

THE STATE OF TEXAS }  
COUNTY OF DAWSON }  
CITY OF LAMESA }

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING:**

**January 16, 2024**

On this the 16th day of January 2024, at 5:30 P.M., there came on and was held a regularly called meeting of the City Council of the City of Lamesa, Dawson County, Texas. Notice of such meeting having been posted at the City Hall at 601 South First Street in the City of Lamesa, Texas in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act (Texas Govt. Code, Chapter 551). The following items were listed on the notice and the following proceedings were had, viz.:

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Stevens announced that the meeting was being held in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act (Texas Govt. Code, Chapter 551), and that discussion and actions are limited to the agenda items as posted. A quorum being present as evidenced by the presence 5 City Council Members were present:

JOSH STEVENS	Mayor
VACANT	Council Member – District 1
FRED VERA	Council Member – District 2
GLORIA V. RODRIGUEZ	Council Member – District 3
DANNY JACOBS	Council Member - District 4 Mayor Pro Tem
BOBBY G. GONZALES	Council Member – District 5
VACANT	Council Member – District 6

City staff members present at the meeting:

JOE HINES	CITY MANAGER
BETTY CONDE	CITY SECRETARY
RUSSELL CASSELBERRY	CITY ATTORNEY

Members of the press present at the meeting:

Mary Elizabeth

Members of the public present at the meeting:

Norma Garcia	Wayne Chapman	Sandy Trevino
Brian Beck	Irma Ramirez	Larry Duyck
Josh Peterson	Wally Garza	Dionicio Garza Jr Robert Ramirez

**INVOCATION: Bobby Gonzales**

**CONSENT AGENDA:** All consent agenda items listed are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda. Information concerning consent agenda items is available for public review.

- a. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:** Approval of the minutes of the council meeting held on December 19, 2023.
- b. **BILLS FOR DECEMBER 2023:** Approval of the bills paid by the City of Lamesa for the month of December 2023.

Motion by Council Member Bobby Gonzales to approve Item 3 a and b. Motion seconded by Council Member Gloria Rodriguez and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

**VOTING:**                    "AYE" 4                    "NAY"                    "ABSTAIN"

**APPOINTMENT – MUNICIPAL JUDGE:** City Council to Consider taking action regarding the appointment of Municipal Judge. *(City Council)*

Motion by Council Member Bobby Gonzales to approve Jairo Holguin as the Municipal Judge. Motion seconded by Council Member Danny Jacobs on being put to a vote the motion passed.

**VOTING:**                    "AYE" 4                    "NAY"                    "ABSTAIN"

**APPOINTMENT – PLANNING AND ZONING:** City Council to Consider taking action regarding the appointment of Jacob Hernandez to the Planning and Zoning Commission for a 2-year term expiring in December 31, 2025.

Motion by Council Member Bobby Gonzales to approve Jacob Hernandez to the Planning and Zoning Commission for a 2-year term expiring in December 31, 2025. Motion seconded by Council Member Danny Jacobs and upon being put to a vote the motion passed. *(City Council)*

**VOTING:**                    "AYE" 4                    "NAY"                    "ABSTAIN"

**2024 GENERAL ELECTION:** Consider passing a resolution ordering and establishing procedures for the City of Lamesa General Election to be held on May 4, 2024. *(City Secretary)*

Motion by Council Member Danny Jacobs to pass a Resolution ordering and establishing procedures for the City of Lamesa General Election to be held on May 4, 2024. Motion seconded by Council Member Gloria Rodriguez and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

**VOTING:**                    "AYE" 4                    "NAY"                    "ABSTAIN"

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LAMESA TEXAS REGARDING A JOINT ELECTION WITH LAMESA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AND DAWSON COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT:** Consider passing a resolution approving a Joint Election Agreement between the Lamesa Independent School District, Dawson County Hospital District, and the City of Lamesa to share the use of Forrest Park Community Center at 814 S. Houston, Lamesa, Texas for holding elections on May 4, 2024. *(City Secretary)*

Motion by Council Member Bobby Gonzales to pass a resolution to approve a Joint Election Agreement between the Lamesa Independent School District, Dawson County Hospital District, and the City of Lamesa to share the use of Forrest Park Community Center at 814 S. Houston, Lamesa, Texas for holding elections on May 4, 2024. Motion seconded by Council Member Danny Jacobs and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

**VOTING:**                    "AYE" 4                    "NAY"                    "ABSTAIN"

**BUDGET AMENDMENT XIII:** City Council to consider amending Ordinance O-13-23 on second reading with respect to the budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2023, and ending September 30, 2024. *(The Finance Department is requesting a budget amendment for the Weaver Grant received for two Police Pickups and Body cameras)* *(City Manager & Finance)*

Motion by Council Member Bobby Gonzales to amend Ordinance O-13-23 on second reading with respect to the budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2023, and ending September 30, 2024. Motion seconded by Council Member Gloria Rodriguez and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

**VOTING:**                    "AYE" 4                    "NAY"                    "ABSTAIN"

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 12, DIVISION 3. STOP INTERSECTIONS, SECTION 12.03.082(2) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO PROVIDE FOR ADDITIONAL STOP SIGNS:** City Council to consider amending Chapter 12, Division 3 Stop Intersections, Section 12.03.082(2) of the Code of Ordinances to provide for additional stop sign at the following intersections: Through street Northeast 7<sup>th</sup> Street and Stop Street Industrial Drive North. *(City Manager and Street Director)*

Motion by Council Member Danny Jacobs to amend Chapter 12, Division 3 Stop Intersections, Section 12.03.082(2) of the Code of Ordinances to provide for additional stop sign at the following intersections: Motion seconded by Council Member Gloria Rodriguez and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

**VOTING:**                      "AYE" 4                      "NAY"                      "ABSTAIN"

**BUDGET AMENDMENT I:** City Council to consider amending Ordinance O-13-23 on first reading with respect to the budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2023, and ending September 30, 2024. *This budget amendment for the buy-out of a Caterpillar Motor Grader on a maturing lease purchase agreement. (City Manager & Finance Director)*

Motion by Council Member Bobby Gonzales to amend Ordinance O-13-23 on first reading with respect to the budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2023 and ending September 30, 2024. Motion seconded by Council Member Danny Jacobs and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

**VOTING:**                      "AYE" 4                      "NAY"                      "ABSTAIN"

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT TO FURNISH SOLID WASTE LANDFILL ACCESS, FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES AND COMMUNICATIONS AND JAIL SERVICES WITH DAWSON COUNTY, TEXAS.** City Council to discuss an Interlocal Agreement to furnish Solid Waste Landfill Access, Fire Protection Services and Communications and Jail Services with Dawson County, Texas. *(City Manager)*

Motion by Council Member Bobby Gonzales to approve an Interlocal Agreement to furnish Solid Waste Landfill Access, Fire Protection Services and Communications and Jail Services with Dawson County, Texas.. Motion seconded by Council Member Danny Jacobs and upon being put to a vote the motion failed.

**VOTING:**

"AYE" 3

"NAY" 1

"ABSTAIN"

*Motion Failed*

**UTILITIES DIRECTOR REPORT:** Utilities Director to report on the city's recent events:

Dionicio Garza Jr presented the utilities report.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Finance Director to report on the city's finances.

Wayne Chapman presented the financial report.

**CITY MANAGER REPORT:** City Manager to report on current activities and answer questions from the City Council.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:** Mayor to report on current activities.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Council to consider convening into closed executive session regarding: **Sec. 551.071, Texas Government Code:** Consultation with Attorney regarding contemplated litigation under the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act).

**Sec. 551.074, Texas Government Code:** "Personnel Matters; CLOSED MEETING. (a) This chapter does not require a governmental body to conduct an open meeting: (1) to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee." No action will be taken in closed session.

Motion by Council Member Bobby Gonzales to convene in closed executive session in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act. Motion seconded by Council Member Danny Jacobs and upon being put to a vote the motion passed.

**VOTING:**

"AYE" 4

"NAY"

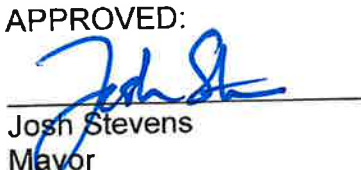
"ABSTAIN"

**ADJOURNMENT:** *The next regularly scheduled meetings of the City Council of the City of Lamesa will be February 20, 2024, at 5:30 P.M.*

ATTEST:

  
Betty Conde  
City Secretary

APPROVED:

  
Josh Stevens  
Mayor