

MEETING CITY OF DENHAM SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL
6:00 P.M. MUNICIPAL BUILDING JULY 13, 2021

The Meeting of the Denham Springs City Council, convened at 6:00 p.m. on July 13, 2021, in the Court Room of the Municipal Building located 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 and Jeff Wesley. Laura Schmitt Smith was absent. A quorum being present the Council Meeting was convened.

Staff present: Joan LeBlanc, City Clerk; Rick Foster, Building Official; Shannon Womack, Police Chief; Fred Banks Planning & Zoning Commissioner.

The Mayor and City Council presented a Proclamation recognizing Christopher Ballard for his outstanding and remarkable achievements in the Special Olympics competition.

Upon Motion of Wesley, seconded by Poole, the City Council voted to lift the agenda for the following;

19. **Approve City of Denham Springs 2021 Audit Engagement letter with Hannis T. Bourgeois, CPA, as presented by Trey Sanders.**

The vote to lift the agenda thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Dugas, Lamm-Williams, Poole, Wesley

Nays: None

Absent: Smith

Abstain: None

Upon Motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Dugas, the City Council voted to lift the agenda for the following;

20. **Introduce and authorize a public hearing for an Ordinance for Annexation and Rezoning of a certain 19.36 acre tract of land, located in Sections 45 & 48, T6S-R3E, G.L.D., City of Denham Springs, Livingston Parish, Louisiana (RZ-437 & ANX-004).**

The vote to lift the agenda thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Dugas, Lamm-Williams, Poole, Wesley

Nays: None

Absent: Smith

Abstain: None

Upon Motion of Dugas, seconded by Wesley, the City Council voted to lift the agenda for the following;

21. **Authorize advertisement of sealed bids for four Diesel Dri-Prime trash pumps for Wastewater Dept.**

The vote to lift the agenda thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Dugas, Lamm-Williams, Poole, Wesley

Nays: None

Absent: Smith

Abstain: None

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 meeting July 12, 2021

- (f) **Animal Control Report** – written report submitted
- (g) **Fire report** – written report submitted
- (h) **Police Report** –written report submitted

2. Approve minutes of the June 28, 2021 City Council Meeting.

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Dugas, the City Council approved the minutes of June 28, 2021 City Council 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

3. Discuss and take appropriate action adopting the consent agenda for June 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021.

Upon motion of Wesley, seconded by Dugas, the City Council approved the consent agenda for June 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021.

Total	\$2,895,454.83
Payroll & Taxes	\$545,480.00
Accounts Payable	\$2,233,272.27
Natural Gas Payment for May 2021 Purchases	\$100,642.88
Ward 2 Marshal's Office	\$15,399.33
Ward 2 City Court	\$660.35

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. Reappoint Gayle McLavy to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Poole, the City Council reappointed Gayle McLavy to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

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. Introduce and authorize a public hearing for an Ordinance to rezone from R-1 Residential to C-1 Commercial Lots 1, 2, and 3 Square 21, at 128 Walnut St., First Pentecostal Church; to be held August 10, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the Court Room of the Municipal Building.

Upon motion of Poole, seconded by Wesley, the City Council **tabled** taking action until P&Z submits a recommendation for an Ordinance to rezone from R-1 Residential to C-1 Commercial Lots 1, 2, and 3 Square 21, at 128 Walnut St., First Pentecostal Church

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 a Variance for lot depth from 120 ft to 98 ft; lot width from 70 ft to 52 ft; lot square footage from 8400 to 4800 for all lots in the proposed Frenchtowne at Meadowbrook Subdivision.

P&Z denied the re-subdivision of the property, due to drainage and traffic impacts. Therefore, Council has no variance to approve. Removed from Council agenda.

7. Approve a Variance for a building setback from 20 ft to 3 ft at 111 Bass Pro Blvd.

P&Z removed from agenda. No variance needed. Removed from Council agenda.

8. **Approve Change Order No. 3 in the increased amount of \$497.42 and increased contract time by 14 days to Plus One Construction, LLC for the Animal Shelter project.**

Upon motion of Wesley, seconded by Lamm-Williams, the City Council approved Change Order No. 3 in the increased amount of \$497.42 and increased contract time by 14 days to Plus One Construction, LLC for the Animal Shelter project.

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

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

9. **Approve Payment Application #8 in the amount of \$42,750.01 to Wharton-Smith, Inc. for the Denham Springs Lift Stations-First Group Project.**

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Dugas, the City Council approved Payment Application #8 in the amount of \$42,750.01 to Wharton-Smith, Inc. for the Denham Springs Lift Stations-First Group Project.

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

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

10. **Approve Payment Application #1 in the amount of \$40,280.00 to Wharton-Smith, Inc. for the Denham Springs Water Wells Rehabilitation Project.**

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Wesley, the City Council approved Payment Application #1 in the amount of \$40,280.00 to Wharton-Smith, Inc. for the Denham Springs Water Wells Rehabilitation Project.

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

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

11. **Amend the Forte & Tablada, Inc. contract for flood recovery assistance, to be dated January 9, 2017 as advised by GOSEP, to include additional clauses as required by law.**

Upon motion of Wesley, seconded by Lamm-Williams, the City Council adopted a resolution amending the Forte & Tablada, Inc. contract for flood recovery assistance, to be dated January 9, 2017 as advised by GOSEP, to include additional clauses as required by law.

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. **Amend the Wharton-Smith, Inc. contract for the repairs of water wells, to be dated August 31, 2020 as advised by GOSEP, to include additional clauses as required by law.**

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Dugas, the City Council the City Council adopted a resolution amending the Wharton-Smith, Inc. contract for the repairs of water wells, to be dated August 31, 2020 as advised by GOSEP, to include additional clauses as required by law.

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

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

13. **Amend the Wharton-Smith, Inc. contract for lift station repairs, Group 1 and Hatchell Lane, to be dated February 20, 2020 as advised by GOSEP, to include additional clauses as required by law.**

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Wesley, the City Council the City Council adopted a resolution amending the Wharton-Smith, Inc. contract for lift station repairs, Group 1 and Hatchell Lane, to be dated February 20, 2020 as advised by GOSEP, to include additional clauses as required by law.

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

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

14. **Amend the Kelly Construction Group contract for the construction of a pavilion at the former site of City Hall, to be dated September 28, 2020 as advised by GOSEP, to include additional clauses as required by law.**

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Dugas, the City Council the City Council adopted a resolution amending the Kelly Construction Group contract for the construction of a pavilion at the former site of City Hall, to be dated September 28, 2020 as advised by GOSEP, to include additional clauses as required by law.

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

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

15. **Amend the Plus One Construction contract for the construction of a new animal shelter building, to be dated September 17, 2020 as advised by GOSEP, to include additional clauses as required by law.**

Upon motion of Wesley, seconded by Lamm-Williams, the City Council the City Council adopted a resolution amending the Plus One Construction contract for the construction of a new animal shelter building, to be dated September 17, 2020 as advised by GOSEP, to include additional clauses as required by law.

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

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

16. **Amend the Sienna Construction contract for the repair/renovation of City Hall, to be dated February 8, 2021 as advised by GOSEP, to include additional clauses as required by law.**

Upon motion of Dugas, seconded by Lamm-Williams, the City Council the City Council adopted a resolution amending the Sienna Construction contract for the repair/renovation of City Hall, to be dated February 8, 2021 as advised by GOSEP, to include additional clauses as required by law.

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

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

17. **Authorize the renewal of contract with Pelican Playgrounds Preservation Program Services Agreement.**

Upon motion of Wesley, seconded by Poole, the City Council authorized the renewal of contract with Pelican Playgrounds Preservation Program Services Agreement at a cost of \$800.00 per year.

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

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

18. **Authorize surplus of items from Departments, as listed.**

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Wesley, the City Council authorized the surplus of items from Departments, as listed on attachment.

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

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

19. Approve City of Denham Springs 2021 Audit Engagement letter with Hannis T. Bourgeois, CPA, as presented by Trey Sanders.

Upon motion of Poole, seconded by Wesley, the City Council approved the City of Denham Springs 2021 Audit Engagement letter with Hannis T. Bourgeois, CPA, as presented by Trey Sanders.

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

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

20. Introduce and authorize a public hearing for an Ordinance for Annexation and Rezoning of a certain 19.36 acre tract of land, located in Sections 45 & 48, T6S-R3E, G.L.D., City of Denham Springs, Livingston Parish, Louisiana (RZ-437 & ANX-004).

Upon motion of Wesley, seconded by Lamm-Williams, the City Council introduced and authorized a public hearing for an Ordinance for Annexation and an Ordinance for Rezoning of a certain 19.36 acre tract of land, located in Sections 45 & 48, T6S-R3E, G.L.D., City of Denham Springs, Livingston Parish, Louisiana (RZ-437 & ANX-004); to be held August 10, 2021 at 6:00 pm in the Court Room of the Municipal Building at 116 N. Range Ave., Denham Springs, LA.

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

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

21. Authorize advertisement of sealed bids for four Diesel Dri-Prime trash pumps for Wastewater Dept.

Upon motion of Dugas, seconded by Wesley, the City Council authorized the advertisement of sealed bids for four Diesel Dri-Prime trash pumps for Wastewater Dept.

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