

City of Leesville met in regular session on April 25th, 2016 at 3:00 p.m., at City Hall, Leesville, Louisiana. The pledge was given by Councilman Shapkoff and the invocation was given by Councilman Thomas.

A roll call revealed the following members were present:

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

Moved by Councilwoman Guess, seconded by Councilman Thomas, to approve the April 11th 2016 City Council Minutes. Motion passed.

At this time, Stacy Lewis, Accounts Payable, presented the monthly bills to the Council. She explained that the increase was due to the cleco bill being on todays submittal as well as building renovations and demolition of condemned structures also being on todays submittal. They thanked her. Moved by Councilman Robertson, seconded by Councilman Shapkoff, to approve the Monthly Bills. Motion passed.

At this time, Alice Eddington, Finance Director, present the financials to the Council. She explained the City is nine months into the fiscal year. Operating revenues are being collected at 65% and expenditures are at 62% of budgeted amounts. The City’s operating income is at a surplus of \$991,250.00 as of March 31, 2016. They thanked her. Moved by Councilman Thomas, seconded by Councilman Shapkoff to accept the financials. Motion passed.

Next, Mayor Allen presented the pay requests:

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

A. Meyer & Associates, Inc.		Leesville LGAP Sewer
DA Basic Engineering Services	Invoice No. 25745	\$1,250.00
For Period Ending 3/31/15		

Moved by Councilwoman Kennedy, Seconded by Councilwoman Guess to approve pay request B. Motion passed

B. Geoengineering, Inc.	Fertita Blvd./Street Rehabilitation Phase 1	
B05 Geotechnical Investigation	Invoice No. 0139674	\$12,325.00
For Period Ending 3/31/15		

Moved by Councilman Dowd, Seconded by Councilwoman Kennedy to approve **Resolution 14 of 2016.**

Resolution No. 14 of 2016 City of Leesville is hereby authorized to apply to KABOOM for the procedurement of funds for the construction of a playground at Myrtle Park.

Moved by Councilman Shapkoff, Seconded by Councilman Robertson to approve **Resolution 15 of 2016.**

Resolution No. 15 of 2016 Mayor is hereby authorized to sign the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Office of Facility Planning and Control for Water System Rehabilitation and Generator, FP & C Project No. 50-MG3-15-02.

City Administrator, Richard Karamatic, Gave recognition to Judy Mitchell, Executive Assistant, and announced her resignation, he also introuduced Sonny Harrell to the Council who will be taking over the executive assistant position. He also gave an update on the MLK restrooms. Karamatic called upon Tammy Sharp to update Council on grants that the City has been applying for.

City Engineer, Mark McCarty, announced that the problems with the water lines at Pizza Hut has been resolved and as soon as weather permits work will soon be finished. He also discussed that the geotechnical report for the street rehabilitation project has come back and the streets are in worse condition than anticipated so the design of work is being reworked and the new pricing amounts will be presented at the next council meeting.

City Council Members Closing Comments:

Councilwoman Guess- Announced the Spring Trash Bash had a great turn out and thanked everyone who participated. She gave recognition to Mrs. Judy for all her hard work and gave best wishes to her. She also welcomed Sonny on board.

Councilman Dowd – Thanked Mrs. Judy for her service to the City, he announced there will be an Eagle Scout project ceremony at Liberty Park on Saturday April 30th. He also asked that the City Attorney seek information concerning Ward 4 water customers.

Councilman Robertson- Thanked DOTD for the work they have done around the City and for the great job done on Hwy 171. He asked Mr. Karamatic to contact DOTD in regards to a sign being placed for heavy loads to remain in the right hand lane. Also thanked Mrs. Judy for service to the City.

Councilwoman Kennedy- Thanked Mrs. Judy for her service and all that she has done for the City, as well as welcomed Sonny. She also thanked Mr. Karamatic to taking the step forward and allowing the reconstruction at the MLK Center.

Councilman Shapkoff- Announced he is pleased with the completed work done on Hwy 171, and asked that crews continue to work around the City and clean up the drains and ditches.

Councilman Thomas – Thanked the Mayor and the Fire Department and Police Department for being at the Special Olympics and presenting awards. Thanked Mrs. Judy for her services and asked for prayers for her and her husband.

Mayors Comments – Mayor Allen thanked Mrs. Thomas and Mrs. Goodwin for allowing him to present awards at the Special Olympics, Thanked Mrs. Judy for her services and announced he will miss her tremendously. He also announced that over 4,000 pounds of trash was picked up during the Trash Bash. He announced the City is currently looking at purchasing a street sweeper to help keeping the streets and gutters clean. Thanked DOTD for all their hard work and announced he is very pleased with the road construction and finished project on Hwy 171.

There being no further business to come before the Council, it was moved by Councilman Shapkoff, and seconded by Councilman Thomas, to adjourn the regular session at 3:56 p.m. Motion Passed.

/S/Nikki Howe
City Clerk

/S/Rick Allen
Mayor