

**CITY OF EAGLE LAKE
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
MAY 11, 2021**

TIME: 7:00 P.M.

**PLACE: Municipal Building
(844) 855-4444
Access Code: 7409250**

A. Call Meeting to Order.

The City Council of the City of Eagle Lake convened in regular session and allowed public attendance via zoom and telephonic means on the 11th day of May 2021, with the following members present:

Mayor:	Mary Parr
Alderwomen:	Rene Cooper Gaye Lynn Thomas
Aldermen:	Michael Cooper Larry Contreras Carlos Gonzalez John Young
City Administrator:	Melissa Landin
City Secretary:	Lina Ferguson

B. Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Invocation.

Chief Federico Garza Jr. delivered the invocation.

D. Public Comments: Any person may comment on any subject, but Council must limit any discussion to placing the items on a future City Council agenda for discussion and/or action. (Comments made under this agenda item are limited to three (3) minutes per person. City Council members are excluded from public comments. This is in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act.)

None.

E. Consent Agenda

All of the following items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and will be enacted with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless requested by the Mayor or a Council Member, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

1. Previous Minutes – April 27, 2021 Regular Meeting
2. Payment of Accounts.

Alderman M. Cooper made the motion to approve the minutes of the April 27, 2021 regular meeting and payment of accounts as presented. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman R. Cooper and it carried with all members voting AYE.

F. Items for Discussion and Action

3. Discussion and Action on Approval of Ordinance Canvassing the Returns of the Municipal Election and Declaring the Results of the Election Held on Saturday, May 1, 2021. – Lina Ferguson, City Secretary

Mayor Parr presented the official results of the May 1, 2021 election for Three Aldermen. Mayor Parr, as Presiding Officer of the Canvassing Authority, certified the summary results that were received from Colorado County Elections and presented Ordinance No. 2021-02: An Ordinance of the City of Eagle Lake, Texas, canvassing the returns and declaring the results of the election held on May 1, 2021, for Three Aldermen.

Aldermen Candidates	Votes Received
Gaye Lynn Thomas	116
Rene Cooper	120
Carlos Gonzalez	100
Michael Cooper	112
Total Votes Cast:	197

Alderman M. Cooper made the motion to approve **Ordinance No. 2021-02** as written. The motion was seconded by Alderman Gonzalez and it carried with all members voting AYE.

The ordinance is numbered **2021-02**, and its caption reads **"AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EAGLE LAKE, TEXAS, CANVASSING THE RETURNS AND DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE ELECTION HELD ON MAY 1, 2021, FOR THREE ALDERMEN"**.

4. Presentation of Certificate of Appreciation to Outgoing Alderman. – Mary Parr, Mayor

Mayor Parr read the Certificate of Appreciation that was prepared and presented to outgoing Alderman Gonzalez. Mayor Parr thanked and expressed her appreciation for his dedication to the City of Eagle Lake.

5. Administer Oaths of Office to Newly Elected Alderwomen and Alderman. – Melissa Landin, City Manager

Mayor Parr administered the Oath of Office to re-elected Alderwoman R. Cooper, Alderman M. Cooper and newly elected Alderwoman Gaye Lynn Thomas.

6. Presentation of Unadjusted Financial Statement for October 1, 2020 to April 30, 2021. – Melissa Landin, City Manager

City Bookkeeper Mike Martinez presented the unaudited and unadjusted financial statement for October 1, 2020 to April 30, 2021. Mr. Martinez reviewed the expenditures and revenue in the General Fund, Utility Fund and Airport Fund. The additional revenue received from the Coronavirus Relief Fund – CARES Grant funds is not reflected in the funds. City Administration will be presenting an adjusted Financial Statement along with an Ordinance for approved budget amendments.

G. Presentation and Discussion of Reports. – Melissa Landin, City Manager

7. Administration

- Draft Rules of Procedure for City Council: To Be Updated.
- Salary Chart/Salary Ranges.
- FEMA – Grant is in progress.
- American Rescue Plan Act of 2021- In progress.
- City of Eagle Lake Website – Launching has been delayed until staff receives training.

8. Public Works

- Water Meters and CRF – Pending funding.
- Swimming Pool Update – Progress has been made and works continues. The pool will be filled with water next week and the anticipated opening date will be the first week in June.
- Rabies Vaccination Clinic May 20 - The rabies clinic will be held at the community center on May 20 from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. PUPS will not be in attendance, but Boarding for Rescues will be present to provide microchipping.
- Parks & Recreation/Farmers Market or Market Days – A community meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 13 at 6:00 p.m.

9. Police Department

- Outstanding Warrants – Chief reported that they have started servicing the warrants in town and continue to move forward.
- CopSync – Chief reported that CopSync is a mobile unit program that will assist the officers in simplifying their work. It provides them access to data that is needed while performing their duties. Officers will be able to patrol the streets longer since they will be able to do some of their paperwork in the car.
- Peace Officers Memorial Ceremony May 14 – Chief invited everyone to attend the ceremony on Friday, May 14 at 3:00 p.m.

10. Municipal Court

- Collaborative Meeting held May 5 with County – Judge Stan Warfield reported that a meeting was held with eight members present to discuss the continuing problem with juvenile offenders. Judge Warfield explained that it is difficult in dealing with misdemeanor crimes committed by juveniles and the police officers are limited in the handling of the incidents. Alderman Contreras asked that information be provided to the public to explain the Juvenile Justice System.

11. Airport

- Airport Agreements and Procedures: Ongoing.

- Schedule Airport Advisory Committee Meeting held May 4, 2021 – The meeting was well attended, and another meeting will be scheduled to continue taking a step forward.

12. Code Enforcement

- Building Official/Inspector/Code Enforcement Vacancy – Vacancy has been posted and interest has been received.

H. Council Reports

- Expressions of thanks, congratulations, or condolences;
- Information regarding holiday schedules;
- An honorary or salutary recognition of a public official, public employee, or other citizen, except that a discussion regarding a change in the status of a person's public office or public employment is not an honorary or salutary recognition for purposes of this subdivision;
- A reminder about an upcoming event organized or sponsored by the governing body;
- Information regarding a social, ceremonial, or community event organized or sponsored by an entity other than the governing body that was attended or is scheduled to be attended by a member of the governing body or an official or employee of the political subdivision; and
- Announcements involving an imminent threat to the public health and safety of people in the political subdivision that has arisen after the posting of the agenda.

Alderman M. Cooper reported that a citizen informed him that Sgt. Jeremy Buckley assisted in a police call and she appreciated his handling of her husband during the situation.

Mayor Parr expressed appreciation to City staff for all their hard work and the accomplishments that have been made.

I. Future Agenda Items: *List of additional agenda items to provide the City Manager for future Council meetings – without discussion and taking no action.*

None.

J. Executive Session

Mayor Parr called the meeting into executive session at 7:33 p.m. in order to deliberate the two items listed below. The meeting was called back into regular session at 8:24 p.m.

13. Real Estate Matters; Closed Meeting, Tex. Gov't Code 5 551.072: Real estate matters related to the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property for the City of Eagle Lake.

14. Consultation with Attorney; Closed Meeting, Tex. Gov't Code 5 551.071.

K. Return to Public Session

15. Consider and Act Upon Executive Session Items.

No action was taken by Council.

L. Adjournment.

There being no further business on the meeting's agenda, Mayor Parr declared the meeting adjourned.



MARY PARR, MAYOR

ATTEST:



LINA FERGUSON, CITY SECRETARY