



City of Berryville, Texas

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, July 11, 2023
City Hall 23170 CR 4117, Frankston, TX 75763

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Minutes of the City of Berryville July 11, 2023, City Council Meeting. Members present: Mayor Susan Morgan, Mayor Pro Tem Gayla Leary, Councilman Lucas Wagenaar and Councilman Walt Eastland. Councilwoman Bobbie Evans was absent.

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

Mayor Morgan called the meeting to order with a moment of silence.

**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.

Ms. Roberts Orchard asked if letters had been sent out to the two mobile homes for cleanup on that property? Lankford stated yes. Shanna has sent those out. Ms. Orchard then thanked the City of Berryville water guys for cutting and trimming trees.

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 the Council that Suddenlink had run over city property and driven off. Mayor Morgan asks Ruben if he had any info on the company vehicle that had hit city property. Ruben stated yes. Mayor Morgan asked for that information to be put on her desk so that Suddenlink could be held accountable. Ruben informed the Council that the backhoe had 2 tires that needed replacing. Ruben also updated the Council on well 6. Wanda Drilling fee to repair well 6 was \$15,000.00 and a new well would cost approximately \$1.5 million to drill.

4. Volunteer Fire Department: Chief Chris Moore to present a report on the VFD previous months activities.

Fire Chief Chris Moore could not be present, but he had sent in his report. Mayor Pro Tem Gayla Leary read the volunteer fire department report.

5. Mayor’s report.

Mayor Morgan had nothing to report.



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### **New Business:**

6. Discuss and consider appointing someone to fill Place 3 on City Council and swear in.

Mayor Pro Tem Leary appointed Mr. Clint Lax to fill place 3 on City Council. Councilman Walt Eastland seconded the motion. Questions. None. Vote. All were in favor. City Secretary Lankford then swore Mr. Lax in and presented a seat at the Council table.

7. Discuss property usage for property ID #290153 on Burks Street.

Mayor Pro Tem Leary asked what is he doing with the property. Mr. Oscar Burks stood and stated he wanted his facility to be a hospitality hall. The council informed Mr. Burks that the property location was zoned residential and not commercial. Mr. Burks and Council went back and forth with Mr. Burks asking well what do you want me to do with it? Council stated they would get with Mr. Burks later so that he could understand what was commercial.

8. Consider and take action to approve Athens Daily Review newspaper as the official newspaper for the city of Berryville.

Mayor Pro Tem Leary made a motion to accept Athens Daily Review as the City official newspaper. Councilman Wagenaar seconded the motion. Questions. None. Vote. All were in favor.

9. Consider and take action on the City's Financial Reports for June 2023.

Councilman Eastland made a motion to accept June Financials as presented. Mayor Pro Tem Leary seconded the motion. Questions. None. Vote. All were in favor.

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

Mayor Pro Tem Leary made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Councilman Lax seconded the motion. Questions. None. Vote. All were in favor.

The Mayor and Council informed everyone they needed to go into executive session and asked everyone to step out.

The Mayor and Council went into executive session in accordance with Texas Government Code 551.072.



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A. Proposal. Water well #6 repair w/Marco Longmire.

**OPEN SESSION:**

Consent and regular agenda. Councilman Eastland made a motion to approve Marco Longmire to install sleeve to repair hole in Water well #6 for \$15,000. Mayor Pro Tem Leary seconded the motion. Questions. None. Vote. All were in favor.

**11. Adjourn.**

All items' discussed meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Brenda Lankford,  
City Secretary

The City Council of the City of Berryville reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters above, with respect to and as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.074 (Personnel Matters) and 551.087 (Negotiations).