

City Council Members

Marie Middleton  
Philip Loving  
Arthur Fuhrmann  
Gregory Norman  
Johnnie Tauber

**The City of Liverpool**  
**Regular City Council Meeting Minutes**  
**8901 CR 171, Liverpool, TX**  
**September 2, 2025, AT 6:30 PM**  
**Mayor, Lowell Matheny**

Hours of Operation  
Mon-Thurs 8:00am – 5:00pm  
Friday 8:00am – Noon  
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**CALL TO ORDER**- Mayor Lowell Matheny called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM

**INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**-

- Invocation was rendered by Council Member Johnnie Tauber
- Pledge of Allegiance and the Allegiance to the Texas flag was led by Johnnie Tauber

**ROLL CALL**- Catherine Long called attendance.

- All Council Members were present
- Council Member Philip Loving absent

**STAFF IN ATTENDANCE** -

City Secretary, Catherine Long; Police Chief, Christopher Enloe; City Clerk, Kim Calhoun, CPA Phyllis Herbst; Emergency Manager Brandon Middleton

**UNSCHEDULED VISITORS & COMMENTS** -

Peyton Henney was present and stated that he wanted to let Council know that he sold his RV park on 35 and wanted to make sure that the petition for release from the ETJ, and the annexation into Oak Manor was still good with the sale of the property. The new owners of the RV park was present Micheal Cordege. Council stated that it was still in place.

**CLOSED MEETING/EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The City Council of the City of Liverpool, Texas, reserves the right to meet in a closed council session on any of the below items should the need arise and if applicable pursuant to authorization by Title 5, Chapter 551, of the Texas Government Code.

-No executive Session.

**PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2025-2026 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET**

**NOTICE OF HEARING, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIVERPOOL, TEXAS WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OF OCTOBER 1, 2025 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2026. THIS BUDGET WILL RAISE MORE TOTAL PROPERTY TAXES THAN LAST YEAR'S BUDGET BY \$4,581.49 AND THE PERCENTAGE OF THE INCREASE IS 7.068219% AND OF THAT AMOUNT \$816.13 IS TAX REVENUE TO BE RAISED FROM NEW PROPERTY ADDED TO THE ROLL THIS YEAR.**

Mayor Matheny called 3 times for anyone that wanted to discuss the budget. Noone spoke.

Mayor Matheny closed the hearing at 6:36 PM

**REGULAR AGENDA** – Opened at 6:36 PM

**NEW BUSINESS** – Discussion and Possible Action may be taken on the following:

- a. No Through Truck Ordinance (Ordinance No: 2025-F)

Mayor Matheny stated that this ordinance was to help prevent and to set a fine for big trucks coming down CR 171, which is already a no through truck route. Council Member Johnnie Tauber asked if this meant that the trucks could come down CR 171 for deliveries, Chief Enloe

stated that no trucks could come down CR 171, that if they were making a delivery, they would have to come down CR 192.

-Motion to adopt Ordinance No: 2025-F – No Through Truck was made by Council member Marie Middleton.  
-2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Greg Norman  
-All Approved

b. Alcohol on city property (Ordinance No: 2012-G)

Mayor Matheny stated that he wanted to look at the ordinance and discuss changing the fine amount and to get a variance for cook off fundraisers. Council Member Johnnie Tauber asked if there was going to be any selling of alcohol at the events. City Secretary, Catherine Long, stated that there would not be any selling of alcohol, it was strictly for the cook-off teams to provide their own alcohol for the events.

-Motion was made by Council Member Marie Middleton to amend the ordinance to a minimum of \$50.00 fine and for there to be a variance for cook-offs.  
-2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Johnnie Tauber.  
-All Approved.

c. John Cole – building permit (2024-120-B) at 3102 St. Anne Street.

-Mr. Cole was not present.  
-No action was taken

d. Industrial Agreement Contract, ordinance number 2025-F for Hugh Landrum and Associates, Inc.

It was approved on last month's agenda.

-No action was taken.

e. Bently – possible annexation of The Venue located at 7512 CR 171, Alvin, Texas.

Mr. Bently stated that he currently has water from Aqua and that it is not working out for him. And that he wants to be in the City Limits of Liverpool so that he can receive city services. He explained that The Venue is a place to rent for parties, weddings, and things like that.

-Motion was made by Council Member Marie Middleton to annex The Venue into city limits.  
-2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Arthur Fhurmann  
-All Approved

f. Investment Policy review.

Tabled due to no information being available.

**OLD BUSINESS** –Discussion and possible action may be taken on the following items:

a. Artemio Volasco dedicated roadway to property located on Peral Street off of CR 171 (Tomas Reyes)

Mayor Matheny stated that there was some confusion regarding who was wanting to clear the roadway to get to their property. Mr. Reyes is the one that came in and asked, however, he represented Artemio Volasco.

-Motion was made by Council Member Marie Middleton to approve the name change from Tomas Reyes to Artemio Volasco.  
-2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Arthur Fhurmann  
-All Approved

b. Consideration and possible action to approve Ordinance 2025-01

AN ORDINANCE APROVING AND ADOPTING THE CITY OF LIVERPOOL, TEXAS GETNAL FUND BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2025/2026; MAKING APPROPRIATION FOR THE CITY FOR SUCH YEAR AS REFELCTED IN SAID BUDGET; AND CONTAINING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SUBJECT.

The following is the votes from Council and Mayor.

Lowell Matheny	Yae
Philip Loving	Absent
Greg Norman	Yae
Johnnie Tauber	Yae
Arthur Fuhrmann	Yae
Marie Middleton	Yae

Budget passes

c. Consideration and possible action to approve Ordinance 2025-02

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ASSESSMENT, LEVY AND COLLECTION OFAD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE CITY OF LIVERPOOL, TEXAS FOR THE YEAR 2025/2026, AND FOR EACH YEAR THERAFTER UNTIL OTHERWISE PROVEDE; PROVIDING THE DATE ON WHICH SUCH TAXES SHALL BE DUE AND PAYABLE; PROVIDING THE PENALTY AND INTEREST ONF ALL TAXES NOT TIMELY PAID; AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITHIN. THIS TAX RATE WILLRAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE BY \$3765.39.

-Council Member Marie Middleton stated," I move that the property tax rate in increased by the adoption of a tax rate of .120395 cents, which is effectively a 7.068219 percent increase in the tax rate. This tax rate consists of .120395 cents for maintenance taxes."

The following is the votes from Council and Mayor.

Lowell Matheny	Yea
Philip Loving	Absent
Greg Norman	Yea
Johnnie Tauber	Yea
Arthur Fuhrmann	Yea
Marie Middleton	Yea

Tax rate passes

d. Post Disaster Debris Removal Services – RFP 2025-01

Mayor Matheny stated that there was only 1 bid packet turned in from Santa Fe Sunrise Construction Company. And he opened the bid. He then stated that since there was only one bid, the job would be awarded to Sante Fe Sunrise Construction for debris removal services.

e. Debris Monitoring Services – PRF 2025-02

Mayor Matheny stated that there was only 1 bid packet turned in from TLC Engineering. And he opened the bid. He then stated that since there was only one bid, the job would be awarded to Sante Fe Sunrise Construction for debris removal services.

**STAFF/COUNCIL REPORTS:**

- a. Police Department – Chief Christopher Enloe reported that they worked 498 hours, they had 117 violation, and 40 warnings, 0 criminal offense, 2 ordinance offense, 35 dispatched calls, 3 miscellaneous offenses, 3 report taken, 0 departmental arrest was made, and 11 assist other agency arrest.
- b. Finance – City Secretary, Catherine Long reported the Auditors are working on the audit and that it should be completed soon. Also, there is a new law stating that Audits have to be completed by April of the following year.
- c. Fire Department/ESD – Noone was present.
- d. Town Hall Committee – President Catherine Long reported that the next event is a Halloween Party and that Town Hall needs volunteers to help run the party, and that they are taking donations for Kids Harbor for costumes and pumpkins.
- e. City Council – Johnnie Tauber stated that he wants to put on the agenda for next month, a building application for a manufactured building that he is purchasing and making into his home.
- f. Water Department – Water Plant Operator, Evan Kirpatrick was not present. However, City Clerk, Kim Calhoun stated that the fire hydrant on CR 171 was fixed, and that the new buster pump motor came in and that it will be changed out soon.
- g. Emergency Management Coordinator – Emergency Manager, Brandon Middleton thankfully it is quite.
- e. Court Clerk – Court Clerk Kim Calhoun reported the amount of money taken in by the City was \$5863.94, total for the State was \$4557.06, total for the other was \$0.00 for a Total collection of \$10421.00.

**ADJOURNMENT-**

- Motion by Council Member Arthur Fuhmann to adjourn the meeting @ 7:15 PM.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Marie Middleton
- All approved

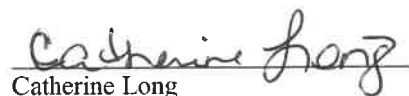
**CERTIFICATION**

I, Lowell Matheny, Mayor, certify that these minutes are a true and correct record of the above-mentioned council meeting.



Lowell Matheny  
Mayor

**ATTEST:**



Catherine Long  
City Secretary