

MEETING CITY OF DENHAM SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL  
6:00 P.M. MUNICIPAL BUILDING MAY 12, 2020

The Meeting of the Denham Springs City Council, convened at 6:00 p.m. on May 12, 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 was given by Robert Poole.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

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

Also present on video conference: Joan LeBlanc, City Clerk; Stephanie Hulett, City Attorney; Rick Foster, Building Official; Gary Watson, HR Manager; Shannon Womack, Police Chief; Richard Stafford, Fire Chief.

**1. Reports: (a) Building Official; (b) City Attorney; (c) Engineers; (d) City Treasurer; (e) Planning and Zoning; (f) Animal Control; (g) Fire Report; (h) Police Report**

- (a) **Building Official** –written report submitted
- (b) **City Attorney** – no report
- (c) **Engineers** – no report
- (d) **City Treasurer** – written budget reports submitted
- (e) **Planning and Zoning** – no report; no meetings during quarantine
- (f) **Animal Control Report** – written report submitted
- (g) **Fire report** – written report submitted
- (h) **Police Report** –written report submitted

**2. Approve as published in the official journal minutes of the April 27, 2020 City Council Meeting.**

Upon motion of Wesley, seconded byLamm-Williams, the City Council approved the minutes of April 27, 2020 City Council 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

**3. Discuss and take appropriate action adopting the consent agenda for April 1, 2020 through April 30, 2020.**

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Poole, the City Council approved the consent agenda for April 1, 2020 through April 30, 2020.

Total	\$2,062,480.83
Payroll & Taxes	\$605,821.99
Accounts Payable	\$1,391,406.24
Natural Gas Payment for March 2020 Purchases	\$49,340.23
Ward 2 Marshal's Office	\$15,912.37
Ward 2 City Court	\$0.00

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

**4. Discuss and take appropriate action introducing an ordinance and authorizing a public hearing for a proposed Ordinance to Amend the Code of Ordinances for the City of Denham Springs, Chapter 106, by Amending Section 2, Relative to Delinquent Utility Payments, to be held May 26, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.**

Upon motion of Poole, seconded by Smith, the City Council **tabled** taking action on an ordinance and authorized a public hearing for a proposed Ordinance to Amend the Code of Ordinances for the City of Denham Springs, Chapter 106, by Amending Section 2, Relative to Delinquent Utility Payments.

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. **Discuss and take appropriate action adopting a Resolution authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry to apply for and accept a grant from USDOJ for bulletproof vest. Match is 50%.**

Upon motion of Wesley, seconded by Dugas, the City Council adopted a Resolution authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry to apply for and accept a grant from USDOJ for bulletproof vest. Match is 50%.

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. **Discuss and take appropriate action adopting a Resolution authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry to apply for and accept a grant from the Assistance to Firefighters Fire Prevention & Safety grant program. Match is 5%.**

Upon motion of Smith, seconded by Dugas, the City Council adopted a Resolution authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry to apply for and accept a grant from the Assistance to Firefighters Fire Prevention & Safety grant program. Match is 5%.

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. **Discuss and take appropriate action on Payment Application No. 5 in the amount of \$94,552.74 to Sienna Construction, LLC for the City Hall Renovation project.**

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Smith, the City Council approved Payment Application No. 5 in the amount of \$94,552.74 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, Wesley
Nays:	None
Absent:	None
Abstain:	None

8. **Discuss and take appropriate action on Payment Application No. 1 in the amount of \$13,873.50 to L. King Company, LLC for the Rushing Road Water Well project.**

Upon motion of Smith, seconded by Lamm-Williams, the City Council approved Payment Application No. 1 in the amount of \$13,873.50 to L. King Company, LLC for the Rushing Road Water Well 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

9. **Discuss and take appropriate action on Payment No. 1 in the amount of \$223,345.00 to Wharton-Smith, Inc. for the Lift Stations project.**

Upon motion of Wesley, seconded by Smith, the City Council approved Payment No. 1 in the amount of \$223,345.00 to Wharton-Smith, Inc. for the Lift Stations project.

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



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

**10. Discuss and take appropriate action on a request to advertise for RFQ's for printing & mailing services for utility billing.**

Upon motion of Poole, seconded by Lamm-Williams, the City Council approved the request to advertise for RFQ's for printing & mailing services for utility billing.

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

**11. Discuss and take appropriate action authorizing Mayor Landry to execute permits, statements of work, articles of agreement and compensation offer for the Cook Road project, H.012308.**

Upon motion of Poole, seconded by Dugas, the City Council authorized Mayor Landry to execute permits, statements of work, articles of agreement and compensation offer for the Cook Road project, H.012308.

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. Discuss and take appropriate action appointing Perrin Watkins, The Highland Insurance Group, as Agent of Record for the health insurance for the fiscal year July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021.**

Upon motion of Wesley, seconded by Poole, the City Council appointed Perrin Watkins, The Highland Insurance Group, as Agent of Record for the health insurance for the fiscal year July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021.

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

**13. Discuss and take appropriate action on health insurance for employees and family of the City of Denham Springs for the fiscal year July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021.**

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Smith, the City Council approved Blue Cross health insurance for employees and family in the amount of \$758.78/month/employee for the fiscal year July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021; options available for family at employee cost.

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. Discuss and take appropriate action on Health Reimbursement Account (HRA) amount and the HRA administrator for the fiscal year July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021.**

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Wesley, the City Council approved a Health Reimbursement Account (HRA) in the amount of \$1500/yearly per eligible employee and approved Consumer Choice Plans, Randy Bowling, Administrator, at a cost of \$5.00/month per eligible employee, for the fiscal year July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021.

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

**15. Discuss and take appropriate action on vision insurance for employees and family of the City of Denham Springs for the fiscal year July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021.**

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Poole, the City Council approved Blue Cross for vision insurance in the amount of \$4.75/month per eligible employee; options available for family at employee cost, for the fiscal year July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021.

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. Discuss and take appropriate action on life insurance for employees and family of the City of Denham Springs for the fiscal year July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021.**

Upon motion of Wesley, seconded by Poole, the City Council approved United Health Care for life insurance in the amount of \$10.50/\$50,000 coverage/month per employee; options available for family at employee cost, for the fiscal year July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021.

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. Discuss and take appropriate action on Cobra administration for the fiscal year July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021.**

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Poole, the City Council approved WageWorks for cobra administration in the amount of \$1.17/month per employee, for the fiscal year July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021.

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. Discuss and take appropriate action on Dental insurance for the fiscal year July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021.**

Upon motion of Smith, seconded by Poole, the City Council approved Citizens Dental Insurance in the amount of \$29.31/month per eligible employee; options available for family at employee cost, for the fiscal year July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021.

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 Dugas, the City Council adjourned the meeting.

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

Yeas:	Dugas, Lamm-Williams, Smith, Wesley
Nays:	None
Absent:	Poole (left meeting before vote)
Abstain:	None

  
Gerard Landry, Mayor

  
Joan LeBlanc, City Clerk