



THE STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF FANNIN §

December 14, 2021

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT the City Council of the City of Leonard, Fannin County, Texas held in the Council Chambers of City Hall on December 14, 2021, a Regular Meeting at 6:30 P.M.

Members Present: Mayor Michael Pye, Mayor Pro Tem Noel Nixon, Council members Garry Doyle, Billy Wayne Martin, Debra Wilcox, and Al Stephens.

Staff present: City Administrator George Evanko, Melissa Verde, Kim Davis, Police Chief Brian Meserole

Guests Present: Donna Martin, Bob Clemons, David Perkins, Janie I. Ware, Barry Dill, Brad Kaluzniah, Margy Hall, Chad Leutwyler, Newt Cunningham

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL SESSION

1. Invocation, Pledges of Allegiance to the United States and Texas Flags, Call to Order, Verification of Quorum

Mayor Pye called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

2. Discussion and possible action on: approval of November 9, 2021, Minutes.

Councilmember Doyle motioned to approve November 9, 2021, Minutes. Second by Councilmember Wilcox. Mayor Pye called for a vote – all were in favor and the motion carried.

3. Department Reports

4. Final Report

5. Presentation by Leonard Community Development Corporation

6. Citizens Forum:

Comments are limited to three (3) minutes. Council is not required to comment or deliberate regarding such statements or comments during this period. Sec. 551.007 of Open Meeting Act 2020.

Bob Clemon thanked Council for the JP2 office remodel, said he is running for reelection as Justice of the Peace Precinct 2 Judge and encouraged people to vote.

Chad Leutwyler thanked Council for the street repair by First Baptist Leonard Church and stated concerns about some rental property conditions/standards in the city.

City Council took a 15-minute break at 7:32 P.M. and reconvened at 7:38 P.M.

Unfinished Business

7. Discussion and possible action on: Improving Police Department Benefit Plan.

Councilmember Wilcox motioned to table pending TMRS information to be received. Second by Councilmember Martin. Mayor Pye called for a vote – all were in favor and the motion carried.

8. Discussion and possible action on: Ordinance 11092021 creating Utility/Development Committee.

Councilmember Wilcox motioned to not create Utility/Development Committee. Second by Councilmember Stephens. Mayor Pye called for a vote – all were in favor and the motion carried.

New Business

9. Discussion and possible action on: Resolution 12142021-1R Regarding Opioid Settlement Funds

Councilmember Stephens motioned to approve Resolution 12142021-1R Regarding Opioid Settlement Funds. Second by Councilmember Wilcox. Mayor Pye called for a vote – all were in favor and the motion carried.

10. Discussion and possible action on: Resolution 12142021-2R Bureau Veritas Agreement- Fire Amendment

Mayor Pro Tem Nixon motioned to approve Resolution 12142021-2R Bureau Veritas Agreement – Fire Amendment. Second by Councilmember Doyle. Mayor Pye called for a vote – all were in favor and the motion carried.

11. Discussion and possible action: Ordinance 12142021-1O Increasing Water and Sewer Tap Fees

Councilmember Stephens motioned to approve Ordinance 12142021-1O Increasing Water and Sewer Tap Fees. Second by Mayor Pro Tem Nixon. Mayor Pye called for a vote – all were in favor and the motion carried.

12. Discussion and possible action on: Purchase Request- Asphalt Zipper

Mayor Pro Tem Nixon motioned to purchase Asphalt Zipper, and to fund through LOGIC if able. Second by Councilmember Wilcox. Mayor Pye called for a vote – all were in favor and the motion carried.

13. Discussion and possible on action: Ordinance 12142021-2O- Food Truck Ordinance

Councilmember Wilcox motioned to adopt Ordinance 12142021-2O Food Truck Ordinance. Second by Mayor Pro Tem Nixon. Mayor Pye called for a vote – all were in favor and the motion carried.

14. Discussion and possible action on: Resolution 12142021-3R Updating LOGIC Authorized Representatives

Councilmember Stephens motioned to add Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem, and City Administrator for Resolution 12142021-3R as LOGIC Authorized Representatives. Second by Councilmember Doyle. Mayor Pye called for a vote – all were in favor and the motion carried.

15. Discussion and possible action on: Signature cards for LOGIC and bank.

Councilmember Stephens motioned for Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem, and City Administrator to be on signature cards for LOGIC and bank. Second by Councilmember Doyle. Mayor Pye called for a vote – all were in favor and the motion carried.

16. Discussion and possible action on: Surety Bond for City Administrator and City Secretary.

Mayor Pro Tem Nixon motioned to approve Surety Bond for City Administrator and City Secretary as presented. Second by Councilmember Martin. Mayor Pye called for a vote – all were in favor and the motion carried.

17. Executive Session – under Texas Government Code Section 551.074 Personnel matters, deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee.

- a. 2% Holdover Program
- b. Employee Benefits Adjustment
- c. City Secretary
- d. Court Clerk
- e. Utility Clerk

Councilmember Martin motioned to go to executive session. Second by Councilmember Wilcox. Mayor Pye called for a vote – all were in favor and the motion carried at 8:33 P.M.

18. Reconvene into open session.

Open session reconvened at 9:13 P.M.

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

- a. 2% Holdover Program
- b. Employee Benefits Reimbursement
- c. City Secretary
- d. Court Clerk
- e. Utility Clerk

Councilmember Wilcox motioned on item a. 2% Holdover Program is no longer used, item b. make adjustments as discussed, items c. and d. present offers, and item e. no action is taken. Second by Mayor Pro Tem Nixon. Mayor Pye called for a vote – all were in favor and the motion carried.

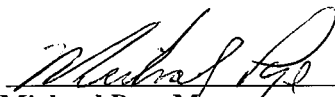
20. Announcements

Mayor Pye thanked Council and team in office for their great job in turning things around, stated his birthday is in two days, and that he is enjoying being Mayor and will be running for re-election.

21. Adjournment

Councilmember Martin motioned to adjourn. Second by Mayor Pro Tem Nixon. Mayor Pye called for a vote – all were in favor and the motion carried at 9:18 P.M.

CITY OF LEONARD, TEXAS


Michael Pye, Mayor

ATTEST:


Kim Davis, City Clerk