

MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, June 11, 2024
7:00 P.M., CELESTE CITY HALL

1. Call To Order and Roll Call

Mayor Cole called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. A Quorum was established.

Council present: C. White, K. Phillips, T. LaFavers and Sharon Rector, J. Brooks at 7:04 PM.
Others present: Mayor S. Cole, Tommy Bonneville, Tommy Bonneville and Tevin Johnson.

- 2. Open Forum- Citizens to be heard. (Limit 3 minutes per citizen).** Tevin Johnson spoke regarding the revisions submitted to the city on the PSA for Stephen Dean Homes. He is asking for approval on the concept plan, they are not agreeing to pay the \$25,000.00 up front. He wants to be billed for their portion on each invoice as it is received. He reminded the council of the benefits this project would bring to the city.

- 3. City Council Comments-** no comments

4. Consent Agenda.

- A. C. White made a motion to approve Regular Meeting Minutes from Tuesday, May 7, 2024, K. Phillips 2nd, all for.
- B. Department Reports.
 - i. Police Department report Chief Joe Pell.
 - ii. Water/Sewer report Robert Collinsworth.
 - iii. Fire Department report-Tommy Bonneville.
 - iv. Building Permit report.
- C. C. White made a motion to approve the city financials, J. Brooks 2nd, all for.

5. New Business.

- A. Discussion and Action: T. LaFavers made a motion to have Mike Ward Accounting & Financial Consulting, PLLC. perform the audits for FY 2022 and 2023, J. Brooks 2nd, all for.
- B. Discussion and Action: J Brooks made a motion to adopt Ordinance 06112024 no parking on Marsalis Street, C. White 2nd, all for.
- C. Discussion and Action: C. White made a motion to approve the ¼ page ad for the City of Celeste in the CISD High School yearbook, J. Brooks 2nd, all for.
- D. Discussion and Action: C. White made a motion to purchase the 2013 Chevrolet 4x4 truck from Hickory Creek in the amount of \$5,000.00 for the public works department, J. Brooks 2nd, all for.

6. Old Business.

- A. Table
- B. Table

7. Executive Session 7:49 P.M.

Executive Session – In compliance with the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Sec. 551.087. DELIBERATION REGARDING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEGOTIATIONS; CLOSED MEETING. This chapter does not require a governmental body to conduct an open meeting:

(1) to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations; or

(2) to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect described by Subdivision (1).

The items listed below will be discussed in closed session and are subject to action in the regular session:

-Stephen Dean Homes Celeste Village project.

Return to Opens Session 8:38 P.M.:

A. Discussion: No action, J. Brooks made a motion to negotiate the PSA and Concept Plan with Stephen Dean Homes, T. LaFavers 2nd, all for.

Adjournment

Executive Sessions Authorized: This agenda has been reviewed and approved by the City's legal counsel and the presence of any subject in any Executive Session portion of the agenda constitutes a written interpretation of TEX. GOV'T CODE CHAPTER 551 by legal counsel for the governmental body and constitutes an opinion by the attorney that the items discussed therein may be legally discussed in the closed portion of the meeting considering available opinions of a court of record and opinions of the Texas Attorney General known to the attorney. This provision has been added to this agenda with the intent to meet all elements necessary to satisfy TEX. GOV'T CODE 551.144(c) and the meeting is conducted by all participants in reliance on this opinion. The Council may vote and/or act upon each of the items set out in this agenda. In addition, the city Council for the City of Celeste has the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any matter authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney); 551.072 (Deliberations related to Real Property); 551.073 (Deliberations related to prospective gifts or donations); Section 551.074 (Personnel Matter); 551.076 (Deliberations regarding the deployment of security devices or the implementation of security policy); and 551.087 (Deliberations regarding Economic Development negotiations).

8. C. White made a motion to adjourn 8:40 P.M., J. Brooks 2nd, all for.


Cherie Hubbard, City Secretary


Shaunna Cole, Mayor