

The City of Leesville held a public meeting on November 28, 2016 at 3:00 p.m. at City Hall, Leesville, Louisiana, for the Approving of Ordinance 7 of 2016 and Ordinance 8 of 2016.

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	Present
Councilman at large	William Thomas	Present
Mayor	Rick Allen	Present

Mayor Allen, opened the Public Hearing of Ordinance 7 of 2016 an ordinance for enlarging and extending the boundaries of the City of Leesville, Louisisana, pursuant to the assent of the voters and resident property owners within the area proposed to be included in the corporate limits.

Nikki Howe read the ordinance outloud. She asked if there was anyone from the public wishing to speak on this ordinance? Marvin Hilton residing at 171 Hilton Drive filled out a public comment card to speak on this matter.

Mr. Hilton was concerned about sewer taps and water lines that would be running in that area. Mayor Allen informed Mr. Hilton that all the appropriate lines have been installed and that it is the owners responsibility to connect to the main lines.

A roll call revealed the following members accepted Ordinance 7 of 2016:

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	Present
Councilman at large	William Thomas	Present
Mayor	Rick Allen	Present

Mayor Allen, opened the Public Hearing of Ordinance 8 of 2016 an ordinance to revoke the dedication of aforementioned streets of said parcels of the Schweitzer McFarland Addition No. 2.

Nikki Howe read the ordinance outloud. She asked if there was anyone from the public wishing to speak on this ordinance? Charles Babineaux, Chairman for the Planning and Zoning Commission filled out a public comment form to speak on this matter.

Mr. Babineaux stated concerns in regards to Ordinance 8 and the verbage used in the reading. He asked for the council to make an admendment to the wording, he asked that the wording public hearing that was held by the zoning board to read as a special meeting verses public hearing since the board called a special meeting regarding this matter.

Mayor Allen, asked for an admendment to the ordinance to change the wording from public hearing to special meeting. The motion was made by Councilman Thomas, seconded by Councilman Robertson. Motion passed.

A roll call revealed the following members accepted Ordinance 8 of 2016:

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	Present
Councilman at large	William Thomas	Present
Mayor	Rick Allen	Present

Mayor Allen asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Councilman Shapkoff offered, with a second by Councilwoman Kennedy. Motion Passed.

City of Leesville met in regular session on November 28, 2016 at 3:00 p.m., at City Hall, Leesville, Louisiana. The pledge was given by Councilman Shapkoff, 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	Absent
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 Robertson, to approve the November 14, 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 decrease of \$42,670.61. The decrease is a result of City Hall being closed for Thanksgiving. Moved by Councilman Robertson, seconded by Councilman Thomas, to approve the Monthly Bills. Motion passed.

At this time, Alice Eddington, Finance Director, presented the financials to the Council. She explained that the City of Leesville, as of October 31, 2016, has a surplus of \$141,146. The City has a budgeted surplus of \$714,268, which means the City’s projected expenses are less than the projected revenue. The collection of revenue for the Occupational Licenses are starting to be received. The collection of Ad Valorem Taxes revenue will begin between the 1st and 2nd week of December and will be collected until all parcels have been paid or sold at City sale. An increase of revenue will be seen during the months of November thru March while spending remains steady throughout the year. She explained that the City is four months into the fiscal year and should be collecting and spending at 26% of budgeted amounts. Operating revenues collected are 26% of budgeted amounts, and operating expenses are 20% of budgeted amounts.

Next, Mayor Allen presented the Pay Request:

Moved by Councilwoman Guess, seconded by Councilman Thomas to approve pay request A. Motion passed.

A. Jeffery K. Skidmore, Clerk of Court	Rehabilitation of W. Singleton Street
A04 Recording Cost	\$180.00
For Period Ending 10/31/16	Receipt No. 2016-00061211

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 7 OF 2016

Mayor Allen opened the **Adoption of Ordinance No. 7 of 2016**. Nikki Howe, City Clerk read the Ordinance aloud. Motion passed through roll call vote:

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

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 7 OF 2016

On a motion by Councilman Thomas and seconded by Councilman Robertson.

“AN ORDINANCE ENLARGING AND EXTENDING THE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA, PURSUANT TO THE ASSENT OF THE VOTERS AND RESIDENT PROPERTY OWNERS WITHIN THE AREA PROPOSED TO BE INCLUDED IN THE CORPORATE LIMITS”

“LOUISIANA HIGHWAY 28 ANNEXATION”

WHEREAS, a petition has been presented to the Mayor and Council Members of the City of Leesville, Louisiana, containing the written assent of a majority of the registered voters, a majority in number of the resident property owners, and at least twenty-five percent in value of the property of the resident property owners within the proposed area, requesting that the same be annexed to and included in the territorial corporate limits of the City of Leesville, so as to constitute a part thereof; and,

WHEREAS, notice of said petition has been given by publication in the Leesville Daily Leader and no opposition has been filed thereto;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS OF THE CITY OF LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA, in legal session convened, after a public hearing held on the 28th day of November, 2016 that:

SECTION 1. Property proposed for annexation into the Corporate Limits of the City of Leesville, Parish of Vernon, State of Louisiana; is more particularly described as follows:

***** See Exhibit “A” attached hereto. *****

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a description of the boundaries of the corporate limits of the City of Leesville, inclusive of the above described and annexed territory shall be recorded by the Clerk of Court of Vernon Parish, Louisiana, in the conveyance records of said parish within ten (10) days from the adoption hereof.

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. With the above ordinance having been introduced on November 14, 2016, and a public hearing having been held and a record vote was taken and the following result was had.

The following Council Members voted as follows:

- Chris Robertson.....yea
- Willie Mae Kennedy..... yea
- Danny Dowd.....absent
- Tony Shapkoff..... yea
- Alice Guess..... yea
- William Thomas.....yea

Where upon receiving the affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the Council, the presiding officer declared the above Ordinance duly adopted on November 28, 2016, and Mayor Rick Allen affixed his signature in open session.

CITY OF LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA

/s/Rick Allen, Mayor

ATTEST: none

/s/Nikki Howe, City Clerk

Mayor Allen opened the **Adoption of Ordinance No. 8 of 2016**. Nikki Howe, City Clerk read the Ordinance aloud. Motion passed through roll call vote:

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

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 8 OF 2016

Mayor Allen opened the **Adoption of Ordinance No. 8 of 2016**. Nikki Howe, City Clerk read the Ordinance aloud. Motion passed through roll call vote:

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

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 8 of 2016

WHEREAS, the Leesville Planning and Zoning Commission, at a special meeting held November 10, 2016, considered an application to revoke the dedication of said parcels: 0111245008B, 0111873346, 0111244999, 0111245026, 0111537773, and 0111245021 of Blocks 25-28 Section 26, Township 9, Range 9 being east of South 4th Street(next to Fina Fueling Station) and south of Glass Tech Services in District #4 and encompasses approximately 6.241 acres of C-2 Commercial District, C-4 Highway Commercial and M-3 General Industrial District zoned property. A request is being made by Williams Management and Consulting Inc. for the revocation of the following streets within these parcels:

320 feet of Concord Street, east of South 4th Street; 440 feet of Magnolia Street, east of South 4th Street, South of Concord Street; 560 feet of South Oak Street, east of South 4th Street, South of Concord Street; 300 feet of an Alley, east of South 4th Street, South of Concord Street; and 580 feet of West 2ns Street, east of South 4th Street, south of Concord Street of Schweitzer McFarland Addition No. 2; and

WHEREAS, the Leesville Planning and Zoning Commission, upon unanimous vote, recommended to the Leesville City Council that said property to be revoked as requested; and

WHEREAS, the ordinance was introduced during a regular meeting on the 14th day of November, 2016, with no opposition noted; and

WHEREAS, the public hearing for this Ordinance is scheduled on the 28th day of November, 2016; and

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED that the Leesville City Council, hereby, revokes the dedication of aforementioned streets of said parcels of the Schweitzer McFarland Addition No. 2.

This Ordinance adopted by the following vote at regular meeting on the 28th day of November, 2016.

- Yeas: Robertson, Kennedy, Shapkoff, Guess, Thomas, Mayor Allen
- Nays: None
- Absent: Dowd
- Abstain: None

 /s/Rick Allen, Mayor

ATTEST:

 /s/Nikki Howe, City Clerk

Moved by Councilman Thomas, seconded by Councilman Robertson to approve **Resolution 57 of 2016**.

Resolution No. 57 of 2016 Mayor is hereby authorized to sign the First Amendment to the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the City of Leesville and the Office and Facility Planning and Control for the Acquisition of East Central Water System, FP&C Project No. 50-MG3-14-01

Moved by Councilwoman Guess, Seconded by Councilwoman Kennedy to Approve **Resolution 58 of 2016**.

Resolution No. 58 of 2016 Mayor and City Council that the City does hereby reschedule the second Council Meeting in December of 2016 to the 19th day of December 2016.

City Administrator, Patti Larney, gave her update to the council. She explained the audit is soon to be finished. The auditors were waiting on paperwork from the City Attorney, which has been mailed.

City Engineer, Mark McCarty, gave an update on work to be done on Kings Road and Anderson Drive. He explained the water and sewer lines on Hwy 28 to the Council. He announced that the bid opening for Fertitta Blvd Phase II would open at 10 AM on December 1st.

City Council Members Closing Comments:

Councilwoman Guess- Thanked the Planning and Zoning Commission for the work they have done and advising the Council. She announced that the Holiday Express Train would be in Leesville December 6th, and the Youth Council would be working the event.

Councilman Dowd – Absent.

Councilman Robertson- Thanked Planning and Zoning also, and thanked them for calling the special meeting regarding the street revocation. He thanked public works and all the public service departments for their work done around the City.

Councilwoman Kennedy- She also thanked the Planning and Zoning commission as well as Grant Bush for the work that both of them have done for the City. She announced that December 2nd at 5 PM Jubilee Park will be hosting their Christmas Lighting.

Councilman Shapkoff- He also thanked the Planning and Zoning for their work. He asked that all Vets and Active Duty Military to be kept in our prayers. He thanked Public Works for their work in District 4.

Councilman Thomas – Thanked Planning and Zoning for their work and thanked Lt. Warren for being present at the meeting and stepping in on situations at council meetings.

Mayors Comments – Apologized to the Council and public for the arugement at the public hearing. He also asked that everyone keep Gary Bristers family in thoughts and prayers for his passing. He announced that tax season is coming up and that the City will be reaching out to those in the City as a reminder to pay. He announced that the City will be working with Waste Management in donating bicycles to needy children for Christmas.

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 4:15 p.m. Motion Passed.

/S/Nikki Howe
City Clerk

/S/Rick Allen
Mayor