Meeting April 8, 2019

Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Lindsay

Mayor Alderman Scott Neu Klay Gilbert

Jeff Neu Glenn Block Robert Sharp

Sam Sparkman

City Secretary

Monica Laux

Police Chief

Jimmy Yarbrough

Visitors: Bradley Anderle, *TOASE*; Dallas Cothrum, *Masterplan*; Karen Wunsch, *Masterplan*; Kevin Block, Stanley Hess, Tyler Hess, Donna Reed, Steve Snider, *Lindsay Letter*

Alderman Klay Gilbert led the opening prayer and Mayor Scott Neu led the Pledges of Allegiance. The roll call was taken, showing all members present. Establishing a quorum, Mayor Neu called the meeting to order at 7:01PM. After reviewing the Consent Agenda, Jeff Neu made a motion to accept the agenda with a second from Glenn Block. Motion carried 5-0.

Kevin Block and Donna Reed spoke under Citizen Comments regarding a private sewer line and a water drainage issue. Kevin Block commented he does not want his driveway cut (concerning the Bezner/Block sewer line); he requested a bore instead. The request was made by Kevin to be included on May's Council Agenda. Donna Reed presented pictures and stated there is a drainage problem by her house on Seventh Street. She informed the Council the drainage problem started when a neighbor had a new culvert installed.

A motion was made by Glenn Block to replace outgoing Will Bezner on the Planning and Zoning Commission with LuElla Fuhrmann and seconded by Jeff Neu. The motion carried 5-0.

The next item on the agenda was to discuss Masterplan's review of the City of Lindsay's Subdivision Ordinance and the City of Lindsay's Zoning Ordinance. Dallas Cothrum explained to the Council what makes Masterplan a success and how they handle their clients. He explained how cities should handle development and make sure new regulations are being followed. Karen Wunsch explained that some of the City of Lindsay's processes could be improved upon. For example, the infrastructure could have future capacity issues since growth seems to be migrating from the metroplex to this area. The Mayor ask Masterplan to get the top three to five items that are top priority for the Council to review and Council discussion will take place with the upcoming budget.

The City of Lindsay Water Distribution System Evaluation and Capital Improvement Plan from KSA was tabled until May.

At 7:48 PM Mayor Scott Neu and Alderman Jeff Neu excused themselves, due to conflict of interest for the discussion on An Emergency Access Agreement relating to the Nortman Estates. Mayor Pro tem, Sam Sparkman, proceeded with this item on the agenda. After a brief discussion, Klay Gilbert made a motion to accept the agreement with Mayor Pro tem executing the agreement, Robert Sharp seconded. Motion carried 4-0. The Mayor and Alderman Neu returned to the meeting at 7:53PM.

Action was taken on Resolution #040819-1 creating a program for economic development incentives pursuant to Chapter 380 of the Texas Local Government Code. This resolution is a policy that provides general criteria. It is broad enough to cover future growth and projects. Jeff Neu made a motion to accept the resolution, Sam Sparkman seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

The Economic Development Agreement for Stanley Hess was discussed in length when Stanley ask for consideration of water fees and sewer fees to be included in the incentive. Also discussed was the power line currently on this property and the existence of a power easement. Mr. Hess is waiting on a response from Oncor regarding this easement. Bradley Anderle said the city has no responsibility for determining if there is an easement. Bradley Anderle stated the city would like an easement to the north of the property. The discussion ended with a motion from Jeff Neu to accept the agreement with water and sewer billing being part of the \$140,000.00 incentive. The motion was seconded by Klay Gilbert. Motion carried 5-0.

Robert Sharp inquired to Chief Jimmy Yarbough about a reserve police officer. Alderman Sharp requested of Chief Yarbough to submit advertisement in newspapers for a reserve police officer in the areas reaching to Sherman, Nocona and Sanger for the position of reserve police officer to get more visibility in the City of Lindsay.

Klay Gilbert reported on talking with Will Bezner. Mr. Bezner was seeking to determine the City's willingness to help pay for the sewer line on Willow Street. He also inquired about whether a grandfather clause exists if a private sewer line is used for ten years to become the City's? Bradley Anderle stated there is no grandfather clause regarding this. He also stated the City would not allow a private sewer line to be installed today. Mayor Neu explained that Mr. Bezner's sewer line predates the Zoning Ordinance that is presently followed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:32PM

(For more detailed information consult the recording of this meeting available at city hall.)