

City of Lucas City Council Meeting November 17, 2016 7:00 P.M.

City Hall - 665 Country Club Road – Lucas Texas Minutes

Call to Order

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

City Councilmembers Present:

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

Staff Present:

City Manager Joni Clarke City Secretary Stacy Henderson Development Services Director Joe Hilbourn Public Works Director/City Engineer Stanton Foerster Human Resources Manager Cheryl Meehan

City Staff Absent:

City Attorney Joe Gorfida

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

Citizen Input

1. Citizen Input:

There was no citizen input.

Community Interest

2. Community Interest Items:

Mayor Olk presented a Proclamation to Girl Scout Troop 8938 for the Arbor Day event held at the Lucas Community Park on November 12, 2016.

Mayor Olk announced that the City's Country Christmas event would be held on December 2, 2016 from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm at the Community Park.

Public Works Director/City Engineer Stanton Foerster informed the City Council that drilling for the footings had begun at the Blondy Jhune Bridge and during the drilling process, an AT&T line was found in the location for the footings. Mr. Foerster noted that contingency funds would be used to move the line and keep the project on time.

Development Services Director Joe Hilbourn informed the City Council of staff concerns related to recent water registers that had either failed or had no readings during the last month. Mr. Hilbourn stated that approximately 260 registers had no readings and 42 registers had failed. Mr. Hilbourn explained that water consumption would be estimated for those customers whose registers had not readings and staff was researching for other providers.

Mayor Olk asked that staff notify all residents whose accounts would be estimated.

Consent Agenda

- 3. Consider approval of the minutes of the November 3, 2016 City Council meeting.
- 4. Consider approving an expenditure to purchase two emergency response vehicles from Bob Tomes Ford in the amount of \$83,400.00 to replace a 2003 Chevy Tahoe and a 1991 Ford F-350 Rehab truck approved in fiscal year budget 2016-2017 from account 11-8300-421.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Fisher, seconded by Councilmember Millsap to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously by a 7 to 0 vote.

Regular Agenda

5. Discuss options available to the City of Lucas concerning the Statutory Maximum Rate of Contribution for funding the Texas Municipal Retirement Services for 2017 and consider adopting Ordinance 2016-11-00844 removing the TMRS Statutory Maximum Contribution.

Collin Davidson, Regional Manager with TMRS, discussed with the City Council the various options available regarding contribution rates for the City's retirement plan outlined below:

- 1. Remove the Statutory Maximum Contribution Rate by ordinance increasing the statutory maximum rate by 2.0% to 15.50%.
- 2. Increase the Statutory Maximum Contribution Rate, by ordinance annually every year, with a 15.5 percent cap.
- 3. Pay the Retirement Cost Contribution Rate each year on a "one-year-at-a-time option causing annually repeating benefits (updated service credits for employees and COLA increases for retirees) to be turned off.
- 4. Pay only the Statutory Maximum Contribution Rate of 13.50% causing annual repeating benefits (updated service credits for employees and COLA increases for retirees) to be turned off.

Mr. Davidson discussed with the Council actuarial changes, level and cost of current benefits, and long term impacts. The City Council also discussed current statutes and legislation in place.

MOTION: A motion was made by Mayor Olk, seconded by Councilmember Baney to choose Option No. 2, placing a 15.5 percent cap on contribution rates and drafting an ordinance for approval. The motion passed unanimously by a 7 to 0 vote.

6. Consider a variety of transportation survey questions and decide which to be posed to the citizens of the City of Lucas and provide guidance to staff on how to administer the transportation survey, prior to the Transportation Town Hall meeting on January 26, 2017.

Mayor Pro Tem Peele suggested keeping the survey to a maximum of ten questions and focus questions on regional transportation issues. Mayor Pro Tem Peele suggested the City Council formulate their questions and provide those to Public Works Director/City Engineer Stanton Foerster to have available at the December 1, 2016 City Council meeting.

Mayor Olk suggested questions also focus on the types of streets desired along with the width of the street, and remove questions related to equestrian trails and funding of new road construction.

Mayor Olk noted comments received by Tim Johnson, 2175 Toole stating that questions should be related to cut-through traffic and traffic related to FM roadways, connector streets and residential streets.

MOTION: A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Peele, seconded by Councilmember Lawrence to provide suggested questions to the Public Works Director/City Engineer to include as part of the December 1, 2016 City Council meeting for discussion. The motion passed unanimously by a 7 to 0 vote.

Mayor Olk moved to Agenda Item No. 8 at this time.

8. Update and provide guidance to staff regarding repairs to a 1940s fire truck commonly referred to as "Streaker" for use during special events.

Development Services Director Joe Hilbourn stated that staff had restoration of Streaker with the removal of the engine and transmission at a total cost of \$600 thus far.

Friends of the Lucas Fire-Rescue Board members Kathleen LoSapio and Paul Rathgeb stated that the board was raising funds to be used towards the restoration of Streaker, and have obtained an estimate in the amount of approximately \$8,000 for repairs; however, the estimate did not include engine work.

City Manager Joni Clarke stated that the vehicle is listed as a fixed asset for the City and any work done by the Friends or the Lucas Fire-Rescue Board would be considered a donation.

The City Council discussed the level of restoration needed and that further estimates should be acquired regarding a full restoration.

Councilmember Millsap discussed concerns related to placing an engine from another vehicle into Streaker that could make it difficult to restore other items on the fire truck. Councilmember Millsap suggested discontinuing restoration by staff until further estimates and an outlined plan could be determined.

Captain Ethan Carver, Lucas Fire-Rescue Department discussed costs associated with repainting and making the vehicle drivable that were estimated between \$7,000 to \$12,000.

Mayor Olk asked that the Friends of the Lucas Fire-Rescue Board come back to the Council with an estimate of the level of restoration needed, costs associated with the restoration, and the level of participation anticipated by the Friends of the Lucas Fire-Rescue Board.

Mayor Olk directed staff to delay restoration efforts to allow time for the Friends of the Lucas Fire-Rescue Board to obtain estimates and outline a timeline for restoration.

7. Discuss and give direction to the City Manager regarding the following:

- A. North Central Texas Council of Governments Regional 10-Year Plan
- B. Purpose of \$200 million as a placeholder in said plan for a north/south arterial west of Lavon Lake in Collin County
- C. Possible action relating to same before the Regional Transportation Council (RTC) in December 2016 and the Texas Transportation Commission (TTC) in February 2017

Public Works Director/City Engineer Stanton Foerster stated that staff attended the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) Regional 10-Year Plan meeting that laid out plans for the \$6.98 billion in transportation funds to be spent by 2040. Mr. Foerster noted that the first step in the plan was to list projects for the next 10 years. The NCTCOG staff proposes to set aside \$200 million for projects in Collin County and for the North/South Arterial with limits set to west of Lake Lavon. Collin County Roadway Action Plan No. 4 proposes setting aside funds in the amount of \$100 million for Urban Mobility Corridors and \$100 million for Commission Strategic Priority projects.

Mr. Foerster discussed modifications to the plan that he requested from the NCTCOG and that the NCTCOG would request approval of the 10-year plan including the \$200 million from the RTC on December 8, 2016 and from the Texas Transportation Commission in February 2017.

Mayor Olk directed staff to prepare a letter outlining modifications to the plan that the City of Lucas would like to discuss with Regional Transportation Council representative Allen Mayor, Stephen Terrell.

Executive Session

The City Council may convene in a closed Executive Session pursuant to Chapter 551.071 of the Texas Government Code.

9. Executive Session.

No items were scheduled for Executive Session.

10. Adjournment.

MOTION:

A motion was made by Councilmember Millsap, seconded by Councilmember Duke to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 pm. The motion passed unanimously by a 7 to 0 vote.

APPROVED:

Jim Olk, Mayor

ATTEST:

Stacy Henderson, City Secretary

