

PUBLIC MEETING
MINUTES
APRIL 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, April 13, 2020. This public/hearing meeting was made available via Facebook Live for public access to maintain transparency and allow for public participation. Councilmembers were permitted to participate remotely pursuant to Proclamation JBE2020 – LA R.S. 42:11 amid COVID-19.

Regular session of the Leesville City Council Meeting was called to order was by Mayor Allen at 3:00 PM.

Invocation was given by Mayor Rick Allen.

Pledge was led by Councilman Chris Robertson.

Roll Call revealed 7 present: Robertson, Kennedy - Remote, Ybarra, Shapkoff, Guess - Remote, Hunt, and Mayor Allen. See Proclamation JBE 2020 issued March 19, 2020 - COVID-19 Mitigations.

Moved to accept the minutes of March 9, 2020 was by Councilmember Hunt and seconded by Councilmember Robertson with 1 abstain by Councilmember Shapkoff due to his absence on March 9, 2020. Motion passed.

Moved to approve the monthly bills was by Councilmember Shapkoff and seconded by Councilmember Hunt. Motion passed.

Moved by Councilmember Ybarra and seconded by Councilmember Guess to approve Pay Requests A. Motion passed.

A. <u>17-18 Street Rehabilitation Project</u>	M.A. Project No. B6-17045	
Meyer & Associates, Inc.	Invoice No. 29448	\$6,702.97
Jeffery K Skidmore, Clerk of Court	Receipt No. 2020-97420	\$ 305.00
	Receipt No. 2020-97977	\$ 105.00
<i>(Work completed for Contract 3)</i>		

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

B. <u>Runway Safety Area Improvements (Runway End Turnabouts)</u>	LDOTD SPN H.013881	
Pan American Engineers	Invoice No. 26904	\$10,355.00
Geotechnical Testing Lab, Inc.	Invoice No. 0220025	\$ 5,385.00

Moved by Councilmember Guess and seconded by Councilmember Shapkoff to approve Pay Requests C. Motion passed.

C. <u>Leesville DWRLF Water Improvements</u>	M.A. Project No. A8-12037	
Vanguard Utility Services, Inc.	Pay Estimate No. 4	\$23,401.61
Diamond Enterprise, Inc.	Pay Estimate No. 8 – Final	\$43,965.15
NCMC, LLC	Pay Estimate No. 12	\$45,973.60
Meyer & Associates, Inc.	Invoice No. 29594	\$ 3,640.98
	Invoice No. 29595	\$ 4,087.19

City Engineer Update - Mark McCarty absent. See status report.

Council discussed item #10 regarding opening date and cost to maintain the leisure pool amid the coronavirus pandemic. Council agreed to authorize signing of the agreement as long as modifications are made regarding terms of operations due to this crisis.

Moved by Councilmember Shapkoff and seconded by Councilmember Ybarra to approve Resolution 13 of 2020.
Motion passed with no public comments.

Resolution 13 of 2020 – A resolution for the Council to approve the bid award for the operation of the Leesville Leisure Pool and Concession and authorize the Mayor to sign and execute documents in connection therewith.

Moved by Councilmember Robertson and seconded by Councilmember Guess to approve Resolution 14 of 2020.
Motion passed with no public comments.

Resolution 14 of 2020 – A resolution for the Council to approve the Louisiana Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Plan of 2020 and adhere to and execute all directives outline therein.

Moved by Councilmember Robertson and seconded by Councilmember Shapkoff to approve Resolution 15 of 2020.
Motion passed with no public comments.

Resolution 15 of 2020 – A resolution to appoint Martha Crenshaw of Gold, Weems, Bruser, Sues, & Rundel, APLC as Special Legal Counsel to represent the City of Leesville and Leesville City Police Department in responding to certain charges of discrimination filed by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

City Administrator – Patti Larney had no current updates but wanted to thank all the city employee for their courage and dedication to our city.

City Attorney – absent.

Council Member Comments – Collectively, the council thanked city employees and volunteers for their hard work in providing assistance in the community, provided updates to perspective projects and continued to encourage social distancing.

No pertinent comments related to City business were made.

Mayor – Thanked the Council for their work in the community.

Moved to adjourn the regular meeting was by Councilmember Shapkoff seconded by Councilmember Hunt at 3:33 pm. Motion passed.

/s/ Sonny Harrell, City Clerk

/s/ Rick Allen, Mayor