

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2013 @ 5:30 P.M.  
CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS, 214 S. LOVE STREET**

**Present and answering roll call:** Mayor Drummond, Commissioners Trujillo, Bengé, and Granath.

**Not Present:** Commissioner Gandy and City Attorney McMahan

**Also present:** City Manager Williams, Chief of Police Bryant, City Clerk Hogue, Administrative Assistant Gutierrez, and Finance Director Stephens.

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Mayor Drummond at 5:30 p.m.

**Invocation:** Commissioner Granath gave the invocation

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Commissioner Granath led the pledge

**Approval of Agenda:** Mayor Drummond asked for a motion to approve the agenda as submitted. Commissioner Trujillo so moved. Commissioner Bengé seconded. Motion was approved.

**Approval of the Regular Minutes of January 28 & Called Minutes February 4, 2013:** Mayor Drummond asked for a motion for approval of the regular minutes of January 28 & Called Minutes of February 4, 2013. Commissioner Trujillo so moved. Commissioner Granath seconded. Mayor Drummond called for a vote. Motion was approved.

**NON-ACTION ITEMS:**

**Discussion of Quarterly Financial Report Format:** Finance Director Stephens prepared a new format for the financial reports for the Commissioners to review and has attached a finance report as an example. Mayor Drummond & Commissioner Trujillo stated it was easy to read. City Manager Williams mentioned a link on our website where the Commissioners could view and print the Commission packet.

**Discussion of Lea County Administrative & Judicial Complex Master Plan Update:** City Manager Williams attended the Lea County Commission meeting on February 7, 2013, an update was provided by the consultants who the County has hired for the Lea County Administrative & Judicial Master Plan. The Courthouse could include the Magistrate Court in the judicial building and could add a total of six judges/courtrooms. A total of 695 surveys were distributed between October 9<sup>th</sup> and November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2012. One survey was distributed to Court Patrons/Jurors and a separate but similar survey was distributed to County and Court employees.

- Jurors are the largest block of visitors to the Courts and represent 38.6% of respondents.
- About 94% of respondents drove to the Courthouse.
- 65% indicated they didn't visit any restaurants at all.
- Of those that did indicate restaurant patronage, 65% indicated they drove to a restaurant outside downtown.
- 53% indicated they didn't use any downtown businesses.
- 81% indicated they have not made any retail purchases in Lovington.
- Of those indicating having made a retail purchase (125 respondents), almost 74% indicated purchases valued at less than \$50.

A site has not been selected for the Judicial Court. The State does not fund for a courthouse. John Graham addressed the Commissioners and would like that they ask the people from Lovington and business owners about their opinion.

### **ACTION ITEMS:**

**Consideration of Approval of Resolution 021113-01-Opposing Lesser Prairie Chicken Listing:** Mayor Drummond called for a motion to approve the resolution. Commissioner Granath so moved. Commissioner Trujillo seconded. Motion was approved.

**Consideration of Appointment to SNMEDD Council of Governments City Representative:** Mayor Drummond called for a motion to appoint City Manager Williams as City Representative. Commissioner Trujillo so moved. Commissioner Granath seconded. Motion was approved.

**Consideration of Accounts Payables:** Mayor Drummond called for a motion to approve the Accounts Payables. Commissioner Trujillo so moved. Commissioner Bengé seconded. Motion was approved.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mayor Drummond called for public comment: None

**CLOSED SESSION:**

At 5:50 p.m., Commissioner Trujillo moved to adjourn Regular Session and convene in Closed Session Pursuant to Section 10-15-1 NMSA 1978, Subsection H-8-Discussion of the purchase, acquisition, or disposal of real property. Commissioner Granath seconded and a roll call vote was taken: Mayor Drummond, aye; Commissioner Trujillo, aye; Commissioner Benge, aye; and Commissioner Granath, aye.

At 5:55 p.m., Commissioner Trujillo moved to adjourn Closed Session and reconvene in Regular Session stating that matters discussed were limited only to those specified in the motion for closure and no action was taken. Commissioner Benge seconded and a roll call vote was taken: Mayor Drummond, aye; Commissioner Trujillo, aye; Commissioner Benge, aye; and Commissioner Granath, aye.

**OTHER:**

City Manager Williams stated:

- Interviews will begin this week for Assistant City Manager.
- Code Enforcer Brock & Fire Chief Lizardo are concentrating on ordinances such as Planning & Zoning, Dangerous Buildings, Nuisances and will be presented to board members of the P&Z on their meeting Wednesday, February 20, 2013.
- The City has received the check from Legendary Services on their closing agreement.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

**APPROVED:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**DIXIE DRUMMOND, MAYOR**

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**CAROL ANN HOGUE, CITY CLERK**