

# Lavon City Council Meeting Minutes



May 3, 2011

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## I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M. BY MAYOR MARTIN

Members Present: Mayor Norma Martin  
Council Member Place 1, Chris Kane, Mayor Pro-Tem  
Council Member Place 3, Gary Meeks  
Council Member Place 4, Aaron Heatley  
Council Member Place 5, Charles Teske

Members Absent: Council Member Place 2, Deborah Nabors

Staff Present: City Manager, Mike Jones  
City Secretary, Linda Ardis  
Administrative Supervisor, Laura Kennemer  
City Services Coordinator, Jennifer Wolfe  
Chief of Police, Jason Rector

Commission and Board Members: None

## II. MAYOR MARTIN TO LEAD THE COUNCIL AND VISITORS IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Mayor Martin led the City Council and visitors in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## III. INVOCATION

Mayor Pro-Tem Kane led the invocation.

## IV. ITEMS OF INTEREST/CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

**Members of City Council have the opportunity to notify others of community events, functions and other activities. There will also be an opportunity to briefly comment on City Council business, City operations, projects and other items coming before the City Council.**

Council Member Heatley told the Council and audience that Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> the Craft Fair sponsored by the Alumni of the City of Lavon Police Department will be held from 9:00-5:00 p.m. at the Assembly of God Church on Main Street.

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## V. CONSENT AGENDA

None

## VI. PUBLIC RECOGNITION

None

## VII. CITIZENS' COMMENTS

**Citizens, who wish to address the Council, may discuss matters not on the agenda and who have not previously expressed to the Council or City Hall a desire to discuss such matters. The only response from the Council can be to request these items to be placed on a future agenda for action.**

Citizen David Hawkins passed out copies of a proposed plan that the Historic School Restoration Committee had made for landscaping, a playground area and pavilion surrounding the old school building.

Citizen Joan Aquatero told the Council that a 12 year old girl who lives in Grand Heritage wrote an article entitled "How I Love My City." Her article was published in the Connection, a magazine printed for the Wylie/Sachse areas of Collin County.

## VIII. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

None

## IX. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND ACTION

A. City Council to Consider and Act on approving Saturday, June 4, 2011 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. @ NeSmith Elementary as the Town Hall Meeting date and time. The purpose of the meeting is to solicit feedback and citizen perspective related to 24x7 Police Department coverage and other public services funding prior to conducting City Council budget meetings and workshops. (Nabors)

**Motion:** Mayor Pro Tem Kane, "I move we approve Item "A" under Consider Act."

**Second:** Council Member Meeks

**In Favor:** Mayor Pro-Tem Kane, Council Member Meeks, Council Member Heatley and Council Member Teske

**Opposed:** None

**Motion:** Passed

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B. City Council to Consider and Act on Engagement Letter from Conway Company CPA's for audit of City of Lavon FY ending September 30, 2010. (Ardis)

City Secretary Ardis told the Council this was their second choice for the CPA/Auditor they had made for the FY 2009. Mayor Pro-Tem asked how their fee compared from a budgetary standpoint. City Manager Jones said it was higher by \$2,500. City Council Member Teske said he had talked with Mr. Conway and called all the references that he had listed. He felt their role fit better as the Auditors.

**Motion:** City Council Member Teske, "I move we approve Item "B" and accept the Engagement Letter From Conway Company CPA's."

**Second:** Council Member Meeks

**In Favor:** Mayor Pro-Tem Kane, Council Member Meeks, Council Member Heatley and Council Member Teske

**Opposed:** None

**Motion:** Passed

C. City Council to Consider and Act on changing residential property exemptions. (Jones)

City Manager Jones went over the CCAD Residential Property Exemptions calculations for tax dollars based on \$1,000 and \$10,000 exemptions for the categories of Over 65, Over 65 Surviving Spouse, Disable Persons, and 4 classes of Disable Veterans and Freeze Limits with the Council. Citizens Chris Wess, David Hawkins, Don Mauzy, Joan Aquatero, Bruce Foith and Jeaneen Eli gave their input and asked further questions of the Council. Mayor Pro-Tem Kane suggested the Council needed to focus on all pieces of the budget. He suggested waiting until the full budget for FY 2010-2011 would be discussed at the Town Hall Meeting in June. Council Member Meeks also asked that more information from City Manager Jones be given before that meeting concerning the percentage and over-all dollar figure that would impact the City if all these exemptions discussed were approved.

**Motion:** Mayor Pro-Tem Kane, "I move that we table this item until the full budget discussion

**Second:** Council Member Heatley

**In Favor:** Mayor Pro-Tem Kane, Council Member Meeks, Council Member Heatley and Council Member Teske

**Opposed:** None

**Motion:** Passed

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D. City Council to consider and act on the designation of a City Council Alderman to serve as a liaison to the office of the City Secretary as outlined in the Lavon Code of Regulations Section 3.2.5.5B. (Nabors)

City Secretary Ardis told the Council that Council Member Nabors requested this item be tabled until the next meeting.

**Motion:** Mayor Pro-Tem Kane, "I so move."

**Second:** Council Member Meeks

**In Favor:** Mayor Pro-Tem Kane, Council Member Meeks, Council Member Heatley and Council Member Teske

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Motion:** Passed

## X. CITY COUNCIL TO SET FUTURE MEETINGS AND AGENDAS

Council Members and staff may request items to be placed on a future agenda or request a special meeting be called. Each request that passes by a majority vote will be placed on the schedule by the City Secretary.

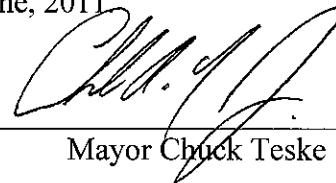
A. Update from Historic School Restoration Committee

B. Financials 2<sup>nd</sup> City Council Meeting of the month

## XI. MAYOR MARTIN TO ADJOURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING


Mayor Martin adjourned the City Council Meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Duly passed and approved on this 5<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2011



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Mayor Chuck Teske

Attest:



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Linda Ardis, City Secretary