

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES
May 13, 2019

Called to Order Mayor Allen

Invocation was given by Elder Leroy Stokes

Pledge was led by Reverend Maurice Johnson

Roll Call revealed 7 present: Councilmembers Robertson, Kennedy, Ybarra, Shapkoff, Guess, Thomas, Mayor Allen

Minutes of April 22, 2019 – to accept the minutes was moved to accept was by Councilmember Guess, seconded by Councilmember Thomas with 1 – Abstain (Robertson). Motion passed.

Monthly Bills – to approve the monthly bills was moved Councilmember Robertson and seconded Councilmember Ybarra. Motion passed.

Pay Requests:

Moved by Councilmember Shapkoff and seconded by Councilmember Kennedy to approve Pay Request A. Motion passed.

A. Leesville DWRLF

M.A. Project No. A812037

MCMC, LLC - KF Construction Ground Storage Tank
Geotechnical Testing Lab

Pay Estimate No. 7 \$104,089.88
Invoice No. 218552-319 \$1,281.25

Moved by Councilmember Robertson and seconded by Councilmember Guess to approve Pay Request B. Motion passed.

B. 17-18 Street Rehabilitation

M.A. Project No. B617045

Geotechnical Testing Lab

Invoice No. 218313-319 \$38.00

City Engineer Update - Mark McCarty gave a brief update on the street project and elevated water storage tank. See engineer's status report.

Discussion of Update of Condemned Property located at 813 Dennis Avenue – Anthony Miller (property owner). Anthony Miller was not present. Councilmember Ybarra stated that Mr. Miller has two to provide contractual statement to Billy McShan of MHI Construction for review in order to recommend to the council to allow the property owner proceed with work to remove from condemned property list.

Discussion regarding annexation of New Willow Baptist Church located at 443 Red Town Rd. Leesville, LA. Mayor Allen asked the Mark McCarty to assess annexation options that would be more feasible for the church to annex.

Presentation regarding annexation of Country Club Road Grant Bush presented detailed facts and areas for the annexation and informed the public of the benefits.

Moved by Councilmember Guess, seconded by Councilmember Ybarra to accept the Introduction of Ordinance 2 of 2019. Motion passed.

Introduction of Ordinance 2 of 2019 – An ordinance for the City Council to accept the FY18-19 Budget Amendment and FY19-20 Budget proposals. Public Hearing will be on June 3, 2019. (No Comments)

Moved by Councilmember Robertson, seconded by Councilmember Kennedy to accept the Introduction of Ordinance 3 of 2019. Motion passed.

Introduction of Ordinance 3 of 2019 – An ordinance amending the City Code of Ordinances regarding “Trash Fires”. Public Hearing will be on June 3, 2019. (No Comments)

Moved by Councilmember Kennedy, seconded by Councilmember Guess to accept the Introduction of Ordinance 4 of 2019. Motion passed.

Introduction of Ordinance 4 of 2019 – An ordinance amending the City Code of Ordinances regarding “naming and renaming city streets”. Public Hearing will be on June 3, 2109. (No Comments)

Moved by Councilmember Guess, seconded by Councilmember Ybarra to accept the Introduction of Ordinance 5 of 2019. Motion passed with roll call votes: Robertson – Yes, Kennedy – Yes, Ybarra – Yes, Shapkoff – Yes, Guess – Yes, Thomas – Yes, and Mayor Allen – Yes.

Introduction of Ordinance 5 of 2019 – An ordinance providing for the continuation of and order to levy within the City of Leesville, Parish of Vernon, State of Louisiana an ad valorem property tax for a period of 15 years at a rate of 4.2 mils that was authorized at a special election in the City of Leesville on May 4, 2019. Public Hearing will be on June 3, 2019. (No Comments)

Moved by Councilmember Kennedy, seconded by Councilmember Guess to approve Resolution 38 of 2019. Motion passed with no comments.

Resolution 38 of 2019 – A resolution for the City Council to reschedule the first council meeting in June from Monday, June 10, 2019 to Monday, June 3, 2019 due to City Council members traveling to Washington, D.C. for the 2019 ADC Summit. (No Comments)

Moved by Councilmember Thomas, seconded by Councilmember Ybarra to approve Resolution 39 of 2019. Motion passed with no comments.

Resolution 39 of 2019 – A resolution for the City Council to authorize the Mayor to sign a maintenance agreement between the City of Leesville and Department of Transportation and Development Office of Engineering for grass and litter control. (No Comments)

Moved by Councilmember Guess, seconded by Councilmember Ybarra to approve Resolution 40 of 2019. Motion passed with no comments.

Resolution 40 of 2019 – A resolution for the City Council to authorize announcement of bids for the Leesville DWRLF Project No. Aa-12037-DN Replacement of Water Meters. (No Comments)

Moved by Councilmember Robertson, seconded by Councilmember Ybarra to approve Resolution 41 of 2019. Motion passed with no comments.

Resolution 41 of 2019 – A resolution for the City Council to authorize the Mayor to execute an agreement between the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (LA DOTD) and the City of Leesville Municipal Airport to utilize the fund from the Transportation Trust Fund for the Runway Safety area. (No Comments)

Moved by Councilmember Shapkoff, seconded by Councilmember Robertson to approve Resolution 42 of 2019. Motion passed with no comments.

Resolution 42 of 2019 – A resolution for the City Council to authorize the Mayor to execute a contract with Thompson Tree and Spraying Service, Inc. for vegetation control at the municipal airport. (No Comments)

Moved by Councilmember Robertson, seconded by Councilmember Kennedy to approve Resolution 43 of 2019. Motion passed with no comments.

Resolution 43 of 2019 – A resolution for the City Council to authorize the Mayor to execute a contract with APECK Construction, LLC for Hay Production at the municipal airport. (No Comments)

Moved by Councilmember Kennedy, seconded by Councilmember Guess to approve Resolution 44 of 2019. Motion passed with no comments.

Resolution 44 of 2019 – A resolution for the City Council to authorize the Mayor to execute a contract with the State of LA Division of Administration for the 18-19 (CWEF) Community Water Enrichment Fund to purchase water meters. (No Comment)

Moved by Councilmember Ybarra, seconded by Councilmember Robertson to approve Resolution 45 of 2019. Motion passed with roll call votes: Robertson – Yes, Kennedy – Yes, Ybarra – Yes, Shapkoff – Yes, Guess – Yes, Thomas – Yes, and Mayor Allen – Yes. No comments.

Resolution 45 of 2019 – A resolution for the City Council to adopt the election results from the May 4, 2019 Election. (No Comments)

City Administrator – Patti Larney stated the site plans for BJ’s Diner were submitted to the planning and zoning and holiday closure reminder for the Memorial Day.

City Attorney – Max Antony had no updates.

Council Member Comments – Collectively, the council thanked all the departments for their hard work, congratulated the Class of 2019, appreciated the donors for making contributions to Myrtle Park, and success of Mayfest Celebration.

Public Comments – No public comments were made.

Mayor’s Comment – Mayor had no comments but allowed Rev. Maurice Johnson to speak.

Motion to adjourn was moved by Councilmember Guess and seconded by Councilmember Robertson at 3:49 p.m. with no further business. Motion passed.

/S/Sonny Harrell
City Clerk

/S/Rick Allen
Mayor