



**City of Lucas
City Council Meeting
November 15, 2018
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
City Engineer Stanton Foerster

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

Citizen Input

1. Citizen Input.

There was no one requesting to speak during the Citizen Input portion of the agenda.

Community Interest

2. Community Interest.

City Manager Joni Clarke discussed the success of the Arbor Day/Clean up event with volunteers collecting enough trash to fill the dumpster at City Hall, along with a great turnout by Lovejoy High School students. Councilmember Fisher further explained that Shumac Oak and Pecan trees were distributed by Legacy 4-H and the Master Gardeners and Texas Pure also took part in the event.

City Secretary Stacy Henderson gave an update on the winners of the Scarecrow Contest.

Mayor Olk noted that Saturday, December 1 was the Lovejoy High School Fine Arts Festival, and Friday, December 7 was the Country Christmas event at 6 pm. Mayor Olk noted that on January 31, Art in Public Places will be on display at City Hall from Lovejoy High School students. Mayor Olk also discussed other upcoming events such as February 19, 2019 was the City's 60th anniversary

celebration with an open house and other festivities, along with Founders Day scheduled for May 11, 2019.

Councilmember Fisher wished good luck to all the students involved in the upcoming high school football playoff games.

City Engineer Stanton Foerster explained that he spoke with TxDOT regarding the installation of a left turn lane off Parker Road into Kirkland Estates. He stated the tentative cost was \$103,000 with various items that could impact the price. Mr. Foerster stated that the City would be required to design the turn lane which would be an added expense. Mr. Foerster stated that he would place an item on a future agenda to provide a further update.

Consent Agenda

3. Consent Agenda.

A. Consider approving the minutes of the November 1, 2018 City Council meeting.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Duke, seconded by Councilmember Lawrence to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously by a 7 to 0 vote.

Regular Agenda

4. Consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into a professional services contract with Lakes Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$104,000 for the design of Stinson Road Project from Parker Road to Bristol Park Road using funds from account 21-8210-491-128.

City Engineer Stanton Foerster discussed with the City Council the proposed contract with Lakes Engineering, previous design work Lakes Engineering had performed on the eastern bridge of Blondy Jhune and the future design project of Blondy Jhune Road. Mr. Foerster stated that Lakes Engineering was also being considered as the project manager for upcoming construction projects in 2019.

Mayor Pro Tem Peele asked if there was any conflict in having Lakes Engineering as the design firm as well as potentially the project manager.

Mr. Foerster confirmed that no conflict existed as Lakes Engineering would not be constructing the roadway, only providing the design and construction management work.

Councilmember Fisher stated her concerns regarding the original consultant termination on the project and the possible invoicing that was still outstanding for the 90 percent plans that were submitted, along with paying an additional \$104,000 to Lakes Engineering to complete the design work.

Mr. Foerster explained that the previous consultant submitted 90 percent plans but did not complete design elements that were required. Due to their lack of completion and timeliness on the project, the consultant was terminated for non-performance.

Mayor Olk reminded the City Council that they had asked City staff to diversify projects and not use just one firm.

Mr. Foerster stated that when seeking Statements of Qualifications for these design projects, a request for qualifications was conducted and a committee was formed that included the City Engineer, Councilmember Duke, and other City staff members. The Committee selected the top firms that included Lakes Engineering; KCI; Birkhoff, Hendricks and Carter; and BW2 Engineers.

The City Council discussed the various engineering firms and consultants the City had worked with, projects that had been completed and the firms' reliabilities.

The City Council and Mr. Foerster discussed the contract termination with the original consultant and City Council was assured that all items were standardized documents created by the City Attorney.

Eileen Eklund, 651 Stinson expressed her concern regarding the road deterioration and roadway buckling that was occurring in front of her home, and asked that the entire roadway be repaired and not just small portions.

Councilmember Millsap noted that the contract with the original consultant was approved for \$264,000, of which 60 percent of the contract had been paid, and Lakes Engineering has agreed to finish the project for what was remaining under the original contract price. Councilmember Millsap said that Lakes Engineering had completed quality work on other projects in the City and will be working on additional projects. Councilmember Millsap noted that the cost of the project was not increasing and he was in favor of moving forward with the contract for Lakes Engineering.

Councilmember Fisher stated that she was not opposed to hiring Lakes Engineering, but she wanted to ensure that no other items arose with the previous consultant.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Millsap, seconded by Councilmember Duke to authorize the City Manager to enter into a professional services contract with Lakes Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$104,000 for the design of Stinson Road Project from Parker Road to Bristol Park Road using funds from account 21-8210-491-128. The motion passed by a 6 to 1 vote with Councilmember Fisher voting in opposition.

Executive Session Agenda

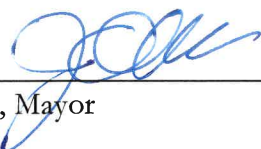
5. Executive Session.

An Executive Session was not held at this meeting.

6. **Adjournment.**

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Millsap, seconded by Councilmember Baney to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 pm. The motion passed unanimously by a 7 to 0 vote.

APPROVED:



Jim Olk, Mayor

ATTEST:



Stacy Henderson, City Secretary

