

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

The Lake Dallas City Council met in a regular meeting on September 25, 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 7:30 p.m.

A. ROLL CALL

Tony Marino	Mayor
James Harper	Councilmember 1
Mike McCaleb	Councilmember 2
B.W. Brooks	Councilmember 3
Karl Hammond	Councilmember 5

Councilmember Estrada was absent.

Staff Present: City Manager/Police Chief Nick Ristagno; City Secretary Joni Vaughn

B. INVOCATION

Councilmember McCaleb gave the invocation.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Marino led the pledges of allegiance.

D. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Trinity Trash Bash was a huge success with 115 volunteers filling a 6 yard dumpster with trash collected from the area cleaned. There will be a city-wide clean up on October 11th from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. The Lake Dallas Police Department will be conducting another Child ID program on October 11th from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. in the Community Room. This program is paid for through the Child Safety Designated Fund and is free to Lake Dallas residents or \$5.00 per child for non-residents. Early Voting for the November election starts on October 20th. Trunk or Treat will be October 31st from 4-6 p.m. in the parking lot of City Hall. November 4th is Election Day. The Lake Cities Education Foundation Gala will be held at Ashton Gardens on Thursday, November 13th. We received notice from Standard & Poor's that our bond rating has been raised back up to an A- from a poor status of BBB that we were downgraded to in June 2012; this is another positive step in our recovery process.

E. REPORTS

1) Boards and Commissions

The Parks Board met earlier this week to discuss upcoming events.

David Shershen and Neva Sudderth from the Library Board were present with our new librarian, Joe Gunter. David announced that Neva had been elected Chairman of the Library Board. David and Neva introduced Joe Gunter. Mr. Gunter then spoke with Council about his background with other libraries in other states and expressed his excitement about being back home in Texas and happy to be on board with the Lake Cities Community Library.

F. 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.*

No one was present to speak.

G. BUSINESS

- 1) Consideration and Action to approve the minutes of the September 11, 2014 meeting.**

Motion to approve the minutes of the September 11, 2014 meeting was made by Councilmember Hammond and second by Councilmember McCaleb.

Ayes: Councilmembers Hammond, McCaleb, Harper, and Brooks

Noes: None

Motion Passed

- 2) Consideration and Action to adopt an Ordinance that approves and adopts the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Budget for the City of Lake Dallas.**

Motion to adopt an Ordinance that approves and adopts the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Budget for the City of Lake Dallas was made by Councilmember McCaleb and second by Councilmember Hammond.

Ayes: Councilmembers McCaleb, Hammond, Harper, and Brooks

Noes: None

Motion Passed

- 3) Consideration and Action to adopt an Ordinance raising and setting the Maintenance and Operations tax rate and the Debt Service tax rate for Fiscal Year 2014-2015.**

Councilmember Harper requested to be on record with the following comment:

“I know the law says we have to state it as an increase but a rate that remains constant is not by definition mean an increase; it’s the dollars derived which is out of our control, it’s DCAD that does that. We are following the law as the State of Texas has told us to, but their definition of increase is incorrect.”

Motion as required by State of Texas “I move that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of .0701929/\$100, which is effectively a 5.7218 percent increase in the tax rate.” was made by Councilmember Brooks and second by Councilmember McCaleb.

Ayes: Councilmembers Brooks, McCaleb, Harper, and Hammond

Noes: None

Motion Passed

- 4) Consideration and Action to adopt a resolution establishing the review of the Investment Policy.**

Motion to adopt a resolution establishing the review of the Investment Policy was made by Councilmember McCaleb and second by Councilmember Harper.

Ayes: Councilmembers McCaleb, Harper, Brooks and Hammond

Noes: None

Motion Passed

- 5) Consideration and Action to adopt a resolution setting fees for the Master Fee Schedule for Fiscal Year 2014-2015.**

Take No Action

6) Consideration and Action to approve a contract with Denton County Elections for Election services for the November 4th Special Election.

Motion to approve a contract with Denton County Elections for Election services for the November 4th Special Election was made by Councilmember Harper and second by Councilmember McCaleb.

Ayes: Councilmembers Harper, McCaleb, Brooks and Hammond

Noes: None

Motion Passed

7) Consideration and Action to reappoint board members.

Motion to reappoint Carol Ann Connors to the Economic Development Board; Lori Farney to the Community Development Board; Ben Gilbert, Peggy Shelton, Clyde Fisher to the Planning and Zoning Board; Steven Bertrand, Carol Ann Connors to the Board of Adjustment; Cindy Nelson, Steven Brunson to the Parks, Recreation and Keep Lake Dallas Beautiful Board was made by Councilmember Brooks and second by Councilmember Harper.

Ayes: Councilmembers Brooks, Harper, McCaleb, and Hammond

Noes: None

Motion Passed

H. CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Ristagno reported the Lakeview will begin having two way traffic on Saturday. It will still be 15 mph because they will still be doing some construction. It should be completely finished in two weeks. We are not sure when work on Main Street will begin. Pearl Street is a small connector street and in order to do some utility work they had to tear a portion of it up when recent home building was going on. The whole roadway needs to be repaved and LCMUA will split the cost with us. The next road we need to look at for repairs is the east side of Hundley. We have prepared our fact sheet for the EDC election and plan to have two informational meetings regarding the matter.

I. NEW AGENDA ITEMS

None

J. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Marino adjourned the meeting at 8:12 p.m.

Tony Marino, Mayor

Joni Vaughn, City Secretary