

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council
Held at Leonard City Hall, 111 W. Collin,
January 12, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.

1. Invocation: Jeremy Hudson
2. Pledge to the United States and Texas Flag

The Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Leonard, Texas was called to order by Mayor Willie Johnson at 5:32 p.m. with the following members present:

Mayor Pro tem Pannkuk
Councilman Phillips
Councilman Grimes
Councilman McBroom
Councilwoman Blackerby

City Personnel Present:

City Administrator Jim Cox
City Secretary, Kristen Campbell
City Clerk, Pamela Winkler
Sergeant Kitts
Chief Meserole

Others Present:

Liz Johnson, Janie Ware, Margy Hall, Peggy Pannkuk, Ava Barlow, Jim McIntire, Melissa Meserole, Byron Meserole, Brenden Meserole, Douglas Morfeld, Arran Morfeld, Debra Morfeld, Jeremy Hudson, and Ashley Kent

4. City Secretary Kristen Campbell verified proof of posting of meeting
5. Quorum was verified
6. **Citizen's Comments**

There were no Citizen's Comments.

7. **Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Councilman Grimes and seconded by Councilman Pannkuk to approve the December 8, 2015 Regular Meeting.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All
Noes: None

A motion was made by Councilman Pannkuk and seconded by Councilman Phillips to approve the December 14, 2015 Special Meeting.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All
Noes: None

8. Consider Approval of First Quarter Financials for the 2015/2016 Fiscal Year

City Administrator Cox stated that he felt it would be a good idea and recommended that each quarter the City Council would approve the financials.

A motion was made by Councilman Grimes and seconded by Councilman Phillips to approve the first quarter financials for the 2015/2016 fiscal year.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All
Noes: None

9. Consider Approval of re-zoning the Pentecostal Church's property at the corners of Hunt and Elm streets and property at 105 N Elm adjacent to church property as commercial

Mayor Johnson stated that Mr. Murphy asked to remove this item from the agenda.

10. Consider Approval of Septic System Waste Disposal Permit, Fee and Charges

City Administrator Cox presented the new Septic System Waste Disposal Permit, fee and charges. The permit fee is \$25.00 and the new rates are stated in the permit presented before the council.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Blackerby and seconded by Councilman Pannkuk to approve the new Septic System Waste Disposal Permit, Fee and charges.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All
Noes: None

11. Consider approval of request for Sidewalk Repair

Mr. Blakey was not present. City Administrator Cox stated that Mr. Blakey has been in contact with the City for a while now. Mr. Blakey claims the building on the corner of Fannin and Connett Streets has a water intrusion issue when it rains and that the sidewalk is to blame. Mr. Blakey has requested the city handles all demolition of the sidewalk and he will pay the expense to redo the sidewalk.

A motion was made by Councilman Pannkuk and seconded by Councilman Grimes to deny Mr. Blakey's request for sidewalk repair

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All
Noes: None

12. Consider Approval of Committees, Boards, and Commissions Handbook

A motion was made by Councilman Phillips and seconded by Councilman Grimes to approve the Committees, Boards, and Commissions Handbook.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All
Noes: None

13. Consider Appointment of Parks and Recreation Board Members

A motion was made by Councilman Pannkuk and Seconded by Councilman Phillips to appoint Ashley Kent-Fields, Robert Bubba Damesworth, and Noel Nixon to the Parks and Recreation Board. The appointment is for two years. Two more members will be appointed at the next council meeting.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All
Noes: None

14. Introduction and Swearing in of New Police Chief

City Administrator Cox introduced the New Police Chief, Chief Meserole. Chief Meserole was sworn in by City Secretary Kristen Campbell.

15. Introduction of New Personnel Manual

City Administrator Cox presented the new personnel manual.

16. Discussion of Open Carry and Concealed Licensed Rules for City

City Administrator Cox stated beginning on January 1, 2016, House Bill 910 went into effect regarding "open carry." There are still varying opinions being expressed by the Attorney General's office and other legal sources. In a few months the final determination of rules should surface. We will readdress this issue at the next council meeting.

17. Council and City Administrator comments relating to items of Public Interest: Announcements regarding local or Regional Civic and charitable events, staff recognition, commendation of citizens, traffic issues, upcoming meetings, informational update on City Projects, Awards, Acknowledgment of Meeting Attendees, Birthdays, request of the City Administrator for items to be placed on upcoming agendas and condolences.

Councilwoman Blackerby stated that Sycamore Street is not finished. The company is coming back out to repair the street. She also stated that, they will be repairing the curve at Thomas and McClendon Street.


18. Adjournment

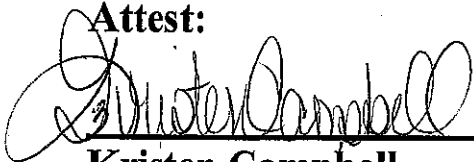
A motion was made by Councilman McBroom and seconded by Councilman Grimes to Adjourn at 6:05 p.m.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All
Noes: None

Approved:
City of Leonard

By: 
Willie F. Johnson
Mayor

Attest:

Kristen Campbell
City Secretary