

**REGULAR MEETING  
MARCH 12, 2018**

The Linden City Council met in regular session on Monday, March 12, 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 Mike Berry, Frank Lanier, and Kenny Hamilton; City Councilwomen Jeanie Stevens and Sue Lazara; and the following guests: Bob Swisher, Terressa Wall, Algera Anderson, Ben Woods, Robert Luzio, Eric Lee, Gus Gustafson, Joyce Henderson, and Lucinda Trahan.

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

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

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

LEDC Update: Mr. Gustafson stated he did not have the local sales/use tax report. He discussed the return of the T-Bone Walker Blues Festival. He stated Ms. Bernita Walker had been contacted about moving the festival back to Linden with it returning as a dinner concert. He stated in 2019 a larger festival was anticipated.

Mr. Caver went over the LEDC audits, stating internal control was a little weak with the change in employees. He added the firm gave a clean opinion on both audits.

Motion by Ms. Stevens, seconded by Ms. Lazara to approve the resolution authorizing the award of professional service provider contracts for General Land Office Community Development and Revitalization CDBG-Disaster Recovery funding and to select A.L. Franks Engineering Inc. to provide the engineering services for CDBG-Disaster Recovery DR-4266 and DR-4269 activities. All yeas.

Motion by Ms. Lazara, seconded by Mr. Hamilton to approve the resolution authorizing the award of professional service provider contracts for the General Land Office Community Development and Revitalization CDBG-Disaster Recovery funding and to select Grantworks to provide the management services for CDBG-Disaster Recovery DR-4266 and DR-4269 activities. All yeas.



Allie Anderson – Main Street Manager stated she is overseeing the Wildflower Trails Festival and that it will have several contests this year. She stated May is National Preservation Month and Main Street will have the Imagine the Possibilities Tour again. She stated a Memorial Park Pocket Project for Attaway Park and markers for Way Finding Signage are upcoming projects which the HotTax will fund. She stated she will be attending the Main Street National Conference in Kansas City, MO where she will receive the official announcement of her certification.

Police Chief Eric Lee went over the monthly police report.

City Administrator Bob Swisher stated there had been many water leaks and washouts. He also stated the restrooms at Crowe Heath Park were being renovated instead of new restrooms being built. He stated there may be possible grants for a baseball complex in the future. He then stated online payments on [lindentexas.org](http://lindentexas.org) is now available for a \$1.25 fee. He stated the annual Royce & Cindy Henderson Memorial Easter Egg Hunt will be held in the park on March 31, 2018.

Mayor Burns stated Venice Pizza is open and the L-K baseball team is doing very well.

Motion by Mr. Hamilton, seconded by Mr. Lanier to go into executive session. All yeas.

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

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Clarence Burns  
Mayor

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Robert W. Swisher  
City Administrator