

City of Berryville, Texas

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES Tuesday, November 14, 2023 City Hall 23170 CR 4117, Frankston, TX 75763

Minutes of the City of Berryville November 14, 2023, City Council Meeting. Members Present: Mayor Susan Morgan, Mayor Pro-Tem Gayla Leary, Councilwoman Bobbie Evans, Councilman Clint Lax, Councilman Lucas Wagenaar and Councilman Walt Eastland.

1. Call the meeting to order and have a Moment of Silence.

Mayor Morgan called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with a moment of silence followed by the pledge of allegiance led by Mayor Pro Tem Leary.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

2. Any person who is not scheduled on the agenda may address the City Council under Citizen Comments by completing a Citizen Appearance Request form with the City Secretary. In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, the City Council is restricted from taking action on comments during the Citizen Comments period.

Roberta Orchard, 23379 Three points Drive, Mrs. Orchard complained about William and Lacey Clark (C & C Quail Farm) at 10690 Circle Point. Mrs. Orchard stated the Clark's was operating a business in a restricted residential area causing a disturbing, continuation of unreasonable noise and this was a violation of Ordinance #5-8-00 and 8-3-81. Berryville City Council informed Mrs. Orchard that the city had already sent letters out and Three Points had a homeowner's association that could enforce what went on in Three Points.

William Chad Clark, 10690 Circle Point. Mr. Clark defended his business stating the other citizens in the neighborhood had animals also, but he did not know he could not run a business in a residential area. City Council reiterated to Mr. Clark he could not run a quail business in his neighborhood it was against city ordinance and their homeowner's association.

3. Operations Report: Ruben Servin to present a report on the status of the city's water & field operations for the past month.

Water Superintendent, Ruben Servin, read the water report and informed Roberta the speedbumps would be in place in 2 weeks. Mayor Pro Tem Leary asked Ruben if the department ever got that wrap. Ruben stated no. Councilwoman Evans inquired again about water loss. Ruben stated the biggest loss was in Holiday Hills and Bayside; the older lines have been pushed to their limit.

4. Volunteer Fire Department: Chief Chris Moore was present with Mr. James Ogg of the VFD. Chief Moore introduced Mr. Ogg to everyone and stated if he couldn't be present to report on the VFD activities Mr. Ogg would be filling in.

Mr. Ogg read the fire department report for the month of October.

5. Mayor's report.



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Mayor Morgan had nothing to report at this time.

6. Discuss and consider finding an Auditor for the City of Berryville.

The Mayor and Council discussed finding an Auditor briefly. Councilman Lax stated he would look into it and try to find someone.

7. Discuss, consider, and take action whether to join in the Lawsuit filed on behalf of the City of Grand Prairie, TX challenging the provisions of the new law that allows a person to petition to be out of the ETJ, and automatically grants that petition.

Mayor & Council had a brief discussion and Mayor Pro Tem Leary made a motion to decline joining the lawsuit. Councilman Wagenaar seconded the motion. Vote. All was in favor.

8. Consider and take action on the City's Financial Reports for October 2023.

Mayor Pro Tem Leary made a motion to accept the financials as presented. Councilman Lax seconded the motion. Questions. None. Vote. All was in favor.

9. Consider and take action on the minutes of October 2023 City Council meeting. City Secretary recommends approval.

Councilman Eastland made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Councilwoman Evans seconded the motion. Questions. None. Vote. All ayes. No opposed.

10. Adjourn. All items discussed. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Brenda Lankford City Secretary