

MINUTES
Lefors City Council Meeting
September 11, 2023- Regular Session

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Michael Ray. Present were Council members Ashley Miller, Savanah Kingcade, James Gee, and Aaron Hunt. Council member Jerry Stegall was absent.

Mayor Ray led the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilman Gee said the Invocation.

Public Comments-None

City Judge Kurt Curfman submitted a written report: For the month of August 2023, we had receipts of \$1,125.00. There were several new complaints or citations filed with the Court. These were for state law or City Ordinance violations. At this time, we have an outstanding balance of fines and court costs due to the City of \$11,734.00. All local, state, and federal reports are current at this time. Thank you for your support and confidence.

City Marshal Hayden Gray reported the following to the Council:

Monthly Activity Report (8/1/2023-8/31/2023)

Complaints received: Animal Complaints: 3, Traffic Complaints: 1, Other: 1

Calls for service: On duty: 2 Call-out: 8,

Reports: Criminal Reports: 2, Information Reports: 1

Traffic Stops: 30 Traffic Citations issued: 12

City Ordinance Citations Issued: 2

City Ordinance Warnings issued: 4

Class C Citations Issued: Arrests-1, EDO-1

Nick York, Public Works Director, reported to Council that they have been dealing with numerous leaks and that they are installing approximately a 250' water main on Magnolia to replace a steel line. The aerator at the wastewater plant should be up and running this week, and the parts have been received to repair the clarifier.

Mayor Pro-Tem Kingcade said she wanted to thank all the volunteer firefighters and first responders, the County, the Mayor, the City workers, the City Marshal, and all the other law enforcement and volunteers that worked so hard to save our town during the September 8th fire.

Councilwoman Miller made a motion to approve the items on the consent agenda which included Minutes of the special city council meeting dated August 28, 2023, department reports, and bills. Councilwoman Kingcade seconded. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.

Max Seymour with PRPC was present and introduced himself to the Council. Mr. Seymour will be the contact for the City for the TDA grant the City received to replace some water and sewer mains.

Councilwoman Kingcade made a motion to approve the letter of engagement from Foster, Lambert & Foard to perform the City's audit for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2023. Councilman Gee seconded. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.

Councilwoman Kingcade made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2023-0911-1 designating the Lefors News as the official newspaper of the City of Lefors. Councilman Hunt seconded. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.

Councilman Hunt made a motion to approve second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 2023-0911 regarding increasing wastewater rate and amending wastewater fee in Code of Ordinances. Councilwoman Kingcade seconded. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.

Mayor Ray read and signed a Proclamation declaring October 5, 2023, Lefors Teachers Day. The council went into Executive Session at 7:18, (Texas Government Code §551.074, Personnel Matters) to discuss a complaint filed by a citizen on an employee of the City.

The council returned to Regular Session at 7:59. No action taken.

Councilman Hunt made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Miller seconded. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

City Secretary

Mayor