

Accident! This truck took a little detour in to the pasture attempting to avoid a deer in the road. The accident happened early Tuesday morning, June 12, 2018, near Tennyson Baptist Church on Highway 277.

Robert Lee City Council Meeting Minutes

The Robert Lee City Council met in regular session May 28, 2018, at 6 pm at City Hall.

Those present included Mayor Allyson Crenshaw, Mayor Pro Tem Roger Alexander, Council Member Brandi Brosh, Council Member Ricky Green, Council Member Janie Munoz, and Council Member Billy Williams.

A quorum was established and the invocation was provided by Roger Alexander.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

There were no citizen comments.

Mayor Pro Tem Roger Alexander made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 14, 2018, Council Meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Ricky Green and the motion carried with a vote of 5 - 0.

Mayor Pro Tem Roger Alexander made a motion, seconded by Council Member Brandi Brosh, to discuss allowing the Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Department (RLVFD) to maintain and control all of the fire department accounts and signature cards.

A request was made by Mark Sides to include the following as signators for fire department accounts and signature cards for the following accounts:

RLVFD Checking - Ryan Stanford, Mark Sides, Ross Torres, Rick Drennan, Roger C. Alexander, Jr.;

RLVFD Savings - Ryan Stanford, Mark Sides, Ross Torres, Rick Drennan, Roger C. Alexander, Jr.;

Relief & Retirement Checking - Ryan Stanford, Mark Sides, Ross Torres, Rick Drennan, Roger C. Alexander, Jr.;

Relief & Retirement Savings)
- Ryan Stanford, Mark Sides,
Ross Torres, Rick Drennan,

Roger C. Alexander, Jr.

Crystal Stanford will maintain the RLVFD bank statements and records.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Roger Alexander to approve of appointing Ryan Stanford, Mark Sides, Ross Torres, Rick Drennan, and Roger C. Alexander, Jr. as signators for the Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Department. The motion, seconded by Council Member Janie Munoz, carried with a vote of 5 - 0.

A motion was made by Council Member Brandi Brosh, seconded by Council Member Ricky Green, to discuss an easement request from AEP. The easement goes through the City landfill and revenue will be in the amount \$1,230. The easement request needs to specify installation only. The Council requests City Attorney Jeff Betty to review the easement request documents. A motion was made by Council Member Brandi Brosh to table the easement request from AEP and was seconded by Council Member Janie Munoz. The motion carried with a vote of 5 -

A motion was made by Council Member Ianie Munoz. seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Roger Alexander, to discuss a citizen's request for water and sewer connections from the City of Robert Lee. City staff state water services may be accessible from the City of Robert Lee, however a sewer connection may be unavailable due to elevation of property. citizen understands and agrees to find other options for sewage. Water and sewer tap fees shall be paid by citizen if connections are available.

A motion was made by Council Member Brandi Brosh to allow City staff to install a water tap and sewer if accessible. The motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Roger Alexander, carried with a vote of 5 - 0.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Roger Alexander to discuss municipal judge options for the City of Robert Lee and was seconded by Council Member Janie Munoz. Judge Jackie Walker resigned from the City of Robert Lee as Municipal Judge in October 2017. Judge Walker is willing to reinstate her duties Municipal Judge. The monthly salary for Municipal Judge services will be in the amount of \$150 per month. A motion was made by Council Member Billy Williams, seconded by Council Member Brandi Brosh, to appoint Judge Jackie Walker as the Municipal Judge for the City of Robert Lee. motion carried with a vote of 5

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Roger Alexander to discuss water billing issues and was seconded by Council Member Brandi Brosh.

The Fire Department \$2.00 donation has always been optional; however the current application for city utility services left this option off. Utility applications will be revised or a separate form will allow citizens an option to donate funds to the Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Department.

City office computers were not networked properly and have not been sharing data with each other causing numerous issues.

Various citizens have multiple accounts and accounts will be consolidated prior to the June bills being mailed out.

In the fall of 2017, the City Council voted and passed a motion that the City of Robert Lee no longer offer payment extensions and/or payment arrangements to citizens. City staff and previous mayor

continued to provide payment extensions against Council's request.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Roger Alexander to consolidate accounts with a past due balance and allow citizens until August 31, 2018, to pay consolidated and past due balances. The motion, seconded by Council Member Ricky Green, carried with a vote of 5 - 0

Council Member Ricky Green made a motion to remove extension agreements and was seconded by Council Member Billy Williams. The motion carried with a vote of 5 - 0.

Council Member Janie Munoz made a motion to list the minimum disconnection amount to be \$100.00 and was seconded by Council Member Ricky Green. The motion carried with a vote of 5 - 0.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Roger Alexander and seconded by Council Member Janie Munoz to table discussion on collection accounts until accounts have been consolidated. The motion carried with a vote of 5 - 0.

Mayor Pro Tem Roger Alexander made a motion, seconded by Council Member Brandi Brosh, to discuss ordinance and code enforcement.

Sheriff Wayne McCutchen presented ordinance enforcement services available to the City of Robert Lee. The Coke County Sheriff's Office can enforce city ordinance and codes within the Robert Lee City limits for \$1,000.00 per month, which would include 4 full time deputies, 24 hour a day/7 days a week coverage, equipment, dispatch, and back-up for officers and animal control worker.

The Council requests an agreement between the City of Robert Lee and the Coke County Sheriff's Office be reviewed by City Attorney Jeff Betty.

A motion was by Council

Member Billy Williams to have City Attorney Jeff Betty review the contract and that a budget amendment include code enforcement expense. The motion was seconded by Council Member Janie Munoz and carried with a vote of 5 - 0.

Mayor Pro Tem Roger Alexander made a motion to discuss animal control and was seconded by Council Member Brandi Brosh.

Mayor Allyson Crenshaw reported the possibility of creating an interlocal agreement with the City of Bronte for one animal control officer and animal shelter for both cities. No action was taken.

A motion was made by Council Member Brandi Brosh, seconded by Council Member Janie Munoz, to discuss the Convenience Center hours and salary.

A suggestion was to hire someone (not a City employee) and contract them as a Convenience Center operator or pay a current city employee their regular hourly wage for the time at the convenience center.

A motion was made by Mayor
Pro Tem Roger Alexander to pay
Roger
City staff the same amount they
are paid as City employees when
working at the Convenience
code by Council Member Ricky Green
and carried with a vote of 5 - 0.

McCutchen Mayor Pro Tem Roger ordinance Alexander made a motion to begin/continue the process of Lee. The hiring of the City Superintendent and was seconded by Council mance and Member Billy Williams. The behavior carried with a vote of 5 - 0.

Council Member Brandi Brosh made a motion to discuss a bid from Precision Construction and was seconded by Council Member Janie Munoz.

A quote was obtained from a previous City Council meeting for glass security at the front desk in the amount \$5,400.00. The City had purchased security cameras months earlier, but cameras had never been utilized.

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