

MEETING CITY OF DENHAM SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL
6:00 P.M. MUNICIPAL BUILDING MARCH 9, 2021

The Meeting of the Denham Springs City Council, convened at 6:00 p.m. on March 9, 2021, 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 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: Joan LeBlanc, City Clerk; Stephanie Hulett, City Attorney; Rick Foster, Building Official; Shannon Womack, Police Chief; Richard Stafford, Fire Chief; Gary Watson, H.R. Manager; Mitch Droge, Fire/Civil Service Secretary.

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** – report given on proposed condemnations at 417 Edgewood, 531 Martin Luther King, Jr., 208 Hickory
- (c) **Engineers** – no report
- (d) **City Treasurer** – no report
- (e) **Planning and Zoning** – report given on P&Z March 8, 2021 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 February 22, 2021 City Council Meeting.

Upon motion of Smith, seconded by Wesley, the City Council approved the minutes of February 22, 2021 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 February 1, 2021 through February 28, 2021.

Upon motion of Smith, seconded by Lamm-Williams, the City Council approved the consent agenda for February 1, 2021 through February 28, 2021.

Total	\$1,913,313.93
Payroll & Taxes	\$446,782.84
Accounts Payable	\$1,296,906.66
Natural Gas Payment for January 2021 Purchases	\$153,619.28
Ward 2 Marshal's Office	\$15,345.83
Ward 2 City Court	\$659.32

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 on a variance for an accessory building height from 16 ft. to 28 ft., Section 36, T6S-R2E, G.L.D., City of Denham Springs, Livingston Parish, Louisiana (V-1005). Requested by Lesby Santos. (1263 N. Woodcrest Ave.)**

Upon motion of Dugas, seconded by Smith, the City Council *denied* a variance for an accessory building height from 16 ft. to 28 ft., Section 36, T6S-R2E, G.L.D., City of Denham Springs, Livingston Parish, Louisiana (V-1005).

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 on a variance request for a rear yard setback from 20 ft. to 10 ft. located in Section 45, T6S-R2E, G.L.D., City of Denham Springs, Livingston Parish, Louisiana (V-1008). Requested by Ilgen Construction, LLC (440 Eugene St.)**

Upon motion of Poole, seconded by Wesley, the City Council approved a variance for a rear yard setback from 20 ft. to 10 ft. located in Section 45, T6S-R2E, G.L.D., City of Denham Springs, Livingston Parish, Louisiana (V-1008).

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 introducing a proposed ordinance and authorizing a public hearing for a proposed Ordinance to amend Section 1.02 of Article One of the Denham Springs Zoning Commission Ordinance of 1990, as amended, City Ordinance No. 1001 by adding thereto, Paragraph 188 for the purpose of rezoning from C-3 Commercial to R-1 Residential located in Section 31, T6S-R3E, G.L.D., City of Denham Springs, Livingston Parish, Louisiana. (RZ-435). Requested by Silverio Ozuna. (312 Edgewood Dr.); to be held April 13, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the Court Room of the Municipal Building, 116 N. Range Ave., Denham Springs, Louisiana.**

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Poole, the City Council introduced a proposed ordinance and authorized a public hearing for a proposed Ordinance to amend Section 1.02 of Article One of the Denham Springs Zoning Commission Ordinance of 1990, as amended, City Ordinance No. 1001 by adding thereto, Paragraph 188 for the purpose of rezoning from C-3 Commercial to R-1 Residential located in Section 31, T6S-R3E, G.L.D., City of Denham Springs, Livingston Parish, Louisiana. (RZ-435). Requested by Silverio Ozuna. (312 Edgewood Dr.); to be held April 13, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the Court Room of the Municipal Building, 116 N. Range Ave., Denham Springs, Louisiana.

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 proposed Ordinance to Amend the Code of Ordinances for the City of Denham Springs, Chapter 74 by Amending Section 35, Relative to Civil Emergency Pay.**

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. Discuss and take appropriate action on a proposed Ordinance to Amend the Code of Ordinances for the City of Denham Springs, Chapter 74 by Amending Section 35, Relative to Civil Emergency Pay.

Upon motion of Smith, seconded by Lamm-Williams, the City Council adopted an Ordinance to Amend the Code of Ordinances for the City of Denham Springs, Chapter 74 by Amending Section 35, Relative to Civil Emergency Pay.

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. 21-03

9. Discuss and take appropriate action adopting a Resolution authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry to execute Amendment #1 for the Grant under the Community Block Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Program for the FEMA Assistance Share Match Program.

Upon motion of Wesley, seconded by Smith, the City Council adopted a Resolution authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry to execute Amendment #1 for the Grant under the Community Block Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Program for the FEMA Assistance Share Match 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

**10. Discuss and take appropriate action authorizing the surplus of the following:
Animal Control #576,
2008 Ford Transit Van 350 (VIN# 1FD3E35L08DA70732)**

Upon motion of Dugas, seconded by Lamm-Williams, the City Council authorized the surplus of the following:

Animal Control #576, 2008 Ford Transit Van 350 (VIN# 1FD3E35L08DA70732)

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 Gerard Landry to enter into an agreement to accept the payment of \$23,924.66 and to surrender Police Unit 600 to Bristol West Insurance Group as settlement for the damage caused to Unit 600 by an accident on December 8, 2020.

Upon motion of Wesley, seconded by Lamm-Williams, the City Council authorized Mayor Gerard Landry to enter into an agreement to accept the payment of \$23,924.66 and to surrender Police Unit 600 to Bristol West Insurance Group as settlement for the damage caused to Unit 600 by an accident on December 8, 2020.

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 authorizing the advertisement of sealed bids for a Police pursuit vehicle.

Upon motion of Wesley, seconded by Smith, the City Council authorized the advertisement of sealed bids for a Police pursuit vehicle.

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 adopting a Resolution authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry to execute the Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Audit.

Upon motion of Dugas, seconded by Lamm-Williams, the City Council adopted a Resolution authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry to execute the Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Audit.

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 proclaiming March 2021 as Flood Awareness Month.

Upon motion of Wesley, seconded by Lamm-Williams, the City Council proclaimed March 2021 as Flood Awareness Month.

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

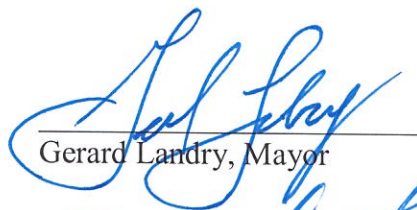
Yeas: Dugas, Lamm-Williams, Poole, Smith, Wesley
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

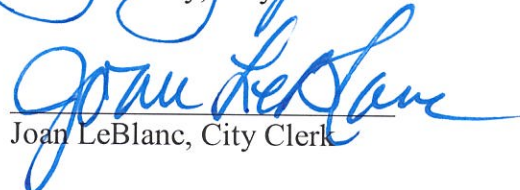
Adjournment

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