



MINUTES OF REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING

July 10, 2023

Council Approved on August 14, 2023

1. **CALL TO ORDER**-Mayor Grisham called the meeting to order at 5:30pm
2. **ROLL CALL**-Members present for roll call were as follows; to wit: Mayor Grisham, Councilwoman Gonzales, Councilwoman Brown, Councilwoman Klepac and Councilwoman Amick. Council members not present for roll call were as follows; to wit; Councilwoman Spears
3. **INVOCATION**- Councilwoman Gonzales gave the invocation
4. **PUBLIC COMMENT** *(Limited to Three minutes per person)*- Kobi Keen spoke on behalf of Officer Daily, he stated that the Chief should be a man and hand of God, Daily is both. He has helped Mr. Keen spiritually. Joveda Nelson spoke regarding her water bill, she stated with the electric you can save by monitoring how much you use, with the water she can't do that. She uses less than 200 gallons a month and the City still charges her for 3000 gallons. Mayor Grisham responded by asking her to go speak with Upper Leon and ask them to reduce the Cities bill that way we could go down on everyone's bill.
5. **Mayor Report:** Mayor Grisham thanked everyone who has donated to help the animal shelter, things are going well and the dogs will soon be cooled off.
6. **Public Works Report:** Public works Director Dean Thompson stated they have been working on the same issues with water and sewer lines. He then talked to Mrs. Nelson regarding her water, TCEQ said that her water was fine and to use cold water and run the water through the pipes. Lastly, he stated that the water bills help maintain the water lines, if we went down on water prices we wouldn't be able to maintain them properly. Councilwoman Gonzales asked if he had any updates on the completion of Hwy 6, Dean stated he wasn't sure they still have the entrances and lights to get done before paving.
7. **Police Chief Report:** Officer Cotton went over report
8. **Emergency Management Report:** N/A
9. **Parks Committee Report:** N/A
10. **DD Report:** Jerry Leonard spoke on behalf of DD, he briefed council on the DD upcoming events, attached to minutes.
11. **Chamber of Commerce:** N/A.
12. **Library Report:** N/A.
13. **Municipal Court Report:** Council was given a handout from the Judge.
14. **City Secretaries' Report:** City Secretary Harbour stated that the CCR (consumer confidence report) link went out on the bills and was also posted on the website, this is a requirement from TCEQ. New meter software Neptune 360 is starting to be setup, this will allow Laura to read meters, do data logs, etc. from her desk, estimated time is around December 2023.
15. **City Administrator Report:** City Administrator Denman went over the Financials. Councilwoman Klepac asked questions regarding the holidays, was there two in the month of June, Secretary Harbour stated yes, they were Juneteenth and Memorial Day. Mr. Denman stated the Sr. Citizens building had a freon leak, that cost was \$1555.00. He also showed pictures of the progress of the animal shelter and one of Mayor Grisham and her grandson cutting a tree down at the shelter.
16. **CONSENT (AUTOMATIC APPROVAL) AGENDA:** *(All consent agenda items are considered routine by City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Councilmember requests an item be removed and considered separately.)*

- Minutes: June 12, 2023 – Councilwoman Klepac made a motion to approve June 12, 2023 minutes. Councilwoman Amick seconds that motion. All members were in favor. Motion carried.

17. **REGULAR AGENDA:** *(Discuss and consider the following items)*

- A. **Agenda Request- Toney Prather with DIDC – sell of City owned land**
– Councilwoman Gonzales made a motion to accept contract to transfer land for DIDC to sell. Councilwoman Brown seconds that motion. All members present were in favor. Motion carried

- B. **Michelle Beck- Employee Health Insurance** – Michelle Beck explained that all insurance has gone up a lot. She explained different options to the Council. No action was taken on this item.
- C. **Resolution #016-23, Creating Bank Account for Opioid Funds** – Councilwoman Gonzales made a motion to Resolution #016-23. Councilwoman Brown seconds that motion. All members present were in favor. Motion carried.
- D. **EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Council may enter into Executive Session under Govt Code Sections 551.074 (Personnel Matters), Hiring for Chief of Police Position** – Start Time: 6:37 pm End Time: 7:20 pm
- E. **EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Council may enter into Executive Session under Govt Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), Sheriff Law enforcement Contract** – Start Time: 7:21 pm End Time: 9:11 pm
- F. **Results from both executive sessions – No Action Taken**
- **ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST: -**
 - Expression of thanks, congratulations or condolences-
 - Information regarding holiday closings
 - Honorary recognition of City officials, employees, or other citizens
 - Reminders about upcoming events sponsored by the City or other entity that is scheduled to be attended by a City official or City employee.

18. **ADJOURN:** Mayor Grisham adjourned the meeting at 9:13pm

CERTIFICATION

I, Melenda K. Harbour, City Secretary for the City of De Leon, Texas, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is true and correct of the regular meeting by the City Council of the City of De Leon and of the minutes pertaining thereto on the 10th of July, 2023

Melenda K. Harbour,
City Secretary

Minutes **PASSED AND APPROVED** by the City Council of the City of De Leon on the 14th day of August, 2023.


Jan Grisham, Mayor

ATTEST:


Melenda K. Harbour, City Secretary

