

**State of Texas
County of Denton
City of Lake Dallas**

The Lake Dallas City Council met in a regular meeting on August 14, 2014 in the Lake Dallas City Hall, 212 Main Street, with notice of the meeting given, as required by Title 5, Chapter 551.041 of the Texas Government Code. Mayor Marino called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.

A. ROLL CALL

Tony Marino	Mayor
James Harper	Councilmember 1
Mike McCaleb	Councilmember 2
B.W. Brooks	Councilmember 3

Councilmembers Estrada and Hammond were absent

Staff Present: City Manager/Police Chief Nick Ristagno; City Secretary Joni Vaughn; Police Captain Wes Frazier; Finance Director Donna Boner; Community Relations Manager Stephanie Berndt; City Attorney David Berman

B. INVOCATION

Councilmember James Harper gave the invocation.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Marino led the pledges of allegiance.

D. ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Saturday, August 16th from 10am-5pm, our Lake Dallas Animal Shelter is participating in a multi-city program sponsored by Channel 5 called "Empty the Shelter" Day. This program is an attempt to find homes for homeless dogs and cats. The adoption fee is waived for that day. Our City newsletter is coming out on September 1st and all are encouraged to sign up for the e-version on our website. Trinity Trash Bash will be held Saturday, September 20th from 9-11 am starting with a breakfast at Nana's Café. The proposals for the solid waste contract are in; we had 3 respondents who we will interview next Tuesday.

E. PROCLAMATION

Mayor Marino proclaimed Saturday, September 20, 2014 as Trinity Trash Bash Day.

F. PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Marino and Community Relations Manager Stephanie Berndt presented Certificates of Appreciation to KeriMarie Sutherland, President of the Parks, Recreation, and Keep Lake Dallas Beautiful Board and Steven Brunson, Vice-President of the Park, Recreation, and Keep Lake Dallas Beautiful Board for going above and beyond with their volunteer assistance for the 4th of July Celebration both before and during the event.

G. REPORTS

1) Boards and Commissions

EDC and CDC met to adopt their budgets for Fiscal Year 2015. The BOA will meet this Monday, August 18th for a continuance of a Certificate of Occupancy issue. Parks Board will meet Monday as well. Planning and Zoning will meet August 21st to hear zoning change requests.

2) Finance

Donna Boner gave the report.

H. VISITORS/CITIZENS AGENDA *In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, the City Council is prohibited from acting on or discussing (other than factual responses to specific questions) any items brought before them at this time. Citizen's comments will be limited to three (3) minutes.*

John Dupont, 309 Georgian Oak, Lake Dallas, came to address the Council regarding noise violations in his neighborhood from barking dogs in the middle of the night.

I. CONSENT AGENDA

- 1) **Consideration and Action to approve the minutes of the July 24, 2014 meeting.**
- 2) **Consideration and Action to approve the July Financials**
- 3) **Consideration and Action to accept the resignations of Bill Knox from the Community Development Board and Wendy Campbell from the Parks, Recreation, and Keep Lake Dallas Beautiful Board and to drop Terra Blackburn from the Parks, Recreation, and Keep Lake Dallas Beautiful Board due to lack of attendance.**

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the minutes of the July 24, 2014 meeting, the July Financials, and accepting the resignations of Bill Knox from the Community Development Corporation, Wendy Campbell from the Parks, Recreation, and Keep Lake Dallas Beautiful Board, and the removal of Terra Blackburn from the Parks, Recreation, and Keep Lake Dallas Beautiful Board due to lack of attendance was made by Councilmember McCaleb and second by Councilmember Harper

Ayes: Councilmembers McCaleb, Harper, and Brooks

Noes: None

Motion Passed

J. WORKSHOP

1) Budget

City Manager Ristagno presented an update to the Fiscal Year 2015 Budget that we have been working on. There was only one change since the last workshop, the addition of \$3,200 for a document scanning and archiving service. City Manager Ristagno said there will be a 20% increase in health care and we budgeted for that amount in anticipation of the increase. Community Relations Manager Stephanie Berndt discussed the need for a new website, presented three proposals for a website, and answered Council's questions. Our current website is 8 years old and creating an updated new City website will benefit our citizens and employees by making many more things available on the website. The cost was built into the budget for next year.

K. BUSINESS

- 1) **Consideration and Action to set the proposed tax rate.**

Motion to set the proposed property tax rate for the next year at .701929 was made by Councilmember Harper and second by Councilmember Brooks.

Ayes: Councilmembers Harper, Brooks, and McCaleb

Noes: None

Motion Passed

- 2) **Consideration and Action to set the dates for the two public hearings on the proposed tax rate.**

Motion to set August 28th and September 11th as the dates for the Public Hearings on the proposed tax rate was made by Councilmember Brooks and second by Councilmember McCaleb.

Ayes: Councilmembers Brooks, McCaleb, and Harper

Noes: None

Motion Passed

3) Consideration and Action to set the date for the public hearing on the FY 2015 Budget.

Motion to set September 11th as the date for the Public Hearings on the proposed Fiscal Year 2015 Budget was made by Councilmember Brooks and second by Councilmember McCaleb.

Ayes: Councilmembers Brooks, McCaleb, and Harper

Noes: None

Motion Passed

4) Consideration and Action to approve the FY15 Budget submitted by the Lake Dallas Economic Development Corporation.

Motion to approve the FY15 Budget submitted by the Lake Dallas Economic Development Corporation was made by Councilmember Brooks and second by Councilmember Harper.

Ayes: Councilmembers Brooks, Harper, and McCaleb

Noes: None

Motion Passed

5) Consideration and Action to approve the FY15 Budget submitted by the Lake Dallas Community Development Corporation.

Motion to approve the FY15 Budget submitted by the Lake Dallas Community Development Corporation was made by Councilmember Brooks and second by Councilmember McCaleb.

Ayes: Councilmembers Brooks, McCaleb, and Harper

Noes: None

Motion Passed

6) Consideration and Action to approve a resolution casting a vote for a member of the Board of Managers for the Denco Area 9-1-1 Emergency Communication District.

Motion to approve a resolution casting a vote for Tom Newel as a member of the Board of Managers for the Denco Area 9-1-1 Emergency Communication District was made by Councilmember Brooks and second by Councilmember McCaleb.

Ayes: Councilmembers Brooks, McCaleb, and Harper

Noes: None

Motion Passed

7) Consideration and Action to approve a resolution supporting a statewide ban on texting while driving.

Motion to approve a resolution supporting a statewide ban on texting while driving was made by Councilmember Brooks and second by Councilmember McCaleb.

Ayes: Councilmembers Brooks, McCaleb, and Harper

Noes: None

Motion Passed

8) Consideration and Action to approve a proposal for a new City website.

Motion to approve a proposal from CivicPlus for a new City website was made by Councilmember Brooks and second by Councilmember McCaleb.

Ayes: Councilmembers Brooks, McCaleb, and Harper

Noes: None

Motion Passed

9) Consideration and Action on future library funding.

City Manager Ristagno said due to several issues that have come up with the Library that he felt it best that we discuss this subject. As we all know, due to the loss of Corinth and the county's funding, there is a shortage of funding. Unfortunately, over the past few weeks there have been some misunderstandings between the cities and the board members in regards to how the Library would go forward. The Mayors are scheduled to meet again and perhaps they can find a solution.

Council chose to take no action on this item.

10) Consideration and Action to approve an ordinance to order an election for November 4, 2014.

City Manager Ristagno explained that the type of projects that the EDC Board can do are not really feasible for our City. The types of projects that do fit our City are the types of projects that the CDC Board can do and an ordinance can be passed allowing CDC to also take on EDC type projects if desired. Under the advisement of our City Attorney, the Council is proposing the voters dissolve the EDC and institute a ¼ cent sales tax for road improvement and a ¼ cent sales tax for property tax reduction. This would be a very beneficial move for the residents of the City if this sales tax money could be shifted to provide better roads and lower property tax rates. The Council is also proposing 3 year Council terms be voted on at this election.

Motion to approve an ordinance to order an election for November 4, 2014 was made by Councilmember Brooks and second by Councilmember McCaleb.

Ayes: Councilmembers Brooks, McCaleb, and Harper

Noes: None

Motion Passed

L. CITY MANAGER REPORT

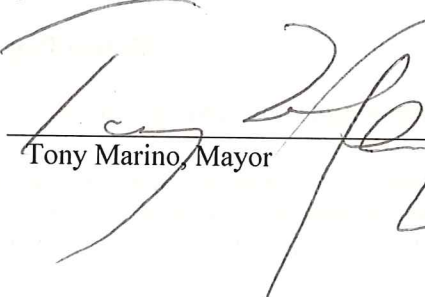
City Manager Ristagno reported that the County will be providing for the funding shortfall that we had on Lakeview. The County may also rehabilitate our Main Street from Lake Dallas Drive all the way to Westlake in concrete. We are very grateful to Commissioner Bobby Mitchell and John Polster for their assistance with improving our roadways. CDC approved a 25 foot Christmas tree as the new community Christmas tree for our annual tree lighting event. Councilmember Harper hopes to make our annual tree lighting a most memorable event for the children of our community.

M. NEW AGENDA ITEMS

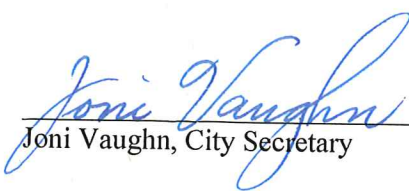
No new items

N. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Marino adjourned the meeting at 9:10 p.m.


Tony Marino, Mayor




Joni Vaughn, City Secretary