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**LORENA CITY COUNCIL**  
**MONDAY, MARCH 21, 2022 - 6:30 P.M.**  
**LORENA CITY HALL**  
**107-A S. FRONTAGE ROAD, LORENA TEXAS**

**MINUTES**

**1. Call to Order/Roll Call.**

Mayor Protem Kelly Yarbrough called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Council members present were Mayor Protem Kelly Yarbrough, Katrina George, Jeff Linnstaedter, Emily McKenzie and Shane Phillips. Mayor Tommy Ross was absent.

Staff present were Tom Dickson, Monica Hendrix, Kyler Jones, Kevin Neal and Peter Rivas.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor Protem Kelly Yarbrough led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag and the Texas Flag.

**3. Citizens questions or comments.**

*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. Under the Texas Open Meetings Act, the Council is prohibited from discussing, responding, or acting on any comments or items that have not been properly posted on the agenda. This forum is limited to a total of 30 minutes.*  
No visitors spoke and no questions were submitted.

**4. Approval of Minutes:**

**a. March 3, 2022** (Note the February meeting was postponed to this date due to icy weather conditions.)

Shane Phillips pointed out that item number 13 had no vote on the minutes, there was a motion and second but no final vote. Hendrix will add the vote to the minutes which passed unanimously.

MOTION: Katrina George motioned to approve the minutes with the change to item number 13 to add the vote.

SECOND: Shane Phillips

FOR: George, Linnstaedter, Yarbrough, McKenzie and Phillips.

AGAINST: None

ABSENT: Mayor Tommy Ross

Motion carried.

**5. Commission and Corporation Reports.**

**a. Economic Development Corporation**

Kelly Yarbrough reported there was no meeting. Yarbrough explained that twice a year there is no meeting due to Spring Break and Christmas.

**b. Planning and Zoning Commission**

No meeting.

**6. Discussion and possible action to close E. Center Street from Bordon Street to McBrayer Street on April 23, 2022 for the "Spring Fling" as requested by the Community Action League Lorena.**

Kaye Swain was present and requested the street be closed from 9:45 am to 4 pm on April 23, 2022 for the Spring Fling. Swain says there will be ten confirmed retail booths and she has mailed out fifty more applications. Swain is expecting a strong showing. Swain said there will also be booths set-up inside the Wisteria Business.

Chief Dickson says he is fine with closing the street and that Kaye Swain is very familiar with the process given the number of times she has done this. The Lorena Volunteer Fire Department will also be serving hamburgers during the event.

MOTION: Shane Phillips motioned to close E. Center Street from 9:45 am to 4:00 pm on April 23, 2022 for the Spring Fling event.

SECOND: Katrina George

FOR: George, Linnstaedter, Yarbrough, McKenzie and Phillips.

AGAINST: None

ABSENT: Mayor Tommy Ross

Motion carried.

**7. Discussion and possible action accepting the 2021 Fiscal Year Audit that was presented on March 3, 2022.**

Monica Hendrix explained this agenda item was inadvertently left off the March 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting. The JRBT presented the audit and council has to accept the audit.

MOTION: Jeff Linnstaedter motioned to accept the 2021 Fiscal Year Audit.

SECOND: Katrina George

FOR: George, Linnstaedter, Yarbrough, McKenzie and Phillips.

AGAINST: None

ABSENT: Mayor Tommy Ross

Motion carried.

**8. Discussion and possible action approving the McLennan County Joint Election agreement for the May 7, 2022 General Election.**

Monica Hendrix explained this agreement is required because we are holding a joint election with McLennan County and other entities in the County. The cities cost for this election is just under \$800.00.

MOTION: Jeff Linnstaedter motioned to approve the joint election agreement.

SECOND: Shane Phillips seconded the motion.

FOR: George, Linnstaedter, Yarbrough, McKenzie and Phillips.

AGAINST: None

ABSENT: Mayor Tommy Ross

Motion carried.