

## MINUTES OF A CALLED PUBLIC MEETING September 19th, 2017

## City Council Approved on September 26th, 2017

CALL TO ORDER - Mayor Scott called the meeting to order at 5:41 pm.

ROLL CALL - Council members present for roll call were as follows; to wit: Terry Scott, Sarah Childers, Jon Awbrey, Bob Whitney, and Jaye Golden. Council members present for roll call via video conferencing were as follows; to wit: James Beck. All Council Members were present for roll call.

INVOCATION - Mayor Scott gave the invocation.

PUBLIC COMMENT - No public comments were made.

CONSENT (AUTOMATIC APPROVAL) AGENDA:

Approval of Minutes – September 12, 2017 – Councilman Awbrey made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilwoman Golden seconds that motion. All were in favor; motion carried unanimously.

CALLED AGENDA: (Discuss and take action separately on the following items)

Public Hearing for 2017-2018 Proposed Budget -

Mayor Scott opened the public hearing at 5:44 pm.

No citizen input was given.

Mayor Scott closed the public hearing at 5:45 pm.

2015-2016-Audit Burl Lowery, CPA – Burl addressed the Council, and handed out a bound copy of the audit. The audit for 15-16 was very good, and council was pleased. Councilman Whitney made a motion to approve and accept the audit. Councilwoman Childers seconds that motion. Mayor Scott, Councilman Awbrey, and Councilwoman Golden were in favor. Councilman Beck abstained, mentioning he had not seen the audit. Motion passed.

Ordinance 010-17, 2018-Budget – Mayor Scott made the second reading of Ordinance #010-17. Councilman Whitney made a motion to approve the second reading. Councilman Beck seconds that motion. All were in favor; motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance 011-17, 2017-2018 Tax Levy – Mayor Scott made the second reading of Ordinance 011-17. Councilman Awbrey made a motion to approve the second reading. Councilwoman Golden seconds that motion. All were in favor; motion carried unanimously.

Employee Health Insurance, Michelle Beck with Fraser Agency – Michelle addressed the City Council regarding a recent price change that Blue Cross Blue Shield had made to the PPO plan, which the City was signed up for. It had gone up \$176.79 per employee, per month. Michelle Beck recommended the City changing over to the Blue Cross Blue Shield HMO plan, which was \$457.06 monthly per employee. Council asked the various employees that were present how they felt about the proposed change, and the employees didn't seem to be against it. Michelle also recommended keeping the PPO option available to employees, if they wanted to pay the difference between the HMO and the PPO of \$240. Councilman Whitney made a motion to change the City's insurance program from an PPO to a HMO, and keep the PPO available to employees if they want to pay the difference. Councilwoman Golden seconds that motion. Mayor Scott, Councilwoman Childers, and Councilman Awbrey were in favor. Councilman Beck was opposed. Motion passed.

Cemetery Asso.-Paving Cemetery Streets – Bobby Schuman was present on behalf of the Cemetery Association, and said that the Cemetery had a trust fund in the bank with roughly \$17,000 in it, that the City was in control of. He asked the City Council to put that money in the Special Projects Committee bank account, saying it was not being used, but could be used to pave the streets in the Cemetery. Councilman Awbrey made a motion to move the \$17,000 out of the trust fund, and into the special project committee's bank account. Councilman Whitney seconds that motion. More discussion broke out, and motion died. Councilman Awbrey made a new motion to move the \$17,000 out of the trust fund, and into the Special Project Committee's bank account. Councilman Whitney seconds that motion. All were in favor; motion passed.

Parks Committee-Discuss Depot – Councilman Awbrey spoke on behalf of the Parks Committee, saying they would like permission from the City to start cleanup on the yellow depot. Wash some bricks, and do

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some painting. Councilwoman Golden made a motion to give the Parks Committee permission. Councilman Whitney seconds that motion. All were in favor; motion passed.

7. ADJOURN – At 7:08 pm, Councilwoman Golden made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Whitney seconds that motion. All were in favor; motion carried unanimously.

## **CERTIFICATION**

I, Sarah Cogburn, Assistant City Secretary for the City of De Leon, Texas, do hereby certify in a good faith effort, that the above and foregoing is true and correct of the Called Meeting by the City Council of the City of De Leon and of the minutes pertaining thereto on the

19th day of September, 2017.

Sarah Cogburn, Assistant City Secretary

Minutes PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of De Leon on the

Do day of Septen 2017

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Melenda K. Harbour City Secretary