



**City of Lucas  
City Council Meeting  
July 2, 2015  
7:00 PM**

**City Hall - 665 Country Club Road – Lucas Texas**

## **Minutes**

### **Call to Order**

Mayor Olk called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Council Members Present:**

Mayor Jim Olk  
Mayor Pro Tem Kathleen Peele  
Councilmember Debbie Fisher  
Councilmember Tim Baney  
Councilmember Steve Duke  
Councilmember Philip Lawrence  
Councilmember Wayne Millsap

**Staff:**

City Manager Joni Clarke  
City Attorney Joe Gorfida  
City Secretary Stacy Henderson  
Public Works Director Stanton Foerster  
Public Works Intern Reese Jackson

It was determined that a quorum was present.  
Everyone was reminded to turn off or silence cell phones.  
Mayor Olk led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Citizen Input**

**1. Citizen Input**

Mayor Olk announced that Josh Bittlestone with Troop 358 was in attendance working towards his Communication and Citizenship Merit Badges.

There was no other citizen input.

### **Community Interest**

There were no Community Interest items for this agenda.

### **Consent Agenda**

The following items were considered as part of the Consent Agenda.

2. **Consider approval of the minutes of the June 18, 2015 City Council meeting.**
3. **Consider approving Resolution R-2015-07-00437 authorizing the City Manager to enter into a one year Communication Facilities License Agreement with JAB Broadband D/B/A Skybeam Texas.**
4. **Consider the request by Todd Wintters on behalf of Cleve Adamson Custom Homes for preliminary plat approval for a subdivision of land called Tokalaun Equestrian Addition Tract Two being 18.507 acres, to a proposed 8 lot subdivision on a tract of land situated in the John W. Kerby Survey ABS Number 506, more commonly known as the school site on Blondie Jhune.**

Mayor Olk announced that the applicant for Agenda Item No. 4 has requested that their item be withdrawn and removed from the Consent Agenda and they would be resubmitting their request at a later date.

Mayor Olk also announced that the Council received updated changes to the minutes before the City Council meeting that could be included as part of the Consent Agenda.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Peele, seconded by Councilmember Millsap to approve Agenda Items 2 and 3 on the Consent Agenda as presented and to accept the applicant's withdrawal and remove Agenda Item No. 4 from the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously by a 7-0 vote.

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| <b>Regular Agenda</b> |
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**5. Provide an update on the Blondy Jhune Bridge Projects.**

Stanton Foerster, Public Works Director/City Engineer, gave a presentation to the City Council stating that the design work was proceeding; however, surveys were still needed on properties near the creek channels, and access was still needed to certain properties along Blondy Jhune. Mr. Foerster stated that Staff was preparing a letter to property owners where surveying was still needed stating the purpose of the surveying and the need for access to their property. A Right of Entry form has been placed on the City's website, but to date, no one has signed this agreement and therefore, the design work has been delayed.

Mr. Foerster stated that the hydraulic design information was still needed on both bridges on Blondy Jhune and the consultant was reviewing various options related to the alignment of the bridges to reduce sight distance issues and safety concerns.

Councilmember Millsap asked if the bridges could be angled differently to make turning easier, and if the roadways could be widened slightly to improve safety aspects of the road.

Mr. Foerster discussed construction of the original bridges and piers and various ways to separate traffic on the roadways to make travel safer.

City Manager Joni Clarke asked if the consultant's bridge design would incorporate a trail network or pedestrian feature.

Mr. Foerster stated that design standards were different for horse trails and pedestrian trails. The best option would be to plan for horse trails.

Mayor Olk announced that this was an informational item and no action was required by the City Council at this time.

#### **6. Consider creating an ordinance preventing parking along Estates Parkway.**

Reese Jackson, Public Works Intern discussed the concerns that had been raised regarding parking on Estates Parkway during Lovejoy High School events. Because Estates Parkway was a Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) road, permission would be needed to allow no-parking signage along the roadway and an ordinance would also have to be passed by the City before TXDOT would consider any permits for signage.

Councilmember Lawrence said that the school has attempted to place signage along the roadway in the past, but has troubles policing the neighborhood. Councilmember Lawrence stated it would be best to encourage Lovejoy ISD to utilize off-site parking locations and have the school be responsible for policing their events.

Councilmember Millsap stated having has an ordinance in place, allows the County Deputy the authority to write tickets, and approving an ordinance provides the City more options when these types of situations occur.

City Manager Joni Clarke stated that the complaint regarding parking on Estates Parkway was brought to the City by concerned citizens.

Mayor Olk stated that this was a safety concern and after speaking with School Board Members, they too were in agreement with the City enforcing parking regulations, as the school district does not have the right to enforce where parking can take place. The school district offered the use of buses to assist with getting people to their events safely.

The Council discussed the price of parking tickets, towing and enforcement related to policing Lovejoy High School events.

Councilmember Duke did not believe that passing an ordinance would address the safety concerns associated with people walking to and from events along the side of the road.

Mayor Olk suggested the City talk with the school district about busing people to and from events.

A majority of the City Council were in agreement that an ordinance be prepared and brought back to the Council addressing no-parking areas along Estates Parkway.

Mayor Olk announced that this was a discussion item and no further action was required by the City Council at this time.

**7. Consider an appointment to the Board of Adjustment to fill a vacant position.**

Mayor Olk announced that the Council would like to convene into executive session to discuss this matter further.

**Executive Session**

**8. Deliberate the appointment of an officer to the Board of Adjustment.**

Mayor Olk stated that that the Council will convene into Executive Session at 7:44 p.m. to deliberate the appointment of an officer to the Board of Adjustment.

**9. Reconvene into Regular Session and take any action necessary as a result of the closed Executive Session.**

Mayor Olk and the Council reconvened from Executive Session at 8:08 p.m.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Peele, seconded by Councilmember Lawrence to appoint current Alternate Member, Andrew Sisson as a fulling voting regular member to the Board of Adjustment. The motion passed unanimously by a 7-0 vote.

**10. Adjournment.**

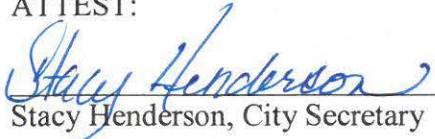
**MOTION:** A motion was made by Councilmember Millsap, seconded by Councilmember Lawrence to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 p.m. The motion passed unanimously by a 7-0 vote.

APPROVED:

  
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Jim Olk, Mayor



ATTEST:

  
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Stacy Henderson, City Secretary