

City of Leesville met in regular session on June 27, 2016 at 3:00 p.m., at City Hall, Leesville, Louisiana. The pledge was given by Councilman Thomas and the invocation was given by Mr. Stokes, MLK Supervisor. 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 June 13th 2016 City Council Minutes. Motion passed.

At this time, Stacy Lewis, Accounts Payable, presented the monthly bills to the Council. She explained that there was a increase of \$29,662.69 the increase is attributed to the fire hydrant repairs as well as wastewater treatment plant repairs. They thanked her. Moved by Councilman Robertson, seconded by Councilwoman Kennedy, to approve the Monthly Bills. Motion passed.

At this time, Alice Eddington, Finance Director, presented the monthly bills to the Council. She explained that there is a surplus of 1,937,777 as of May 31, 2016. The increase is accounted for by the fact that taxes are being collected at 92%, occupational license at 14% more than projected and services are being collected at 91% of budgeted amounts. The city is 11 months into the fiscal year. Operating revenues are being collected at 89% of budgeted amounts and total operating expenditures are at 78% of budgeted amounts. They thanked her. Moved by Councilman Dowd, seconded by Councilwoman Guess to approve the Financials. Motion Passed.

Next, Mayor Allen presented the pay requests:

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

A. Meyer & Associates, INC	Leesville DWRLF Water Improvements
E22 Davis Bacon Monitoring	\$3,700.00
For Period Ending 5/31/16	Invoice No. 25881

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

B. Meyer & Associates, INC.	Fertita Blvd./Street Rehabilitation Phase 1
DA Basic Engineering Services	\$8,806.63
For Period Ending 5/31/16	Invoice No. 25865

Moved by Councilman Robertson, Seconded by Councilman Thomas to table as requested by City Administrator, Willie Banks Jr., **Resolution 27 of 2016.**

Resolution No. 27 of 2016 Resolution to approve a pay increase for Interim City Administrator, Willie Banks Jr., after a 30 day period.

Moved by Councilman Robertson, Seconded by Councilman Thomas to approve **Resolution 28 of 2016.**

Resolution No. 28 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 resurface/repave Belview Road.

City Administrator, Willie Banks, announced that he would be leaving as interim after 90 days and that his goal is to have a name to present to the council by the second council meeting in July for the administrator position. Always the audit will begin August 23rd, 2016, and the preparation for the audit has began.

City Engineer, Mark McCarty, Announced that the parking lot of Pizza Hut was dry and plans to have a submission for substantial completion for this project by the next meeting. University Parkway Water System is going to have service transferred to the new line and main tie ins will begin the week of June 27th.

City Council Members Closing Comments:

Councilwoman Guess- Thanked Mayor Beebe of Hornbeck for the Natural Gas Project, and thanked Banks for his time spent at the City.

Councilman Dowd – Discussed the Community Development position with the Mayor in regards to duties and task to be preformed for that position. He also asked for the progress of seeking a new city attorney and made the suggestion of Trey Gist.

Councilman Robertson- Looking forward to a new administrator in hope that he/she brings new ideas into the city. Thanked everyone for the push on the Belview Road project and thanked Ricky West for his update on that upcoming project and the work that has already been started.

Councilwoman Kennedy- Ask about the distribution on advertising for City Administrator, being advertised through LMA. Spoke of concerns in regards to the work load for the Community Development Specialist position.

Councilman Shapkoff- Asked about the transition process once a new administrator is appointed, asked for update on street repairs, city engineer advised that work plans will be submitted to contactors for bids the upcoming week.

Councilman Thomas – Thanked everyone for coming and asked that Public Works show some attention to cleaning under the underpass on both North bound and South bound lanes. Asked that all departments tighten up on budget and spending as the fiscal year is ending.

Mayors Comments – Announced that the City would be having a downtown Bike Rally event July 2nd, as well as Freedom Fest on Ft. Polk July 2nd. Also discussed a possible agreement with VPSO on inmate supervision and crew leaders. Mayor Allen also discussed that Wednesday June 29th that unpaid property taxes for 2015 would be sent to collections.

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 3:35 p.m. Motion Passed.

/S/Nikki Howe
City Clerk

/S/Rick Allen
Mayor