

City of Leesville met in regular session on March 28th, 2016 at 3:00 p.m., at City Hall, Leesville, Louisiana. The pledge was given by Kyle Bush, Fire Cheif, and the invocation was given by Councilwoman Kennedy.

A roll call revealed the following members were present:

District 1	Chris Robertson	Present
District 2	Willie Mae Kennedy	Present
District 3	Danny Dowd	Absent
District 4	Tony Shapkoff	Present
Councilwoman at large	Alice Guess	Absent
Councilman at large	William Thomas	Present
Mayor	Rick Allen	Present

Moved by Councilman Robertson, seconded by Councilman Shapkoff, to approve the March 14th, 2015 City Council Minutes. Motion passed.

At this time, Alice Eddington, Finance Director, presented the monthly bills to the Council. She explained that the increase was due to a slight increase in day to day operating cost. They thanked her. Moved by Councilman Thomas, seconded by Councilman Robertson, to approve the Monthly Bills. Motion passed.

At the time, Alice Eddington, Finance Director, presented the Fiancials to the Council. She explained that operating revenues are beign collected at 58% and expenditures at 54% of budgeted amounts. The City of Leesville's operating income is in a surplis of \$940,859 as of February 29, 2016. They thanked her. Moved by Councilman Robertson, and seconded by Councilman Shapkoff, to approve the financials. Motion passed.

Next, Mayor Allen presented the pay requests:

Moved by Councilman Shapkoff, Seconded by Councilwoman Kennedy to approve pay request A. Motion passed.

A. Meyer & Associates, INC.	Fertita Blvd./ Street Rehabilitation Phase I	
DA Basic Engineering Services		\$13,136.14
For Period Ending 2/29/16	Invoice No. 25658	

Moved by Councilman Robertson, Seconded by Councilman Thomas to approve pay request B. Motion passed.

B. Mid South Fire Solutions, LLC	Replacement of Sprinkler System at Industrial Park	
March 16, 2016		\$8,637.00

Moved by Councilwoman Kennedy, seconded by Councilman Thomas, to approve **Resolution No. 12 of 2016**. Motion passed.

Resolution No. 12 of 2016 Mayor is hereby authorized to sign an intergovernmental agreement with the Vernon Parish Police Jury for the provision of equipment and labor in order to dig and/or clean the ditches at Vernon Middle School, located at 1410 Nona Street, Leesville, LA.

City Administrator, Richard Karamatic, is in the process of looking for a 12 to 15 passanger van for the MLK Center. Announced that last week was open enrollment for insurance polices for all City Employees. He announced that the roof at the MLK Center is now completed. Also he is working on getting prices for equipment to build handicapped tables at all City parks. Also the there are a number of trees at the Leesville Golf Course that are going to be removed, and is looking into getting bids to redo the tennis courts, which will be budgeted into next years budget.

City Engineer, Mark McCarty, announced he has no luck with the progress of Tabacco Plus, and that he will begin looking into placing that line in the right of way. Also Celco will begin marking lines for the storage tank while school is out for Spring Break.

City Council Members Closing Comments:

Councilwoman Guess- Absent

Councilman Dowd - Absent

Councilman Robertson- Thanked everyone for coming to the Ribbon Cutting at Dogwood Park for the handicapped equipment and also thanked the Vernon Parish School Board for helping with the installation of the equipment.

Councilwoman Kennedy- Asked that when the MLK Center receives the van that insurance policies be checked since children will be hauled and on liability issues. Thanked everyone involved for the completion of the MLK Center roof. Also thanked everyone involved with outreach programs for the flood victims in the Evans/ Burr Ferry Area.

Councilman Shapkoff- no comment.

Councilman Thomas – Asked to look into grants for Mertle Park, Karamatic announced that Mertle Park would be placed in the upcoming budget and additional funding will be looked into. Thanked everyone with any involvement with the flood victims and announced that their community is in need of hands and labor as they begin to rebuild.

Mayors Comments – Mayor Allen announced that the next project to begin will be the building of handicapped picnic tables which will be placed at all City Parks. He also gave great recognition to the Leesville Police Chief and his officers, as well as Fire Chief and his men and women for the great honoring of Sgt. Willie Allen.

There being no further business to come before the Council, it was moved by Councilman Thomas, and seconded by Councilman Robertson, to adjourn the regular session at 3:30 p.m. Motion Passed.

/S/Nikki Howe
City Clerk

/S/Rick Allen
Mayor