



THE STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF FANNIN §

September 11th, 2018

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 September 11th, 2018 at 5:30 pm.

Members Present: Mayor Steven Bolin, Mayor Pro-Tem David Norman, Councilmembers Jay Barker (Place 2), Bob Pannkuk (Place 3), Darrell Grintz (Place 4) and David McBroom (Place 5)

Staff Present: City Administrator William Linn, Police Chief Brian Meserole, Public Works Director Terry McCalpin, City Secretary Leath Robinson, and Assistant Public Works Director Brandon Chappell

Guests Present: There were 12 guests present: Jeannie Johnson, Bettye Barker, Jennifer Smith, Tiffany Pitts, Kelli Blackerby, James Watson, Jackie Isham, Betsy Blevins, Allison Blevins, Tyler McCarley, Leonard Phillips

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION

Calling Meeting to Order / Presentations / Proclamation:

- 1. Call to Order, Proof of Posting of Notice of Meeting and Verification of Quorum** - Mayor Bolin called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm with a quorum of five councilmembers.
- 2. A moment of silence in observance of the 17th anniversary of 9/11** Mayor Bolin led in a moment of silence in observance of the 17th anniversary of 9/11
- 3. Invocation** The invocation was led by Councilman David Norman
- 4. Pledges of Allegiance to the United State and Texas Flags** Mayor Bolin led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas Flags.
- 5. Mayor's issuance of Proclamation of September 11th a Day of Service and Remembrance in The City of Leonard** Mayor Bolin proclaimed September 11th 2018 a day of service and remembrance in the city of Leonard.

Citizen Comments / Reports from Staff and Others:

6. Citizens Forum

- Jeannie Johnson spoke and thanked the council for acknowledging that new Christmas decorations were needed and updated the council on the progress of the Christmas decoration purchases.

7. Reports from City Administrator, Department Heads, and Staff

- Police Chief Brian Meserole reported that there had been a string of burglaries in the city, but many of the perpetrators had been apprehended, or were close to being apprehended. He further reported that much of the stolen property had been recovered and was being returned.
- Assistant Public Works Director Brandon Chappell reported that Public Works had an increasing amount of work orders that they've been handling. He said that all six paddle wheels of the aeration are up and running and didn't foresee any trouble from them in the future. Mr. Chappell further reported that quite a bit of potholing had been underway in the city, as well as putting new faces on the stop signs for better visibility.
- City Administrator William Linn introduced the new Municipal Court Clerk Jodi Gonzales and said we are very blessed to have her on our team. He further reported that the 2018 police vehicle loan is 100% complete at this point in time, additionally both letters to TxDOT requesting speed decrease from poplar up to 896, and from Trinity St down south requesting a turning lane, have been received. The requests have been submitted to the district safety team for review and we will be continuing to follow up with them. In addition, the SRO contract had been reviewed by the Mayor and was in the process of being finalized so it could be brought before council.

8. Approval of September 2018 Minutes

Councilman Jay Barker motioned for the approval of September 2018 Minutes, Councilman Bob Pannkuk seconded the motion. Mayor Bolin called for a vote—2 For 3 Against, motion failed.

9. Financials

Councilman Bob Pannkuk motioned to approve the financials, Councilman Jay Barker seconded the motion. Mayor Bolin called for a vote--all were in favor and the motion carried.

Public Hearing / Ordinance / Resolution / Other Action Items:

10. Discussion and possible action on appointing members to the Street Repair Committee from following submitted application(s): Ms. Kelli Blackerby and Ms. Toni Blevins.

Councilman Grintz made a motion to abandon appointing members to the street repair committee due to lack of interest, Councilman Barker seconded the motion. Mayor Bolin called for a vote--all were in favor and the motion carried.

11. Discussion and possible action on accepting a \$4000.00 donation from the Leonard Community Development Corporation to be used for purchasing Christmas lights to be installed around the City of Leonard square and Leonard City Hall.

Councilman Grintz motioned to accept a \$4000.00 donation from the Leonard Community Development Corporation to be used for purchasing Christmas lights to be installed around the City of Leonard square and Leonard City Hall, Councilman Norman seconded the motion. Mayor Bolin called for a vote--all were in favor and the motion carried.

- 12. Discussion and possible action on Ordinance No. 09072018 establishing the “At Large” system by which Councilmembers are elected in the General Elections and repealing all ordinances establishing the “Place” system.**

Councilman Norman made a motion to establish ordinance No. 09072018 establishing the “At Large” system and repealing ordinance 111015, seconded by Councilman Barker. Mayor Bolin called for a vote—4 For, 1 Against, the motion carried.

- 13. Discussion and possible action on Ordinance No. 09102018 Amending sections 18.03 Vacation Leave, 18.04 Sick Leave and 19.01 General Policy on Holidays of the City of Leonard Personnel Policy.**

Councilman Pannkuk made a motion to approve the holidays as the previous approved fiscal year of 2017-2018, seconded by Councilman Norman. Mayor Bolin called for a vote--all were in favor and the motion carried.

Announcements and Adjournment:

- 11. Announcements**

Mr. McCalpin announced that the Bonfire would be the following evening.

- 14. Adjournment**

Councilman Pannkuk motioned to adjourn. Mayor Bolin adjourned the meeting at 6:54 p.m.

THE CITY OF LEONARD, TEXAS

By: _____
Steven Bolin, Mayor

ATTEST:

By: _____
Leath Robinson, City Secretary