

CITY OF BERRYVILLE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2025
6:30 P.M.

Minutes of the City of Berryville, August 12, 2025, City Council Meeting,

Members present: Mayor Dennis Selby, Mayor Pro Tem Bobbie Evans, Councilwoman Brenda Pulis, Councilman Clinton Lax. Absent: Councilman Gene Fagelson and Councilman Edward Bogue.

Mayor Selby called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with a moment of silence and a salute to the flag.

Citizens Comments; none.

Item #1: Water & Field Operations: Ruben Servin to present a report on the status of the city's water and field operations for the past month.

Water Supervisor Servin was absent, Mayor Selby read the water report. Councilwoman Pulis asked when the results for the three year analysis report was expected back. Mayor Selby stated approximately 2 weeks turnaround.

Item # 2: Volunteer Fire Department: Representative to present a report on the Volunteer Fire Department previous month's activities.

Fire Chief Ogg read the report for July and informed everyone that at this time Henderson County was not under a burn ban. Chief Ogg also stated they were applying for grants to see if they could get a second alarm (weather siren) for the other side of the city, he stated they test at least one Saturday of the month. Councilwoman Pulis suggested maybe that could be put on the website since the Governor is working on getting alarms, Councilwoman Pulis also announced the rummage sale was cancelled for August 23rd.

Item #3: Update on Red's Landing review of immediate and ongoing maintenance and insurance requirements as a precursor for assuming operating control of the park.

Councilman Lax stated there was no listing of an active 501C for the park, and also stated someone had cut the lock on the gate and it had been unlocked all month.

Item #4: Discuss and take action on separating the BVFD as an organization.

Mayor Selby and Council discussed the fire department briefly. Councilwoman Pulis stated they needed to get a 501C for grants and fund raisers.

Item #5: Discuss and take action on second city-wide clean-up to be held in the fall. Add questionnaire to gauge interest for including abandoned vehicle disposal process.

Mayor Selby stated the fall cleanup would be at the cities expense, he asked Councilwoman Pulis to call Live Oak to see the cost. Mayor Selby and Council had a lengthy discussion on abandoned vehicle disposal. Mayor Pro Tem Evans suggested she and Councilwoman Pulis could work on questionnaire with citizens during city clean-up. Councilwoman Pulis made a motion to table this item for now. Mayor Pro Tem Evans seconded the motion. Questions. None. Vote. All was in favor.

Item #6: Discuss and take action on members of the committee for ordinance review. Replacing Sue Morgan and adding citizen member(s).

Mayor Pro Tem Evans made a motion to add (2)two members to the ordinance review committee. Councilwoman Pulis seconded the motion. Vote. All was in favor.

Item #7: Discuss and take action on Zoning Ordinance corrections. Correcting typos and adding review by Architecture Committee for the review of Building Permits.

Councilwoman Pulis made a motion to approve corrections to the zoning ordinance changing the word with to without in Section 9 paragraph 1. Mayor Pro Tem Evans seconded the motion. Questions. None. Vote. All were in favor.

Item #8: Discuss and take action on increasing Capital Expense minimum to \$5000.00.

Mayor Selby and the City Council had a brief discussion on capital expenses. Councilwoman Pulis made a motion to increase the capital expense minimum from \$500. to \$5000. Councilman Lax seconded the motion. Questions. None. Vote. All were in favor.

Item #9: Discuss and take action on clarification of having interest from investments go to General Account.

Councilman Lax made a motion to put all investments from Tex Star Investments in the General fund. Mayor Pro Tem Evans seconded the motion. Questions. None. Vote. All were in favor.

Item #10: Discuss and take action on enforcement of ordinances, Weeds, Trash and Brush along with Hazardous Structures. Use initial cases to iron out process with the City Attorney and Precinct 4 Justice of the Peace.

Councilwoman Pulis made a motion to start the process on enforcement of the ordinances. Councilman Lax seconded the motion. Questions. None. Vote. All were in favor.

Item #11: Mayors Report.

Mayor Selby gave everyone an update on all the conferences he had attended for the month, update on the city's water wells and the fire department.

Item #12: Discuss and take-action on the City's Financial Reports for the month of July;

Mayor Pro Tem Evans made a motion to accept the financials as presented. Councilwoman Pulis seconded the motion. Vote. All were in favor.

Item #13: Discuss and take action on July City Council minutes. Councilman Lax made a motion to accept July minutes as presented. Mayor Pro Tem Evans seconded the motion. Questions. None. Vote. All were in favor.

Item #10: Adjourn.

All items discussed meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Brenda Lankford
City Secretary