

REGULAR MEETING
Monday, July 13, 2020

The Linden City Council met for a special meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, July 13, 2020 at the Mary Daughety Senior Citizens' Center, 507 S. Kaufman St., Cass County, Linden, Texas.

Members present: Mayor Clarence Burns: City Councilmen: Chuck Evans, Frank Lanier, and City Councilwoman Jeanie Stevens: City Councilmen Kenny Hamilton and Mike Berry were absent. The following guests were present: Terressa Wall, Luci Trahan, Allie Anderson, Anna Barber, and JudyAndreson.

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

Judy Andreson informed the city council she had opened a bed and breakfast cottage in Linden.

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

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

LEDC Update: Mr. Trahan informed the city council that Authur Kimmel had resigned his position on June 30. He stated he has hired Rowan Carter to replace Mr. Kimmel and that Mr. Carter has IT and financial experience. He stated he would like to have two more small business workshops before the end of the year. He stated June and July sales tax has been good due to a lot of local shopping. He added that the community is doing well economically.

Mr. Swisher discussed moving the Capitol Fund Account from the Utility Fund to the General Fund. He stated the sale of Linden Municipal Hospital money was deposited into an account with water and sewer funds which was already open. He stated the council needs to make a motion to move the account.

Motion by Mr. Lanier, seconded by Mr. Evans to move the Capitol Fund Account from the Utility Fund to the General Fund. All yeas.

Allie Anderson stated some teens from Queen City that are tennis players are recycling tennis balls, and that Kenny Powers had sponsored the box for Linden. She stated that Dr. LeGrow, Gary & Kendra Clayton, and Neil Abeles want to the city to help resurface the tennis courts. She stated it would cost between \$12,000.00 to \$13,000.00 to have the two courts resurfaced. She stated she is looking at a couple of grants and that the U.S. Tennis Association Grant is being looked into for this project. Signage was also discussed. She stated the Hotel/Motel Tax Account has around \$32,000.00. She added the cost of the signs was \$3,000.00 per sign and that there are five signs.

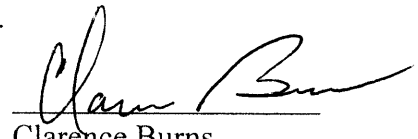
Mr. Swisher stated there will be another Farmers to Families Food Drive on August 8th. He stated the USDA is purchasing from farmers and providing healthy food to the community. He is working on the budget. He stated funds have been shifted around and the library is open and rolling. School is August 13th. He also stated The Hope Initiative Program is July 28-29th and they will be using the Senior Citizen Building.

Mayor Burns stated the 2030 Plan should get a committee together soon.

Motion by Mr. Lanier, seconded by Mr. Evans to adjourn. All yeas.



Robert W. Swisher
City Administrator



Clarence Burns
Mayor