

MEETING CITY OF DENHAM SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL
6:00 P.M. MUNICIPAL BUILDING MARCH 28, 2022

The Meeting of the Denham Springs City Council, convened at 6:00 p.m. on March 28, 2022, in the Court Room of the Municipal Building at 116 N. Range Ave. 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, Laura Smith and Jeff Wesley. A quorum being present the Council Meeting was convened.

Staff present: Joan LeBlanc, City Clerk; Stephanie Hulett, City Attorney; Rick Foster, Building Official; Shannon Womack, Police Chief; Richard Stafford, Fire Chief; Mitch Droge, Civil Service Secretary.

1. Approve as published in the official journal minutes of the February 28, 2022 and the March 8, 2022 City Council Meetings.

Upon motion of Dugas, seconded by Poole, the City Council approved the minutes of the February 28, 2022 and the March 8, 2022 City Council Meetings.

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

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

2. Presentation of Miss Louisiana USA.

Mayor Landry and the City Council recognized and congratulated Katie "KT" Scannell for being crowned Miss Louisiana 2022.

3. Appoint Victoria Herrmann to the Planning and Zoning Commission Board for a 7 year term.

Upon motion of Smith, seconded by Dugas, the City Council approved the appointment of Victoria Herrmann to the Planning and Zoning Commission Board for the remainder of Nathan Landry's 7 year term(6 years).

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

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

4. Authorize a variance on a minimum lot size from 0.75 acre to 0.39 acre for the purpose of a Used Auto Sales lot located in Sec. 67, T7S-R2E, G.L.D., City of Denham Springs, Livingston Parish, Louisiana (V-1019). Requested by Southeast Auto Holdings, L.L.C. (983 Rushing Rd.)

Southeast Holdings, LLC representative gave a brief overview of the proposed project. Ray Riley, P & Z Commissioner, spoke on behalf of the P & Z Board denying the variance. John Didier, resident on Chantulane Ave. spoke against the variance.

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Smith, the City Council *denied* a variance on a minimum lot size from 0.75 acre to 0.39 acre for the purpose of a Used Auto Sales lot located in Sec. 67, T7S-R2E, G.L.D., City of Denham Springs, Livingston Parish, Louisiana (V-1019). Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Dugas, Lamm-Williams, Poole, Smith, Wesley

Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

5. **Hold a public hearing for an Ordinance to Amend Section 1.02 of Article One of the Denham Springs Zoning Commission Ordinance of 1990, as amended, City Ordinance 1001 by Adding Thereto, Paragraph 190, From C-3 Commercial to R-3 Residential for Tracts A-1 and B-1 located in Sec 67, T7S-R2E, G.L.D., City of Denham Springs, Livingston Parish, Louisiana (RZ-439). Requested by Colt Fore & Paige Wax. (near 303 Rushing Rd. W.)**

Mayor Landry opened the public hearing. Cecil Harris, School Board representative gave statistics on the enrollment numbers in the schools.

Speaking in favor of rezoning: Colt Fore, property co-owner, Paige Wax, property co-owner and Ryan Marcomb, developer.

Residents speaking against rezoning: Greg Oivanki, Sherry St.; Joseph Didier, Sr., Cavalier Dr.; Natalie McCaa, Chantulane Ave.; John Didier, Chantulane Ave.; Peggy Cleveland, Elmer St.; Alice Didier, Chantulane Ave.; Frances Toche, Chantulane Ave.; Heather Toche, Chantulane Ave.; Carolyn Cassidy, Jerlyn Dr., Earline Sceroler, Sherry St.; Annie Fugler, Rushing Road W.; Blake Bellow, Chantulane Ave.; Gerald Baker, Cavalier Dr.; Jason Naylor, Elmer St.

Reasons for opposition were drainage, traffic, overcrowding of schools, interruption of services and reduced quality of life.

Upon motion of Wesley, seconded by Dugas, the City Council closed the public hearing..

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

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

6. **Adopt an Ordinance to Amend Section 1.02 of Article One of the Denham Springs Zoning Commission Ordinance of 1990, as amended, City Ordinance 1001 by Adding Thereto, Paragraph 190, From C-3 Commercial to R-3 Residential for Tracts A-1 and B-1 located in Sec 67, T7S-R2E, G.L.D., City of Denham Springs, Livingston Parish, Louisiana (RZ-439).**

Upon motion of Dugas, seconded by Poole, the City Council *denied* the adoption of an Ordinance to Amend Section 1.02 of Article One of the Denham Springs Zoning Commission Ordinance of 1990, as amended, City Ordinance 1001 by Adding Thereto, Paragraph 190, From C-3 Commercial to R-3 Residential for Tracts A-1 and B-1 located in Sec 67, T7S-R2E, G.L.D., City of Denham Springs, Livingston Parish, Louisiana (RZ-439).

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

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

7. **Hold a public hearing for an Ordinance to Amend the Code of Ordinances for the City of Denham Springs Chapter 106, by Adding Article II, Section 36, Relative to Gas Lines in New Developments.**

Mayor Landry opened the public hearing. No public comments were given.

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Wesley, the City Council closed the public hearing.

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

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

8. **Adopt an Ordinance to Amend the Code of Ordinances for the City of Denham Springs Chapter 106, by Adding Article II, Section 36, Relative to Gas Lines in New Developments.**

Upon motion of Wesley, seconded by Lamm-Williams, the City Council adopted an Ordinance to Amend the Code of Ordinances for the City of Denham Springs Chapter 106, by Adding Article II, Section 36, Relative to Gas Lines in New Developments.

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

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

The above becomes Ordinance No. 22-01

9. **Hold a public hearing for an Ordinance to Amend the Code of Ordinances for the City of Denham Springs by adding Chapter 26, Article VIII relative to Massage Parlors.**

Mayor Landry opened the public hearing. Public comments were given by Kathy Love, Louisiana Board of Massage Therapy and Jackie Wilson, owner of The Natural Touch.

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Wesley, the City Council closed the public hearing.

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

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

10. **Adopt an Ordinance to Amend the Code of Ordinances for the City of Denham Springs by adding Chapter 26, Article VIII relative to Massage Parlors.**

Upon motion of Dugas, seconded by Poole, the City Council adopted an Ordinance to Amend the Code of Ordinances for the City of Denham Springs by adding Chapter 26, Article VIII relative to Massage Parlors, with revisions of adding reflexology to definitions, deleting requirement for early renewal of business license and clarifying the City of Denham Springs license for serving alcohol, as discussed.

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

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

The above becomes Ordinance No. 22-02

11. **Hold a public hearing for an Ordinance to amend the Denham Springs Code of Ordinances, Chapter 50, Article I, Division 2, Section 50-52 regarding Specific Standards of Flood Damage Prevention.**

Mayor Landry opened the public hearing. Public comments were given by: Chris Rogers, owner of Tate Road Mobile Home Park and Eddie Aydell, Alvin Fairburn and Assoc. Rick Foster, Building Official presented the ordinance.

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Smith, the City Council closed the public hearing.

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

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

12. **Adopt an Ordinance to amend the Denham Springs Code of Ordinances, Chapter 50, Article I, Division 2, Section 50-52 regarding Specific Standards of Flood Damage Prevention.**

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Smith, the City Council adopted an Ordinance to amend the Denham Springs Code of Ordinances, Chapter 50, Article I, Division 2, Section 50-52 regarding Specific Standards of Flood Damage Prevention.

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

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

The above becomes Ordinance No. 22-03

13. **Hold a public hearing for an Ordinance to amend the Denham Springs Code of Ordinances by amending Chapter 50, Article 1, Division 1, Section 50-29 regarding Definitions related to Flood Hazard Reduction.**

Mayor Landry opened the public hearing. No Public comments were given.

Rick Foster, Building Official presented the ordinance.

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Smith, the City Council closed the public hearing.

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

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

14. **Adopt an Ordinance to amend the Denham Springs Code of Ordinances by amending Chapter 50, Article 1, Division 1, Section 50-29 regarding Definitions related to Flood Hazard Reduction.**

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Dugas, the City Council adopted an Ordinance to amend the Denham Springs Code of Ordinances by amending Chapter 50, Article 1, Division 1, Section 50-29 regarding Definitions related to Flood Hazard Reduction.

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

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

The above becomes Ordinance No. 22-04

15. **Approve the surplus of Fire Unit Ford Explorer.**

Upon motion of Smith, seconded by Wesley, the City Council approved the surplus of Fire Unit 467, 2008 Ford Explorer VIN: 1FM5K7B81FGA56794.

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

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

16. **Adopt a Resolution authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry to execute an Act of Sale with the City of Walker, to purchase a Ford Explorer.**

Upon motion of Dugas, seconded by Smith, the City Council adopted a Resolution authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry to execute an Act of Sale with the City of Walker, to purchase a 2015 Ford Explorer, VIN: 1FM5K7B81FGA56794 for \$12,000.00.

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

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

17. **Adopt a Resolution authorizing Gerard Landry, Mayor of the City of Denham Springs, to execute a Cash Sale with Marvin Taliancich for the purchase of the property located at 2525 Riverview Dr., Denham Springs, LA, all according to the FEMA Flood Mitigation Assistance grant.**

Upon motion of Smith, seconded by Wesley, the City Council adopted a Resolution authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry to execute a Cash Sale with Marvin Taliancich for the purchase of the property located at 2525 Riverview Dr., Denham Springs, LA, all according to the FEMA Flood Mitigation Assistance grant at a sale price of \$169,000.00 plus other related fees as shown on HUD Settlement Statement.

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

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

Abstain: None

18. Authorize Mayor Gerard Landry to execute the annual MWPP Resolution for the Wastewater Department.

Upon motion of Wesley, seconded by Smith, the City Council adopted a Resolution authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry to execute the annual MWPP Resolution for the Wastewater Department as required by DEQ.

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

Yeas: Dugas, Lamm-Williams, Poole, Smith, Wesley

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

19. Adopt a Resolution authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry to accept a grant and execute an agreement for the LDEQ Volkswagon Environment Mitigation Trust Agreement.

Upon motion of Smith, seconded by Wesley, the City Council adopted a Resolution authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry to accept a grant and execute an agreement for the LDEQ Volkswagon Environment Mitigation Trust Agreement, for 2 car charging stations, at no cost to the City.

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

Yeas: Dugas, Lamm-Williams, Smith, Wesley

Nays: Poole

Absent: None

Abstain: None

20. Adopt a Resolution authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry to execute a Services Agreement with Republic Services.

Upon motion of Smith, seconded by Wesley, the City Council adopted a Resolution authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry to execute a Services Agreement with Republic Services for a dumpster at the Wastewater Department.

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

Yeas: Dugas, Lamm-Williams, Poole, Smith, Wesley

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

21. Approve bids and award bid for Denham Springs Lift Stations Project Groups 2 & 3.

Upon motion of Wesley, seconded by Dugas, the City Council approved the bids and awarded the contract to NCMC, LLC in the amount of \$ 2,479,000.00 for the Denham Springs Lift Stations Project Groups 2 & 3.

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

Yeas: Dugas, Lamm-Williams, Poole, Smith, Wesley

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

22. Approve Payment Application #6 in the amount of \$25,676.35 to L. King Company, LLC for the Wastewater Equalization Basin Liner and accept Clear Lien Certificate.

Upon motion of Smith, seconded by Lamm-Williams, the City Council approved Payment Application #6 in the amount of \$25,676.35 to L. King Company, LLC for the Wastewater Equalization Basin Liner and accepted the Clear Lien Certificate.

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

Yeas: Dugas, Lamm-Williams, Poole, Smith, Wesley

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

23. **Approve Payment Estimate #7 in the amount of \$5,278.20 to Barriere Construction Co., LLC for the Benton Lane Improvements project.**

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Smith, the City Council approved Payment Estimate #7 in the amount of \$5,278.20 to Barriere Construction Co., LLC for the Benton Lane Improvements project.

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

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

24. **Authorize Change Order #2 to explain quantity adjustments for completion of Benton Lane Improvements project.**

Upon motion of Wesley, seconded by Dugas, the City Council authorized Change Order #2 to explain quantity adjustments for completion of Benton Lane Improvements project.

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

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

25. **Adopt a Resolution authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry to execute the Final Acceptance of the Benton Lane Improvements Project H.013674.**

Upon motion of Smith, seconded by Dugas, the City Council authorized Mayor Gerard Landry to execute the Final Acceptance of the Benton Lane Improvements Project H.013674.

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

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

26. **Authorize the annual Spring Antiques Festival road closures. Saturday, April 30, 2022 from 6:00 am to 6:00 pm:
N. Range Ave. from Centerville to Sullivan
Mattie St. from N. Range Ave. to Benton St.
Railroad Ave. from Hummel St. to Benton St.
Friday, April 29, 2022 from 8:00 am to Saturday, April 30, 2022 at 6:00 pm: Rose St. from N. Range Ave. to Benton St.**

Upon motion of Wesley, seconded by Dugas, the City Council authorized the annual Spring Antiques Festival road closures. Saturday, April 30, 2022 from 6:00 am to 6:00 pm:

N. Range Ave. from Centerville to Sullivan
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Railroad Ave. from Hummel St. to Benton St.
Friday, April 29, 2022 from 8:00 am to Saturday, April 30, 2022 at 6:00 pm: Rose St. from N. Range Ave. to Benton St.

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

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

27. **Adopt the Fair Housing Month Proclamation.**

Upon motion of Dugas, seconded by Lamm-Williams, the City Council adopted April as the Fair Housing Month Proclamation in the City of Denham Springs.

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

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

Adjournment

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

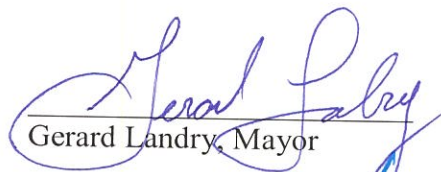
Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Dugas, Lamm-Williams, Poole, Smith, Wesley

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None



Gerard Landry, Mayor



Joan LeBlanc, City Clerk