



THE STATE OF TEXAS §  
COUNTY OF FANNIN §

July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021

**BE IT REMEMBERED THAT A Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Leonard, Fannin County, Texas was begun and held in the Council Chambers of City Hall on July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 6:30 P.M.**

**Members Present:** Mayor Michael Pye, Council members Garry Doyle, Noel Nixon, Jay Barker, Debra Wilcox and Billy Wayne Martin.

**Staff Present:** City Administrator Terry McCalpin, Police Chief Meserole. Public Works Director Woody Patrick.

**Guests Present:** Teresa Nixon, Donna Rushing, Tommy Moore, Gaye Doyle, Bo Damesworth, Cathy Songer, Al Stephen, Billie Underwood, Donna Martin, Karen Murphy, Don Murphy, Margy Hall, Alisha Pye, Chantelle Hejke, Doug Morfeld, Debbie Morfeld, Michael Kidd, Elizabeth Kidd, Betsy Blevins.

#### **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION**

- 1. Invocation, Pledges of Allegiance to the United States and Texas Flags, Call to Order, Proof of posting of Notice of Meeting, Verification of Quorum**

- 2. Presentation/Discussion with Government Capital for possibly funding upcoming projects.**  
Presentation was given to Mayor and Council from Government Capital.

Councilwoman Wilcox motioned to move Agenda items 3, 4 and 5 to the end of the Agenda. Second by Councilman Barker. Mayor Pye called for a vote—All were in favor, the motion carried.

- 3. Executive Session – In accordance with Texas Government Code, Section 551.001 et seq., the City Council will recess into Executive Session (closed meeting) to discuss the following:**

*Section 551.071(1), (2) — Consultation with attorney regarding an update on the dilapidated structure located at 409 Grayson Street, Leonard, Texas and potential litigation regarding the same.*

*Section 551.074) — Deliberation regarding appointment, evaluation, reassignment of duties, discipline or dismissal of public officer or employee: City Attorney.*

- 4. Reconvene into open session.**

**5. Discussion and possible action on matters discussed in executive session:**

**Section 551.071(1), (2) — Consultation with attorney regarding an update on the dilapidated structure located at 409 Grayson Street, Leonard, Texas and potential litigation regarding the same.**

**Section 551.074) — Deliberation regarding appointment, evaluation, reassignment of duties, discipline or dismissal of public officer or employee: City Attorney.**

**6. Citizens Comments:**

Mr, Tommy Moore spoke. Mrs. Alysha Pye spoke.

Councilwoman Wilcox motioned to move consent items to action items for discussion. Second by Councilman Nixon. Mayor Pye called for a vote—All were in favor, the motion carried.

**Ordinance / Resolution / Other Action Items:**

**7. Consent Items:**

**Reports from Department Heads**

Public Works Director Woody Patrick gave his report to Mayor and Council  
Councilman Martin gave a report regarding the Fire Department  
Chief Meserole gave his Police department report.

**Financials**

Councilman Barker motioned to approve the financials. Second by Councilwoman Wilcox. Mayor Pye called for a vote— 2 FOR (Barker and Wilcox) 3 AGAINST (Martin, Nixon, Doyle). The motion failed.

**8. Discussion and possible action on Approval of May 2021 Minutes**

Councilman Barker motioned to approve the May 2021 Minutes. Second by Councilwoman Wilcox. Mayor Pye called for a vote— All were in favor and the motion carried.

**9. Discussion and possible action on Approval of June 2021 Minutes**

Councilwoman Wilcox motioned to approve the June. Second by Councilman Barker. Mayor Pye called for a vote— 4 FOR (Martin, Wilcox, Barker, Nixon) 1 AGAINST (Doyle)

**10. Discussion and possible action on assigning bank signatories and ACH approval.**

Councilwoman Wilcox motioned per City Ordinance that the only agents able to approve ACH as well as be designated as Bank Signatories will be The Mayor Michael Pye, Mayor Pro-Tem Noel Nixon and City Administrator, all other signatories will be removed. Second by Councilman Nixon. Mayor Pye called for a vote— All were in favor and the motion carried.

**11. Discussion and possible action on proposed agenda item from Mrs. Gaye Doyle: Minutes Posting of the Meeting.**

Mrs. Gaye Doyle spoke in regards to the city administration and concerns with the minutes that are taken at Council meetings.

**12. Discussion and possible action on Kimley-Horn and Wastewater Treatment Plant Headworks Improvements.**

Kimley-Horn made a presentation to Mayor and Council regarding improvement to the Wastewater Treatment Plant Headworks.

**13. Discussion and possible action on Kimley-Horn and On Call Civil Engineering Services.**

Councilman Barker motioned to approve on call civil engineering services with Kimley-Horn.

Second by Councilman Nixon. Mayor Pye called for a vote— 4 FOR (Martin, Wilcox, Barker, Nixon) 1 AGAINST (Doyle)

**14. Discussion and possible action on TWDB SRF Funding Consultant Selection, Authorize City Administrator to issue RFQs for consultant services related to the TWDB CWSRF and DWSRF Funding applications. The City is required to procure an engineering consultant, financial advisor, and bond counsel.**

Councilman Nixon motioned to Authorize City Administrator to is RFQs for consultant services related to the TWDB CWSRF and DWSRF Funding applications. The City is required to procure an engineering consultant, financial advisor, and bond counsel. Second by Councilman Doyle. Mayor Pye called for a vote— All were in favor and the motion carried.

**15. Discussion and possible action on Fannin County Mitigation Planning Team Memorandum of Understanding.**

**-Agenda item 15 and 16 should have been just one item-**

Councilman Nixon motioned to approve Fannin County Mitigation Planning Team Memorandum of Understanding Second by Councilman Martin. Mayor Pye called for a vote— All were in favor and the motion carried.

**16. Consider/discuss authorization to issue requests for proposals (RFP) for administrative services and requests for qualifications (RFQs) for engineering services related to the Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) grant programs.**

When Item number 15 was approved, it also approved item 16.

**17. Consider/discuss authorization to issue requests for proposals (RFP) for administrative services and requests for qualifications (RFQs) for professional services for the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.**

Councilman Barker motioned to approve authorization to issue requests for proposals (RFP) for administrative services and requests for qualifications (RFQs) for professional services for the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. Second by Councilman Nixon. Mayor Pye called for a vote— All were in favor and the motion carried.

**18. Discussion and possible action on Agreement between the North Texas Municipal Water District and the City of Leonard, Texas, concerning financial assistance for public safety and emergency management associated with the Leonard Water Treatment Plant.**

Councilman Barker motioned to table this agenda item. Second by Councilman Martin. Mayor Pye called for a vote— All were in favor and the motion carried.

**Announcements and Adjournment:**

**19. Announcements**

No announcements.

**20. Adjournment** – Meeting was adjourned at 10:20

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**THE CITY OF LEONARD, TEXAS**

**By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Michael Pye, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

**By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Leath Robinson, City Secretary**