

MEETING CITY OF DENHAM SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL
6:00 P.M. MUNICIPAL BUILDING DECEMBER 10, 2019

The Meeting of the Denham Springs City Council, convened at 6:00 p.m. on December 10, 2019, in the Meeting Room of the Denham Springs City Hall 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.

Also present: Joan LeBlanc, City Clerk; Stephanie Hulett, City Attorney; Rick Foster, Building Official; Jeanette Clark, Disaster Recovery Coordinator; Fred Banks, Planning & Zoning Chairman; Gary Watson, HR Manager; Shannon Womack, Police Chief; Richard Stafford, Fire Chief.

Senator Dale Erdey addressed the Mayor and Council thanking them for support throughout his Representative and Senator tenures. His last day of Senator will be January 12, 2020.

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** – no report
- (e) **Planning and Zoning** – report given on the December 9 P & Z meeting
- (f) **Animal Control Report** – written report submitted
- (g) **Fire report** – no report
- (h) **Police Report** –written report submitted

2. Approve as published in the official journal minutes of the November 25, 2019 City Council Meeting.

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Wesley, the City Council approved the minutes of November 25, 2019 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 November 1, 2019 through November 30, 2019.

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Smith, the City Council approved the consent agenda for November 1, 2019 through November 30, 2019.

Total	\$1,859,917.85
Payroll & Taxes	\$510,417.90
Accounts Payable	\$1,295,317.34
Natural Gas Payment for October 2019 Purchases	\$37,629.33
Ward 2 Marshal's Office	\$16,553.28
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 confirming the appointment of Richard Stafford for Fire Chief.

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Dugas, the City Council confirmed the Mayor's appointment of Richard Stafford for Fire Chief.

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 reappointing Lamar Davis and appointing Lonnie Shupe to the Denham Springs Municipal Fire and Police Civil Service Board.

Upon motion of Poole, seconded by Smith, the City Council approved the reappointment of Lamar Davis and the appointment of Lonnie Shupe to the Denham Springs Municipal Fire and Police Civil Service Board.

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 to hire a Fire Dept./Civil Service Secretary.

Upon motion of Wesley, seconded by Lamm-Williams, the City Council approved the hiring of a Fire Department Secretary who will also serve as Civil Service Secretary to the Denham Springs Municipal Fire and Police Civil Service Board.

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 a Special Use Permit request for the purpose of a Town Home Development located in Section 45, T6S-R3E, G.L.D., City of Denham Springs, Livingston Parish, Louisiana (SUP-105-19). Requested by Ilgen Construction (440 Eugene St.)

Mayor Landry opened the public hearing. Public comments were heard.

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Poole, 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. Discuss and take appropriate action for a Special Use Permit request for the purpose of a Town Home Development located in Section 45, T6S-R3E, G.L.D., City of Denham Springs, Livingston Parish, Louisiana (SUP-105-19). Requested by Ilgen Construction (440 Eugene St.)

Upon motion of Poole, seconded by Lamm-Williams, the City Council approved the Special Use Permit request for the purpose of a Town Home Development located in Section 45, T6S-R3E,

G.L.D., City of Denham Springs, Livingston Parish, Louisiana (SUP-105-19). Requested by Ilgen Construction (440 Eugene St.) contingent upon compliance with City of Denham Springs District Regulations pertaining to multi-family dwellings.

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 a variance request for lot length on Tract 1-A from 120 ft. to 113.6 ft. and Tract 1-B from 120 ft. to 115 ft. (located at Carroll St.) Requested by Jordon Arroyo. V-JA-19.

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Smith, the City Council approved the variance request for lot length on Tract 1-A from 120 ft. to 113.6 ft. and Tract 1-B from 120 ft. to 115 ft. (located at Carroll 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

10. Discuss and take appropriate action on bids for Lift Station Group 1.

Motion of Poole, seconded by Wesley, to table the agenda item to allow city attorney to research public bid laws regarding disqualifying bids.

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

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

Motion failed.

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Smith, to accept the bid of Cottfried Contractor in the Base Bid amount of \$879,500.00, Additive Alternate 1 amount of \$802,000.00 and Additive Alternate 2 amount of \$9,000.00, highest bid, contingent upon the lower bidder NCMC, Base Bid amount of \$777,000.00, Additive Alternate 1 amount of \$704,500.00 and Additive Alternate 2 amount of \$4,500.00, being disqualified for failure to produce licenses as specified in bid package documents.

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

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

11. Discuss and take appropriate action authorizing the pre-applications for the Louisiana Watershed Initiative Grant Program. (100% funding)

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Wesley, the City Council authorized the pre-applications for the Louisiana Watershed Initiative Grant Program.

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. Report from the Denham Springs Board of Housing Appeals.

Fred Banks, Denham Springs Board of Housing Appeals Chairman presented to Mayor and Council an overview of the Board's recent meeting with owners of not gutted blighted property. The scheduled meetings will be held on the second Monday of each month at 4:00 pm, Denham Springs City Hall.

13. Discuss and take appropriate action approving the City Council 2020 Meeting Calendar.

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Wesley, the City Council approved the City Council 2020 Meeting Calendar.

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 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, Wesley
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

Gerard Landry, Mayor

Joan LeBlanc, City Clerk