

PUBLIC MEETING
MINUTES
JULY 13, 2020

Due to the COVID-19 PANDEMIC & the current STAY AT HOME ORDER, physical public attendance was prohibited in the council meeting as part of the COVID-19 Mitigations. If any person desired to submit comments on item(s) listed on the public hearing/meeting agenda, he or she was allowed to submit their comment(s) to your elected officials or the Leesville City Clerk of the Council Sonny Harrell via phone, fax, email, or mail prior to Monday, July 13, 2020.

PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES:

July 13, 2020 Public Hearing was called to order by Mayor Allen at 3:03p.m.

Roll call revealed 5 present: Robertson, Ybarra, Guess, Hunt, and Mayor Allen and 2 absent - Kennedy, Shapkoff. See Proclamation JBE 2020 issued March 19, 2020 - COVID-19 Mitigations.

Mayor Allen opened the public hearing to discuss Ordinance 3 of 2020 regarding the annexation of Entrance Road in Leesville (Vernon Parish) Louisiana.

Mayor Allen allowed for any Public Comments regarding the item listed and no comments were offered.

Moved to adjourn was by Councilmember Hunt and seconded by Councilmember Guess at 3:04p.m. Motion passed.

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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:

Regular session of the Leesville City Council Meeting was called to order was by Mayor Allen at 3:03 PM.

Invocation was given by Pastor Jack Osteen.

Pledge was led by Pastor Jack Osteen.

Roll call revealed 5 present: Robertson, Ybarra, Guess, Hunt, and Mayor Allen and 2 absent - Kennedy, Shapkoff. See Proclamation JBE 2020 issued March 19, 2020 - COVID-19 Mitigations.

Moved to accept the minutes of June 22, 2020 was by Councilmember Guess and seconded by Councilmember Ybarra. Motion passed.

Moved to approve the monthly bills was by Councilmember Ybarra and seconded by Councilmember Robertson. Motion passed.

Moved to approve the Pay Request A was by Councilmember Guess and seconded by Councilmember Robertson. Motion passed.

A. Airport Rehab of Rwy. 18 and 36 REILS Project # H.014260

H3 Electric LLC	Invoice 2348	\$1,200.00
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Condemnation update on 205 N. 10th Street; matter was discussed among Council, Grant Bush, and owner of the property, Brad Lane. Council decided to move forward with the condemnation and the owner may resolve this matter at their will.

Moved to condemn structure located 205 N. 10th Street was made by Councilmember Robertson and seconded by Councilmember Hunt. Motion passed.

Moved by Councilmember Robertson and seconded by Councilmember Hunt to adopt Ordinance 3 of 2020. There no public comments given. Motion passed with the following roll call to wit: Robertson - Yes, Kennedy - Absent, Ybarra - Yes, Shapkoff - Absent, Guess - Yes, Hunt - Yes, Mayor Allen - Yes.

Ordinance 3 of 2020 - An introduction of an ordinance amending and enlarging the corporate limits of the City of Leesville, Vernon Parish, Louisiana, assent to the property owners within the area proposed to be included in the corporate limits known as ENTRANCE ROAD. Public Hearing on this matter will be July 13, 2020.

Moved by Councilmember Guess and seconded by Councilmember Robertson to accept Ordinance 4 of 2020. There no public comments given. Motion passed with the following roll call to wit: Robertson - Yes, Kennedy - Absent, Ybarra - Yes, Shapkoff - Absent, Guess - Yes, Hunt - Yes, Mayor Allen - Yes.

Introduction of Ordinance 4 of 2020 - An ordinance to amend and rezone a certain parcel from A-8 High Density Urban District to A-6 MS Single Family Urban District to allow for a mobile home in District 2. Public hearing on this matter will be on July 27, 2020.

Moved by Councilmember Ybarra and seconded by Councilmember Hunt to approve Resolution 34 of 2020. Motion passed with no public comments.

Resolution 34 of 2020 - A resolution for Council approval to accept Leesville Daily Leader as the official legal journal for the City of Leesville for FY July 2020 thru June 2021.

Moved by Councilmember Guess and seconded by Councilmember Robertson to approve Resolution 35 of 2020. Motion passed with no public comments.

Resolution 35 of 2020 - A resolution to seek professional engineering services to implement the 5 Year Capital Improvement Program for the Leesville Municipal Airport.

Moved by Councilmember Robertson and seconded by Councilmember Ybarra to approve Resolution 36 of 2020. Motion passed with no public comments.

Resolution 36 of 2020 - A resolution for the Council to authorize to purchase a vehicle for the Public Works Department.

Moved by Councilmember Ybarra and seconded by Councilmember Hunt to approve Resolution 37 of 2020. Motion passed with no public comments.

Resolution 37 of 2020 - A resolution to authorize the Mayor to sign and execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement (CEA) with the LA Department of Veterans' Affairs.

Moved by Councilmember Robertson and seconded by Councilmember Hunt to approve Resolution 38 of 2020. Motion passed with no public comments.

Resolution 38 of 2020 - A resolution for the Council to authorize the City to seek special counsel in the matter of the Entrance Road annexation.

Under the advisement of the City Attorney, Max Antony, Ordinance 3 of 2020 was re-read by the City Clerk and council was asked to re-vote on the item out of abundance of caution.

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City Administrator - No updates.

City Attorney - Max Antony had no updates.

Council Member Comments - Collectively, the council encouraged everyone to stay safe; thanked the citizens for attending and department heads for their service, and encouraged citizens to check on the elderly due to the extreme heat. Councilman Hunt inquired on the progress of the grass mowing contract and Grant Bush replied the work is continuing however, has been slow.

No other pertinent comments related to City business were made.

Mayor Allen asked Council to consider amending the agenda to correct and clarify item 13 - Resolution 36 of

2020. No public comments were given on this matter. Moved to amend the agenda was by Councilmember Robertson and seconded by Councilmember Guess. Roll call votes: Robertson - Yes, Kennedy - Absent, Ybarra - Yes, Shapkoff - Absent, Guess - Yes, Hunt - Yes, Mayor Allen - Yes.

Moved by Councilmember Robertson and seconded by Councilmember Guess to approve Resolution 36 of 2020. Motion passed with no public comments.

Resolution 36 of 2020 - A resolution for the Council to authorize to purchase two vehicles for the Public Works Department.

Mayor Allen introduce Khyleigh Callier and she talked about her community service project and asked for support in her endeavor.

To adjourn the regular meeting was moved by Councilmember Ybarra seconded by Councilmember Guess at 3:46 pm. Motion passed.

/s/ Sonny Harrell, City Clerk

/s/ Rick Allen, Mayor