CALL TO ORDER
Mayor Ruben Gonzalez called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM

ROLL CALL
Mayor Ruben Gonzalez, Alderman Sam Cortez, Alderman David Emery, Alderman Michael Rodriguez and Alderman Joseph Morrow were present.

Alderman Charles Cate was absent.

Staff Present: City Administrator Matthew Dear, Finance Director LaNet Hester, Animal Control Director Santiago Morantez, Police Chief Richard Priest, Public Works Director James McGrath, Code Compliance Officer Skip Traeger, Library Director Cassandra Cortez and City Attorney Jessie Lopez.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES FLAG
Led by Mayor Ruben Gonzalez

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD
No Citizens to be heard

CONSENT AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
  i. Alderman Michael Rodriguez made the motion, seconded by Alderman Sam Cortez to approve the minutes of November 14, 2022. A vote was taken (4:0 all ayes) the motion carried by all present.
  ii. Alderman Michael Rodriguez made the motion, seconded by Alderman David Emery to approve the minutes of November 28, 2022. A vote was taken (4:0 all ayes) the motion carried by all present.

APPROVAL OF BILLS
  i. Alderman David Emery made the motion, seconded by Alderman Michael Rodriguez to approve the item, and authorize Finance Director LaNet Hester to make payments. A vote was taken (4:0 all ayes) the motion carried by all present.
PUBLIC HEARING

i. Mayor Gonzalez opened the hearing at 6:35 p.m. He closed the meeting at 6:36 p.m.

OPEN SESSION – ACTION ITEMS

a. Update from Local Health Authority on COVID and other community health issues
   i. Dr. Neil updated council via telephone regarding COVID, RSV, the flu, strep throat and other health issues that have been occurring around the community.

b. Consider and Act upon authorizing an Engineering Services Contract in the amount of $21,365 with TRC Engineering Services for the 2022-2023 Street Improvements Project
   i. A motion was made by Alderman David Emery, seconded by Alderman Sam Cortez to approve the item. A vote was taken (4:0 all ayes) the motion carried by all present.

c. Consider and Act upon authorizing an Engineering Services Contract in the amount of $1,446,138 with TRC Engineer Services for Water Treatment Plant Proposed Plan Expansion Project
   i. A motion was made by Alderman David Emery, seconded by Alderman Sam Cortez to approve the item. A vote was taken (4:0 all ayes) the motion carried by all present.

d. Consider and Act upon the nomination of the Lytle Volunteer Fire Department for the Annual Citizenship Award
   i. A motion was made by Alderman Michael Rodriguez, seconded by Alderman Sam Cortez to approve the item. A vote was taken (4:0 all ayes) the motion carried by all present.

e. Consider and Act upon authorizing an Engineering Services Contract with TRC in the amount of $4,000 to review the application from Lytle Loft Self Storage, LLC to re-zone and plat a 12.472-acre tract located at 19750 IH 35, Lytle, Texas
   i. A motion was made by Alderman Michael Rodriguez, seconded by Alderman David Emery to approve the item. A vote was taken (4:0 all ayes) the motion carried by all present.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

   i. Nothing to report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM CITY COUNCIL AND CITY STAFF

1. Thanked Chief Priest and Santiago for setting up the information regarding the pet adoption.
2. Thanked Public Works setting up at multiple areas and the hayride, thanked Matt for helping too.
3. Thanked Paola for taking the time with the Christmas decorations, the Holiday Dinner, and the Hayride.
4. Thanked PD for keeping the safety at the hayride doing an excellent job with the trailers. There were 1,184 attendees.
5. Thanked LaNet, Darcey and all the volunteers, Auxiliary, VFW, band, Richard Hughes with the DJ music at the memorial park.
6. Mr. Emery told council that Mr. Chessher took some of the band students to do their UIL concert that morning to Pleasanton to reginal finals and then came straight to City Hall to play.
7. Reminder that TxDOT will still be working on the frontage road of the Best Western side then after the holidays they will work on the other side.
8. PD & PW kudos on getting the sirens back up and running 100 percent.
9. Seniors to meals will start in January, please pass the word out.
10. Reminder taking submissions for elections, Districts 1, 2 & 3 are up.
11. Reminded all Council members to turn in their financial forms.
12. Wayne’s Birthday was today, Anthony and David on the 21st, LaNet stated Liza’s was on the 11th.
13. Whished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and reminded everyone that there will be no second council meeting this month.

ADJOURNMENT
Alderman David Emery made the motion, seconded by Alderman Sam Cortez to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 p.m. A vote was taken (4:0 all ayes) the motion carried by all present.