

PUBLIC MEETING/HEARING MINUTES
June 3, 2019

PUBLIC HEARING:

Called to Order by Mayor Allen and roll call revealed 5 present and 2 absent (Councilmembers Robertson, Kennedy, Ybarra, Shapkoff, and Mayor Allen and 2 absent: Thomas and Guess).

Public Hearing Items discussed:

Adoption of Ordinance 2 of 2019 – An ordinance for the City Council to accept the FY18-19 Budget Amendment and FY19-20 Budget proposals. Approved for adoption was moved by Councilmember Robertson and seconded by Councilmember Shapkoff. (No Public Comments)

Adoption of Ordinance 3 of 2019 – An ordinance amending the City Code of Ordinances regarding “Trash Fires”. Approved to table was moved by Councilmember Kennedy and seconded by Councilmember Robertson. (No Public Comments)

Adoption of Ordinance 4 of 2019 – An ordinance amending the City Code of Ordinances regarding “naming and renaming city streets”. Approved to table was moved by Councilmember Shapkoff and seconded by Councilmember Kennedy. (No Public Comments)

Adoption 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. Approved for adoption was moved by Councilmember Shapkoff and seconded by Councilmember Kennedy. (No Public Comments)

Moved to adjourn was made by Councilmember Shapkoff and seconded by Councilmember Kennedy at 3:14 p.m.

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PUBLIC MEETING:

Called to Order Mayor Allen

Invocation was given by Elder Leroy Stokes

Pledge was led by Mason Weaver

Roll Call revealed 5 present: Councilmembers Robertson, Kennedy, Ybarra, Shapkoff, and Mayor Allen and 2 absent: Thomas and Guess.

Minutes of May 13, 2019 – to accept the minutes was moved by Councilmember Ybarra and seconded by Councilmember Robertson. Motion passed.

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

Pay Requests:

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

A. Leesville DWRLF

M.A. Project No. A812037

Meyer & Associates, Inc.	Invoice No. 28507	\$ 1,500.85
Meyer & Associates, Inc.	Invoice No. 28519	\$ 1,980.00
Jeffery K Skidmore, Clerk of Court	Receipt No. 2019-890037	\$ 205.00
Diamond Enterprise, Inc.	Pay Estimate No. 1	\$105,222.00

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

B. 17-18 Street Rehabilitation

M.A. Project No. B617045

Geotechnical Testing Lab	Invoice No. 218538-419	\$8.75
Williams Equipment Services, LLC	Final Pay Estimate No. 10	\$56,637.91 (Phase I)

Moved by Councilmember Kennedy and seconded by Councilmember Ybarra to approve Pay Request C. Motion passed.

C. DEQ Compliance Improvements

MA Project No. A918078

Meyer & Associates, Inc.	Invoice No. 28518	\$1,686.06
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City Engineer Update - Mark McCarty gave a brief update on the water project for the elevated water storage tank at the Industrial Park.

Presentation – The City of Leesville presented Mr. Scott Stearns with a certificate of appreciation for his work with the City as the Ft. Polk Public Affairs Officer.

Mayor Allen asked for a motion to amend the agenda to add a resolution for the City of Leesville to submit a bid proposal for vegetation control project to Pride Industries. Moved to amend the agenda was made by Councilmember Kennedy and seconded by Councilmember Ybarra. Motion passed with no public comments.

Moved by Councilmember Kennedy, seconded by Councilmember Robertson to approve Resolution 48 of 2019. Motion passed with no comments.

Resolution 48 of 2019 – A resolution for the City of Leesville to submit a bid proposal for vegetation control project to Pride Industries.

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 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. The property owner has until June 24, 2019 to satisfy the council.

Discussion regarding annexation of New Willow Baptist Church located at 443 Red Town Rd. Leesville, LA. Mayor Allen stated that New Willow Baptist Church agreed to the annexation options.

Moved by Councilmember Robertson, seconded by Councilmember Ybarra to approve the Adoption of Ordinance 2 of 2019. Motion passed with roll call votes: Robertson – Yes, Kennedy – Yes, Ybarra – Yes, Shapkoff – Yes, Guess – Absent, Thomas – Absent, and Mayor Allen – Yes. No public comments were made.

Adoption 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 Ybarra, seconded by Councilmember Robertson to table the Adoption of Ordinance 3 of 2019. Motion passed with roll call votes: Robertson – Yes, Kennedy – Yes, Ybarra – Yes, Shapkoff – Yes, Guess – Absent, Thomas – Absent, and Mayor Allen – Yes. No public comments were made.

Adoption 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 Shapkoff, seconded by Councilmember Kennedy to table the Adoption of Ordinance 4 of 2019. Motion passed with roll call votes: Robertson – Yes, Kennedy – Yes, Ybarra – Yes, Shapkoff – Yes, Guess – Absent, Thomas – Absent, and Mayor Allen – Yes. No public comments were made.

Adoption 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 approve the Adoption of Ordinance 5 of 2019. Motion passed with roll call votes: Robertson – Yes, Kennedy – Yes, Ybarra – Yes, Shapkoff – Yes, Guess – Absent, Thomas – Absent, and Mayor Allen – Yes. No public comments were made.

Adoption 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 Robertson, seconded by Councilmember Ybarra to approve Resolution 46 of 2019. Motion passed with no comments.

Resolution 46 of 2019 – A resolution for the Mayor and City Council to accept Change Order No. 3 regarding the Street Rehab and Extension Project, FP&C Project No. 50-MG3-14-02. (Public Comments)

Moved by Councilmember Kennedy, seconded by Councilmember Shapkoff to approve Resolution 47 of 2019. Motion passed with no comments.

Resolution 47 of 2019 – A resolution for Council approval to request for bids on lawn mowers for the Public Works and Fort Polk Vegetation Control Departments. (Public Comments)

City Administrator – Patti Larney reminded everyone of the boil advisory that was issued on this past weekend; alerts have been posted to the city’s facebook book page, nixel alerts; and thanked Scott Stearns for his dedication and service to the City of Leesville and welcomed a new employee, Ronald Williams.

City Attorney – Absent.

Council Member Comments – Collectively, the council thanked all the departments for their hard work, Council members Ybarra and Robertson thanked Sherwin-Williams for their paint donation and their assistance in painting the equipment at Myrtle Park. Councilmember Kennedy announced an event - Juneteenth Celebration at the MLK Community Center.

Public Comments – No public comments were made.

Mayor’s Comment – Mayor thanked Councilmember Ybarra for her efforts with Myrtle Park; thanked Ron Williams for the update with the FPVC; and public works for working on the water leak.

Motion to adjourn was moved by Councilmember Shapkoff and seconded by Councilmember Robertson at 3:48 p.m. with no further business. Motion passed.

/S/Sonny Harrell
City Clerk

/S/Rick Allen
Mayor