

The Meeting of the Denham Springs City Council, convened at 6:00 p.m. on August 9, 2022, at 116 N. Range Ave., Denham Springs, LA.

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: Amber Dugas, Lori Lamm-Williams, Robert Poole and Jeff Wesley. Laura Smith was absent. A quorum being present the Council Meeting was convened.

Also present: Joan LeBlanc, City Clerk; Stephanie Hulett, City Attorney; Rick Foster, Building Official; Richard Stafford Fire Chief; Rodney Walker, Police Chief; Donna Jennings, Main Street Director; Dana Harris, Purchasing Agent; Ben Harris, Water Supervisor.

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 P&Z 8/8 meeting.
- (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 July 25, 2022 City Council Meeting.

Upon motion of Wesley, seconded by Dugas, the City Council approved the official journal minutes of the July 25, 2022 City Council Meeting.

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

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

3. Discuss and take appropriate action adopting the consent agenda for July 1, 2022 through July 31, 2022.

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Dugas, the City Council approved the consent agenda for July 1, 2022 through July 31, 2022.

Total	\$2,617,076.31
Payroll & Taxes	\$511,507.79
Accounts Payable	\$1,972,926.10
Natural Gas Payment for June 2022 Purchases	\$112,306.28
Ward 2 Marshal's Office	\$20,182.88
Ward 2 City Court	\$153.26

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

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

4. Confirm Historic Commission appointments.

Upon motion of Wesley, seconded by Lamm-Williams, the City Council confirmed the following appointments to the Historic Commission:

Georgann Neal
Stuart Salassi
Jeremy LaBorde
John Cavalier
Lyn Deville

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

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

5. **Confirm the reappointments of Lamar Davis and Lonnie Shupe to the Police & Fire Civil Service Board.**

Upon motion of Poole, seconded by Dugas, the City Council confirmed the reappointments of Lamar Davis and Lonnie Shupe to the Police & Fire Civil Service Board.

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

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

6. **Approve audit engagement letter with Hannis T. Bourgeois, CPA.**

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Wesley, the City Council approved the audit engagement letter from Hannis T. Bourgeois, CPA, for the periods ending June 30, 2022, 2023 and 2024, as presented by Trey Sanders, CPA.

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

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

7. **Approve a variance allowing new stairs to encroach 10' into an existing front yard, allowing 8.17' of front yard between new stairs and property line. 18' front yard is an existing nonconforming condition. The stairs are now required due to elevating the structure (V-1020). Requested by Denise Curly (317 Allen St.)**

Removed from agenda prior to meeting. P & Z tabled taking action.

8. **Authorize a public hearing for the use of Train Station Park/parking lot, Noise Variance and Street Closure for February 11, 2023 for an outdoor event, as requested by the Krewe of Denham Springs; Public Hearing to be held at 6:00 pm on August 22, 2022 in the Court Room of the Municipal Building.**

Emily Barclay, President Krewe of Denham Springs, presented their plans for an after parade party on February 11, 2023.

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Dugas, the City Council authorized a public hearing for the use of Train Station Park/parking lot, Noise Variance and Street Closure for February 11, 2023 for an outdoor event, as requested by the Krewe of Denham Springs; Public Hearing to be held at 6:00 pm on August 22, 2022 in the Court Room of the Municipal Building.

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

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

9. **Approve Payment Request #1 in the amount of \$136,087.50 to Feliciano Welders, Inc. for the Hillon Hood Road Gas improvements.**

Upon motion of Wesley, seconded by Dugas, to approve Payment Request #1 in the amount of \$136,087.50 to Feliciano Welders, Inc. for the Hillon Hood Road Gas improvements was denied.

No representation from contractor or engineer.

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

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

Absent: Smith
Abstain: None

10. Approve Pay Application #1 in the amount of \$56,228.60 to NCMC, LLC for the DS Lift Stations-Second & Third Groups.

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Poole, the City Council denied Pay Application #1 in the amount of \$56,228.60 to NCMC, LLC for the DS Lift Stations-Second & Third Groups.

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

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

11. Approve Pay Application #5 in the amount of \$48,009.20 to NCMC, LLC for the DS Lift Stations-Fourth Group.

Upon motion of Wesley, seconded by Dugas, the City Council approved Pay Application #5 in the amount of \$48,009.20 to NCMC, LLC for the DS Lift Stations-Fourth Group.

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

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

12. Adopt a Resolution authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry to enter into a CEA with BR Fire Dept.

Upon motion of Dugas, seconded by Lamm-Williams, the City Council adopted a Resolution authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry to enter into a CEA with BR Fire Dept. to purchase an Epson PowerLite projector in exchange for training for the DS Fire Department personnel.

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

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

13. Take action on the bids for Garbage and Trash Collection Services.

Upon motion of Poole, seconded by Wesley, the City Council approved the bids for Residential Garbage and Trach Collection and awarded the bid and contract to Waste Pro as follows:

\$19.68 per month - Garbage twice a week and trash once a week

\$3.25 per month - Recycle once a week

\$22.93 per month - total

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

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

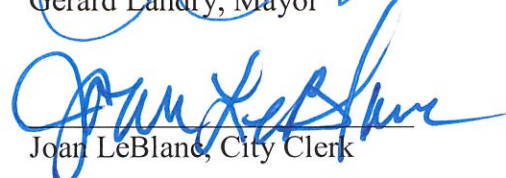
Adjournment

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, Wesley
Nays: None
Absent: Smith
Abstain: None


Gerard Landry, Mayor


Joan LeBlanc, City Clerk