

**MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 7, 2022
7:00 P.M., CELESTE CITY HALL**

REGULAR MEETING

Council present: Jordan Brooks, Shaunna Cole, Jason Minter, Chris White & Felicia White. Others present Jennifer Tenney, Tommy Bonneville, Mike Wemhoener, Robert Collinsworth & Chalsee Brannam.

1. Shaunna called the meeting to order at 7:03 P.M. A Quorum was Established.

2. Open Forum- Citizens to be heard. (Limit 3 minutes per citizen).

3. City Council Comments.

Shaunna addressed Zoom meetings, talking outside of the agenda. When Zoom meetings are held, need to stay with the agenda so that the participant can follow the meeting. Jason discussed the stray cat issue within town and if there is a program or assistance to help control the current population. Shaunna discussed having workshop on June 21st to review ARP Project. Shaunna discussed estimates on removal of debris from TNMP, need to wait until TNMP is finished and have new estimate submitted. Shaunna discussed estimate to redo the road around the school from County. Need to start summer project while school is out. Shaunna asked Chief Pell about what was needed for the legalization of side by sides or golf cart use within the City Limits of Celeste. Shaunna added that she will include the Generator Project in the Workshop to be held on June 21st. Generator project must be started by July 1st, 2022.

4. Consent Agenda.

- A. Minter moved to approve Meeting Minutes May 3, 2022, F. White 2nd all for. Corrections are needed for Special Meeting Minutes May 12, 2022. To be approved during July 5th, 2022, meeting.
 - i. Police Department Joe talked about reserve and volunteer hours. Spoke about security checks, doing away with the security check sheet. Addressed Tahoe with the exempt plate, would like to leave this vehicle unmarked. Spoke about bid for firework signs, would like to get this out before 4th of July. Will be issuing tickets to those who violate the ordinance of fireworks within the city limits. Spoke about tall grass ordinance, would like the city attorney to review.
 - ii. Water Department
 - iii. Fire Department Tommy reported under 50 calls the month of May, first month under 50. New brush truck they did most of the building on themselves for \$69,000 which cut cost in ½. Working on 5-year plan, oldest truck in the fleet will be a 2011. They are running out of station space. Looking into a building or lot for their station, meeting room, bunk house. Using the current station for fleet only. Working to continue to fix the reputation of the Volunteer Fire Department and work on a 24-hour volunteer station for future goal.
 - iv. Building Permit Report (if applicable).
- B. C. White made motion to approve City Financials, Jordan 2nd all for.

5. New Business.

- A. No action taken, Shaunna to email city attorney Leigh Thompson on Tax Abatement questions, CC Mrs. Tenney.
- B. C. White made a motion to hold a Public Hearing tentative for July 5th to change (2) residential lots to commercial, Brooks 2nd all for.
- C. Bigby no show, can request to be on the Agenda for the July 5th meeting.
- D. Brooks made a motion to accept the contract from Nexbillpay, C. White 2nd all for.
- E. Brooks made motion to table and add to special workshop, Minter 2nd all for.
- F. Brooks made motion to table and add to special workshop, Minter 2nd all for.
- G. Brooks made motion to sponsor \$500.00 for the 2nd Annual Back Our Teachers fundraiser, C. White 2nd all for.
- H. F. White made a motion to submit the revised Wolfe City Ordinance to the city attorney Leigh Thompson, Minter 2nd all for.

6. 8:36 PM F. White move to adjourn Brooks 2nd all for.

Cherie Hubbard
Cherie Hubbard, Interim City Secretary

Shaunna Cole
Shaunna Cole, Mayor