

**MINUTES**  
**Lefors City Council Meeting**  
**Virtual Meeting via Zoom**  
**February 8, 2021 - Regular Session**

Mayor Michael Ray called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Present were Council members Savannah Kingcade, Ashley Miller, Keith Franks, and James Gee.

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

Larry Franks made comments during Citizens Comments. Franks said he wanted to give the Council a big thank you for their willingness to serve and the selfless job they do for the City. He went on to say he would like to be a liaison between the City and the public and said he would like to see better communication in that area; that a lot of people do not get newspapers or have a computer.

City Judge Kurt Curfman submitted a written report: For the month of January 2021, we had receipts of \$ 255.00. There were 1 new complaints or citation filed with the Court from the Marshal. At this current time, we have an outstanding balance of fines and court costs due the City in the amount of \$9,451.00. We are current on all local, state, and federal reports.

Councilwoman Miller made a motion to approve the consent agenda, including minutes from January 11, 2021 regular meeting, bills, and department reports. Councilwoman Kingcade seconded. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.

Councilman Gee made a motion to install two streetlights on the West end of Sixth Street. Councilwoman Miller seconded. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.

Councilwoman Kingcade made a motion to adopt Resolution 2021-0208-1, a Resolution approving the surcharge related to Docket No. 49831 submitted by Southwestern Public Service Company; authorizing participation in a coalition of similarly situated cities known as the Alliance of Xcel Municipalities; authorizing participation in related rate proceedings; requiring the reimbursement of municipal rate case expenses; authorizing the retention of special counsel; finding that the meeting complies with the open meetings act; and making other findings and provisions related to the subject. Councilman Franks seconded. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.

A discussion was held regarding the price to customers on the gas price per MCF after the first MCF, which is \$15.00. Councilman Franks felt it should be decreased to \$1.50 for each consecutive MCF. Councilman Gee made a motion to decrease the gas price charged to customers from \$4.00 to \$2.00 for each consecutive MCF of gas after the first MCF and to approve the first consideration of Ordinance No. 2021-0208 regarding service fees. Councilwoman Kingcade seconded. Council members Gee, Kingcade, and Miller FOR. Councilman Franks AGAINST. Motion passed.

A discussion was held regarding the sanitation service contract with Wasteco, which expires November 1, 2021 and the possibility of the City resuming our own trash collection. No action taken.

Councilman Franks made a motion to accept a bid from Parsons Roofing in the amount of \$25,518.00 to replace the roof on the City Hall and Civic Center Building. Councilwoman Miller seconded. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.

Councilwoman Miller made a motion to vote FOR Texas Excavation Safety System, Inc.'s Bylaws revision. Councilwoman Kingcade seconded. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.

Councilwoman Kingcade made a motion to vote for Larry Urban with the City's vote for a general member to the Texas Excavation Safety System, Inc. Councilman Gee seconded. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.


Council retired to executive session at 8:00 p.m.

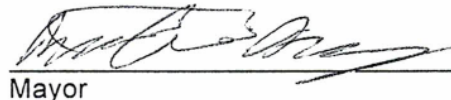
Council returned to regular session at 8:10 p.m.

Councilwoman Kingcade brought forth her motion made in executive session to increase full time employees pay by 3% for a cost-of-living adjustment. Councilwoman Miller seconded. Council members Kingcade, Miller, and Gee voted For. Councilman Franks voted Against. Motion passed. Councilwoman Kingcade noted that it was past time it was done since a COLA increase had not been given since 2013. *(Current employee compensation and length employed is as follows: Michael Baeza \$12.36-2 months; Brody Crupe \$18.54-11 months; Rodney McDowell \$16.48-3 months; Lindy Forsyth \$20.70-15 years.)*

Councilwoman Miller made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Gee seconded. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

  
 City Secretary

  
 Mayor