

**MINUTES  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2024  
7:00 P.M., CELESTE CITY HALL**

Council present: C. White, K. Phillips, J. Brooks, T. LaFavers, 7:00 PM. Absent: J. Minter. Others present: Mayor S. Cole, Tommy Bonneville, Stephen Jubenville, Juan F. Fernandez, Chris Morton, Chalsee Brannam, David Brannam.

- 1. Mayor Cole called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. A Quorum was established.**
- 2. Open Forum- Citizens to be heard. (Limit 3 minutes per citizen).**
- 3. City Council Comments-C. White on proposals for mowing contract.**
- 4. Consent Agenda.**

- A. C. White made a motion to approve Regular Meeting Minutes from Tuesday, January 9, 2024, K. Phillips 2<sup>nd</sup>, all for.
- B. Department Reports.
  - i. Police Department report Chief Joe Pell.
  - ii. Water/Sewer report Robert Collingsworth.
  - iii. Fire Department report Tommy Bonneville.
  - iv. Building Permit report.
- C. J. Brooks made a motion to approve the city financials, C. White 2<sup>nd</sup>, all for.

**5. New Business.**

- A. Discussion: No action.
- B. Discussion and Action: C. White made a motion to table pending plat with variances, T. LaFavers 2<sup>nd</sup>, all for.
- C. Discussion and Action: T. LaFavers made a motion to list auction through Rene' Bates Auctioneers, J. Brooks 2<sup>nd</sup>, all for.
- D. Discussion and Action: C. White made a motion to set the date for the Public Hearing on Tuesday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM, J. Brooks 2<sup>nd</sup>, all for.
- E. Discussion and Action: C. White made a motion to order general election on May 4, 2024, K. Phillips 2<sup>nd</sup>, all for.

**6. Old Business.**

- A. Discussion and Acton: T. LaFavers made a motion to grant conditional approval with the addition of the easement, K. Phillips 2<sup>nd</sup>, all for.
- B. Discussion and Action: C. White made a motion to approve with the metes and bounds note, K. Phillips 2<sup>nd</sup>, all for.

**7. Executive Session 7:37 P.M.**

Executive Session – In compliance with the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Sec. 551.071. CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY; CLOSED MEETING. A governmental body may not conduct a private consultation with its attorney except when the governmental body seeks the advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation; or a settlement offer; or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with this chapter.

Sec. 551.072. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY; CLOSED MEETING. A governmental body may conduct a closed meeting to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person.

Section 551.074 authorizes certain deliberations about officers and employees of the governmental body to be held in executive session: to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee.

Return to Opens Session 8:21 P.M.:

- A. Discussion and Action: C. White made a motion to make the part-time Public Works position full-time 40 hours per week at \$17.00 per hour, J. Brooks 2<sup>nd</sup>, all for.
- B. Discussion and Action: C. White made a motion to grant conditional approval of the concept plan pending comments from the Engineers, K. Phillips 2<sup>nd</sup>, all for.

**8. C. White made a motion to adjourn 8:26 P.M., J. Brooks 2<sup>nd</sup>, all for.**

  
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Cherie Hubbard, City Secretary

  
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Shaunna Cole, Mayor