

**REGULAR MEETING
MAY 14, 2018**

The Linden City Council met in regular session on Monday, May 14, 2018 at 6:00p.m. at the Mary Daughety Senior Citizens' Center, 507 S. Kaufman, Cass County, Linden, Texas.

Members present were: Mayor Clarence Burns; City Councilmen Frank Lanier, Mike Berry, and Kenny Hamilton; City Councilwomen Jeanie Stevens and Sue Lazara. The following guests were present: Bob Swisher, Terressa Wall, Algera Anderson, Ben Woods, Robert Luzio, Eric Lee, Lynn Reynolds, Kay Stephens, and Nancy Belford.

The Mayor called the meeting to order, Mr. Swisher gave the invocation, and the Mayor welcomed the guests.

Motion by Mr. Hamilton, seconded by Mr. Lanier to approve the minutes from the previous meetings. All yeas.

Motion by Mr. Hamilton, seconded by Mr. Lanier to approve the current bills and bank statements. All yeas.

LEDC Update: Mr. Gustafson stated the sales tax has gone down. He stated LEDC has sold the property on Hwy. 8 to Total Highway Maintenance.

Allie Anderson made a request for the city council to approve annexing the property on E. Houston, Linden Public House, into the Main Street District.

Motion by Mr. Berry, seconded by Ms. Stevens to change the Main Street District boundary to include Linden Public House. All yeas.

Allie Anderson, Main Street Manager stated the next fund raiser will be bumper stickers, with the large selling for \$5.00 and the small for \$3.00. She stated the Wildflower Trails Festival had a good attendance, with the most cars shown in the car show and the most visitors to the flower show. The festival was and will be more coordinated with the surrounding towns that participate in the festival. She also stated she felt the billboards drew visitors and that HotTax funds were used to cover the cost of the billboards.

Police Chief Lee went over the monthly police report. Mr. Hamilton asked about a property to which he felt a clean-up notice should be sent.

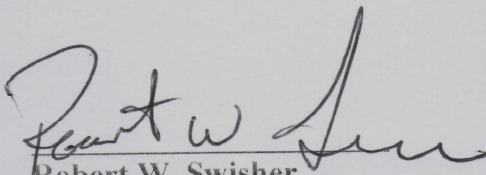
Robert Luzio stated the crew has repaired two leaks on Vance Street and that the valves at Well # 6 have been repaired. He stated the pump at Jim's Bayou was still out and being repaired. He added the permit for Jim's Bayou was done. He then went over the fire report. He stated the tornado sirens are up and operational.

City Administrator Bob Swisher stated that he is working on a grant for park and water use. He also stated he is working on purchase of the old Milstep building. He is planning a Real Estate Workshop to dispose of some city property. He also stated he wants the Friends of Linden Public Library to come in and go over what needs there are for the library. ETEX is ready to go in for the library, the cost will be \$200.00 per month for the first year. After this time the library should get the ERate.

Mayor Burns stated May 28th is Memorial Day. He thanked the Wildflower Trails Festival and the Cass County Championship Rodeo volunteers. He stated the Linden-Kildare Baseball team is in the playoffs.

Motion by Mr. Lanier, seconded by Ms. Stevens to adjourn. All yeas.

Clarence Burns
Mayor



Robert W. Swisher
City Administrator