

MEETING CITY OF DENHAM SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL
6:00 P.M. MUNICIPAL BUILDING AUGUST 24, 2020

The Meeting of the Denham Springs City Council, convened at 6:00 p.m. on August 24, 2020, VIA Zoom Video Conference with Mayor Gerard Landry presiding.

It was noted that Mayor, all Council Members and the press were notified according to state law.

INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Robert Poole.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Upon roll call, the following members of the City Council were present: Amber Dugas, Lori Lamm-Williams, Robert Poole and Laura Smith. Jeff Wesley was absent. A quorum being present the Council Meeting was convened.

Staff present: Joan LeBlanc, City Clerk; Stephanie Hulett, City Attorney; Michelle Hood, City Treasurer; Rick Foster, Building Official; Richard Stafford, Fire Chief.

1. Approve as published in the official journal minutes of the August 11, 2020 City Council Meeting.

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Poole, the City Council approved the minutes of August 11, 2020 City Council Meeting.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Dugas, Lamm-Williams, Poole, Smith
Nays: None
Absent: Wesley
Abstain: None

2. Discuss and take appropriate action on a request from Ronald Dunham with Le Chien Brewing Company, LLC dba Le Chien Brewing Company, for a Retailer Class A-R-High (Restaurant) Alcohol Permit, for the business located at 101 S. Hummel St., Denham Springs, LA.

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Poole, the City Council approved a request from Ronald Dunham with Le Chien Brewing Company, LLC dba Le Chien Brewing Company, for a Retailer Class A-R-High (Restaurant) Alcohol Permit, for the business located at 101 S. Hummel St., Denham Springs, LA.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Dugas, Lamm-Williams, Poole, Smith
Nays: None
Absent: Wesley
Abstain: None

3. Discuss and take appropriate action on a variance request for a site area requirement from 5 acres to 0.60acre request for Lots 9, 11, & 13 of Miley's Subdivision located in Section 59, T6S-R2E, G.L.D., City of Denham Springs, Livingston Parish, Louisiana (V-1003). Requested by Bradley Barber. (230 Capitol St.)

Speakers (developers, owners, staff of Empower 225, attorneys) in favor of variance: Brad Barber, Ryan Frith, Scott Chenevert, Jennifer Doughty, Michelle Gros, Rhonda Hodnett, Susan Rogers.

Speakers (neighbors & business owners) against the variance: Kyla Randazzo, Lori Callais, Ivy Graham, Carl Karnish, Murry Wennerlund, Steven Farber.

40+ participants on Zoom meeting.

Upon motion of Poole, seconded by Dugas, the City Council *denied* a variance request for a site area requirement from 5 acres to 0.60acre request for Lots 9, 11, & 13 of Miley's Subdivision located in Section 59, T6S-R2E, G.L.D., City of Denham Springs, Livingston Parish, Louisiana (V-1003). (230 Capitol St.)

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Dugas, Lamm-Williams, Poole, Smith
Nays: None
Absent: Wesley
Abstain: None

4. Discuss and take appropriate action adopting a Resolution authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry to enter into a contract with Grace Hebert Architects and Plus One Construction, LLC for the construction of a new animal shelter.

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Delahoussaye, the City Council adopted a Resolution authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry to enter into a contract with Grace Hebert Architects and Plus One Construction, LLC for the construction of a new animal shelter.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Dugas, Lamm-Williams, Poole, Smith
Nays: None
Absent: Wesley
Abstain: None

5. Discuss and take appropriate action adopting a Resolution authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry to enter into a contract with Utility Outsourcing Specialists, Inc. to provide meter reading services to the City of Denham Springs.

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Dugas, the City Council *tabled* a Resolution authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry to enter into a contract with Utility Outsourcing Specialists, Inc. to provide meter reading services to the City of Denham Springs until sealed bids for service can be performed.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Dugas, Lamm-Williams, Poole, Smith
Nays: None
Absent: Wesley
Abstain: None

6. Discuss and take appropriate action adopting a Resolution authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry to apply for and accept the Firehouse Sub Public Safety Grant, for Fire Dept. hose tester, in the amount of \$22,602.82 and no match.

Upon motion of Dugas, seconded by Smith, the City Council adopted a Resolution authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry to apply for and accept the Firehouse Sub Public Safety Grant, for Fire Dept. hose tester, Tracker off Road vehicle and multiple hydrant markers in the amount of \$22,602.82 and no match.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Dugas, Lamm-Williams, Poole, Smith
Nays: None
Absent: Wesley
Abstain: None

7. Discuss and take appropriate action adopting a Resolution authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry to apply for and accept the State Farm Grant, for Fire Dept. radios, in the amount of \$27,457.45 and no match.

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Dugas, the City Council adopted a Resolution authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry to apply for and accept the State Farm Grant, for Fire Dept. radios, in the amount of \$27,457.45 and no match.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Dugas, Lamm-Williams, Poole, Smith
Nays: None
Absent: Wesley
Abstain: None

8. Discuss and take appropriate action authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry, Michelle Hood, Treasurer and Joan LeBlanc, City Clerk to sign the Louisiana Audit Compliance Questionnaire.

Upon motion of Dugas, seconded by Smith, the City Council authorized Mayor Gerard Landry, Michelle Hood, Treasurer and Joan LeBlanc, City Clerk to sign the Louisiana Audit Compliance Questionnaire.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Dugas, Lamm-Williams, Poole, Smith
Nays: None
Absent: Wesley
Abstain: None

9. Discuss and take appropriate action approving Change Order No. 3 in the increased amount of \$74,931.70 and increased contract time to 18 days to Sienna Construction, LLC for the City Hall Renovation Project.

Upon motion of Smith, seconded by Dugas, the City Council approved Change Order No. 3 in the increased amount of \$74,931.70 and increased contract time to 18 days to Sienna Construction, LLC for the City Hall Renovation Project.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Dugas, Lamm-Williams, Poole, Smith
Nays: None
Absent: Wesley
Abstain: None

Adjournment

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Smith, the City Council adjourned the meeting.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Dugas, Lamm-Williams, Poole, Smith
Nays: None
Absent: Wesley
Abstain: None

Gerard Landry, Mayor

Joan LeBlanc, City Clerk