



May 15th, 2025 at 7:00pm
Regular City Council Meeting Minutes

1. **Call to Order:** Mayor Jennifer Williams called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.
 - A. Roll Call and Certification of a Quorum
 - **Present:** Mayor Jennifer Williams, Mayor Pro Tem Aaron Scott, and Councilmembers Bill Sims, Larry Sutherland, & Paul Eckeberger. **Absent:** Councilmember Randy Page. Quorum Established.
 - B. U.S. & Texas Pledges of Allegiance – Led by Mayor Jennifer Williams
 - C. Invocation – Led by Councilmember Larry SutherlandMayor Williams moved to Item 4, then Item 5.
2. **Announcements:** (Addressed after Item 5)
 - A. Mayor's Legends of Log Cabin Recognition – No nominations received, but Mayor Eckeberger expressed appreciation to Jennifer Williams for her 10 years of faithful service to the City and asked for a round of applause. He continued that he believes that the City has an amazing team, and asked citizens to maintain their patience, spirit of volunteerism, love, and peace, and desire to make this place a better place. He looks forward to serving his two-year term, and with this team.
 - B. Volunteers are needed for upcoming fishing tournaments to help direct traffic in the morning and afternoon on **May 17th, 2025**. Please contact City Hall or email parks@logcabin.texas.gov to sign up – Mayor Eckeberger noted that there are currently some volunteers, but more are welcome.
 - C. City Hall will be closed on Monday, **May 26th, 2025** in observance of Memorial Day
3. **Public Hearings:** None.
4. **Consent Agenda:** Larry Sutherland motioned to approve the Consent Agenda. Bill Sims seconded. All in Favor. Motion Passed.
 - A. April 17th, 2025 City Council meeting minutes
 - B. Treasurer's Report
5. **Election:**
 - A. Review May 3rd, 2025 General Election Canvass Results – Leara Thorp, City Secretary reviewed the official election results.
 - B. Recognition of and remarks from outgoing councilmembers – Ms. Thorp presented Certificates of Appreciation to Mayor Jennifer Williams and Councilmember Bill Sims. The Certificate for Randy Page will be given to him at a later time. Mayor Williams expressed that she has enjoyed serving the city, and it is something that will continue to stay near and dear to her heart. She thanked the employees for all of their hard work and dedication and hopes that the new mayor and council will show the same courtesy and respect to the employees as herself and current council have. Bill Sims stated he appreciated being on Council for two years and has learned so much, good and bad, and has gotten an understanding of what the city needs, and why it isn't there now, and what will hopefully happen in the future. He also expressed gratitude to Mayor Williams for all she has done.
 - C. Issue Certificates of Election & Swear in elected Councilmembers – Mayor Williams presented Certificates of Election to Paul Eckeberger (Mayor) and Roy Linder and Brian LaFlower (Councilmembers). Ms. Thorp administered the Statements of Officer and Oaths of Office, at which point Mayor Paul Eckeberger and Councilmembers Roy Linder and Brian LaFlower joined the dais and assumed their duties. Mayor Eckeberger started with Item 2, then Item 3, then Item 6.

6. Staff, Council, & Department Reports:

- A. Mayor's Report – No report.
- B. Treasurer's Report Review – City Treasurer Alisa Corn
- C. Water Department Report – presented by Ms. Corn (Jeremy Crocker was present but had to leave)
- D. Maintenance Department Report – Presented by Ms. Thorp
- E. Police Report – Chief Sam Commino; presented by Lt. Amy Meyers
 - i. Introduce new Peace Officer Bryan Cook
- F. Ordinance Enforcement Report – Lt. Amy Meyers
 - i. April City Clean Up
- G. Planning and Zoning Commission – Chair Renee Sutherland; presented by Councilmember Larry Sutherland
- H. Parks Committee – No report/no meeting
- I. Log Cabin Volunteer Fire Department – Capt. Jack Kemp; he also advised citizens to call Trinity Valley Electric Company or Oncor for powerline concerns

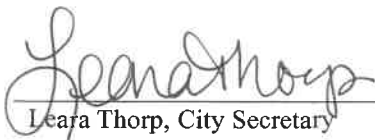
7. Citizen Communication:

- Billy Martinez, Roy Bean, congratulated the newly elected councilmembers, expressed his belief that this is a good set up, then thanked the prior council, Lt. Meyers, and Log Cabin Police Department.
- Councilmember Roy Linder asked attendees to keep Councilmember Randy Page in their prayers due to medical issues. Rick Robertson, W. Travis Ln, provided details, and added that he believes the city is headed in the right direction.
- David Campos, Tom Hickman, submitted a form to speak, but opted to speak during his agenda item.

8. Action Items: *City Council will discuss, consider, and take any action deemed necessary on items listed in this section, including the adoption of a minute order, a resolution, or an ordinance.*

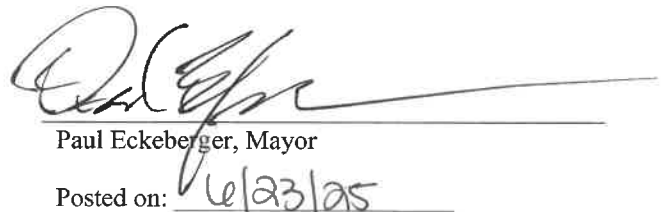
- A. Lexi Pena, 14914 Goliad Dr., building permit application review for new 1,493 sq. ft. manufactured home – Lexi Pena was present. Ms. Thorp provided information and confirmed that the information the P&Z Commission requested was submitted. Council discussed. Larry Sutherland motioned to approve the building permit for 14914 Goliad Dr. Brian LaFlower seconded. All in Favor. Motion Passed.
- B. David Campos, property lien placed on 14549 Santa Anna Trail, Section 6 Lots 951 & 952 – David Campos was present and provided information regarding a lien on his property and asked the Council to delete or reduce the lien due to hardship and circumstances. He also noted there is a lien on his property on Cherokee Ln. Ms. Thorp provided information about the lien on Santa Anna. Council discussed. Brian LaFlower motioned to take it back and get rid of the lien; motion failed for lack of a second. Council discussed and determined to take no action for more research, and place on the June meeting agenda. No action.
- C. Discuss nominations for the vacant for 1 year term, unexpired Council Seat, declared at the May 13th, Special Council Meeting to canvass election results – Mayor Eckeberger shared that applications are available at City Hall for anyone that would like to fill the vacancy on Council. Applicants will meet with Mayor Eckeberger, then interview with Council. No action.
- D. Ordinance 70A Sales Tax and Use – Ms. Thorp presented information. Larry Sutherland motioned to approve Ordinance 70A for the Sales Tax and Use. Roy Linder seconded. All in Favor. Motion Passed.
- E. Discussion and Review of Ordinance 87 Duties and Responsibilities of Mayor and Councilmembers – Mayor Eckeberger suggested taking no action until Council has had a chance to review the ordinance; he had concerns about definitions and wanted clarification on some things and Council agreed. No action.
- F. Resolution 25-02 Appoint Mayor Pro-Tem – Larry Sutherland motioned to keep Aaron [Scott], thinks he is doing a good job as our Mayor Pro Tem. Brian LaFlower seconded. Aaron Scott affirmed he was willing to serve. In Favor: Brian LaFlower, Larry Sutherland, and Roy Linder. Against: None. Abstain: Aaron Scott.

- G. Update Bank Signatories – Larry Sutherland motioned to remove Jennifer Williams off of all of the accounts and add Mayor Paul Eckeberger to the accounts for the signatories. Aaron Scott seconded. All in Favor. Motion Passed.
- H. Resolution 25-03 Designating an Officer to Calculate the Tax Rate for 2025 – Larry Sutherland motioned to make Paul Eckeberger for Resolution 25-03 designating him as the officer to calculate tax rate for 2025. Roy Linder seconded. All in Favor. Motion Passed.
- I. Discuss nominations for Parks Committee – Ms. Thorp shared that three positions on the Parks Committee are open - Chair, Vice-Chair, and Treasurer - and that Leta Silvernail had reached out to serve as vice-chair. Council discussed; it was noted that one seat that must be filled by a Councilmember. No action until the Council vacancy is filled.
- J. Henderson County Tax Assessor 2025-26 Collection Contract for property taxes – Council discussed. Aaron Scott motioned to approve the Henderson County Tax Assessor 2025-2026 Collection Contract for property taxes. Larry Sutherland seconded. All in Favor. Motion Passed.
- K. Review proposals for site review of CDV21-0094 Water Line project to compare as-built plans with work completed by third party – Ms. Thorp provided an update. The City reached out to two engineer firms, one withdrew their proposal. Council discussed the situation. No action.
- L. Consider/discuss authorization to issue requests for proposals (RFP) for administrative and plan development services for the Community Development Block Grant - Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) grant programs administered by the Texas General Land Office (GLO) – Rob Barthen, with GrantWorks, Inc., presented information regarding the grant opportunity for future planning and studies. Council discussed. It was noted that there is not a required city match. Aaron Scott motioned to authorize to issue requests for proposals for administrative and plan development services for the Community Development Block Grant administered by the Texas General Land Office. Larry Sutherland seconded. All in Favor. Motion Passed.
- M. Consider/take action on the City live streaming council meetings – Aaron Scott presented information. Council discussed. No action for further research.
- N. Consider/take action on the purchase of equipment to be used to live stream the Council meetings – No action.
- O. Schedule June Council workshops for Council Orientation and Budget – Council discussed and determined to meet on Wednesdays at 7:00pm for budget workshops, and to meet on May 21st for an orientation workshop.
9. **Adjournment** – Mayor Eckeberger adjourned the meeting at 9:15pm.



Lera Thorp, City Secretary

Approved by Council on: June 19th, 2025



Paul Eckeberger, Mayor

Posted on: 6/23/25