Racial Profiling report. Bill Coleman seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

**12. Police Department Activity Report.**

There were 270 calls by type and 292 citations issued in January. Dickson also reported that all was quiet with the exception of an incident at the school where charges were filed against two students.

**13. Public Works Report.**

**a. Chloramine update**

Kevin Neal reported all but two of the punch list items have been completed and the city is running with chloramine. TCEQ will be here tomorrow to collect samples. Neal feels there will possibly be another letter that will be sent out due to the averages of the collection.

Neal also gave recognition to his crew during a power outage recently. The south pressure plain was down to 3600 gallons during this outage. His crew worked diligently to keep the citizens of Lorena with water. Neal stated he was very proud of his staff.

**14. City Manager Report.**

**a. Update on WMARSS**

Next meeting will be March 2017.

**b. TIRZ Update**

Preliminary surveying going on.

**c. Capital Improvement Plans/Personnel Improvement Plans**

These have been passed out to staff.

**d. Meetings since Last City Council Meeting.**

Attended several meetings.

**e. Website update**

Website is moving along as scheduled.

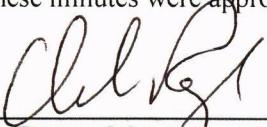
**15. Items for future agendas.**

Kelly Yarbrough would like to see a list of streets that will be worked on. Pace informed her it will probably not be until budget time before a list can be provided.

**16. Adjourn.**

Due to no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

These minutes were approved this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March 2017.

  
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Chuck Roper, Mayor

Attest:

  
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Monica Hendrix, City Secretary

