

MINUTES
PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX RATE, GENERAL FUND BUDGET AND WATER SEWER BUDGET
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2024
6:30 P.M., CELESTE CITY HALL

1. Call To Order and Roll Call

Mayor Cole called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. A Quorum was established.

Council present: C. White, T. LaFavers, Sharon Rector, and J. Brooks. Others present: Mayor S. Cole, Jason Minter.

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

Council present: C. White, T. LaFavers, Sharon Rector, and J. Brooks. Others present: Mayor S. Cole, Jason Minter.

2. Open Forum- Citizens to be heard. (Limit 3 minutes per citizen). None

3. Executive Session 7:01 P.M.

Executive Session – In compliance with the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government 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 Open Session 7:07 P.M.:

- A. Discussion and Action: C. White made a motion to appoint Jason Minter into the open City Council seat until the election in May 2025, J. Brooks 2nd, all for.

4. City Council Comments- Homecoming bonfire will be held on October 2nd at 7:30PM-8:30PM. Burn pile to be closed after the bonfire is held.

5. Consent Agenda.

A. C. White made a motion to approve the Budget Workshop and Regular Meeting Minutes from Tuesday, August 13, 2024, J. Brooks 2nd, all for.

B. Department Reports.

i. Police Department report by Mayor Cole regarding reserve hours.

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.

6. New Business.

A. Discussion and Action: Table until November.

B. Discussion and Action: C. White made a motion to adopt Resolution 09262024, J. Brooks 2nd, all for.

C. Discussion: Regarding Troy Horst comments on making repairs to sewer plant to better control the flow.

D. Discussion and Action: Table until attorney can review.

E. Discussion and Acton: C. White made a motion to adopt Tax Rate Ordinance 09262024-1.

F. Discussion and Action: T. LaFavers made a motion to adopt General Fund Budget 09262024-2, J. Brooks 2nd, all for.

G. Discussion and Action: C. White made a motion to adopt Water/Sewer Budget 09262024-3, J. Brooks 2nd, all for.

H. Discussion and Action: C. White made a motion to adopt House Numbering Ordinance 09262024-4, J. Minter 2nd, all for.

I. Discussion and Action: C. White made a motion to adopt One-way Street Ordinance during school hours for 7am-4pm, Ordinance 09262024-5, J. Brooks 2nd, all for.

J. Discussion and Action: Tabled

K. Discussion and Action: Tabled

L. Discussion and Action: T. LaFavers made a motion to have Trunk-or-Treat on the square Thursday, October 31, 2024 from 5PM-7PM, J. Brooks 2nd, all for.

M. Discussion and Action: J. Brooks made a motion to hold the Celeste Christmas parade on Saturday, December 14th at 7PM starting at the football field and ending at the high school with City Secretary in charge of the festivities. S. Rector 2nd, all for.

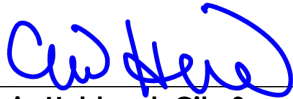
7. Old Business.

A. Action: C. White made a motion to approve the lease agreement with Rise Broadband, J. Brooks 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 8:02 P.M., J. Brooks 2nd, all for.**



Cherie Hubbard, City Secretary



Shaunna Cole, Mayor