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Minutes of the City of Berryville July 09, 2024, City Council Meeting. Members present: Mayor Susan Morgan, Mayor Pro Tem Gayla Leary, Councilwoman Bobbie Evans, Councilman Clinton Lax, Councilman Lucas Wagenaar and Councilman Gene Fagelson.

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

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

1. 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 acting on comments during the Citizen Comments period.
2. Dennis Selby, 11224 Greenbriar, Frankston, TX 75763. Mr. Selby presented a letter to the Council with a map of the City of Berryville. Mr. Selby stated no land has been annexed into the city but there seem to be many variances made in Aero Estates. Mr. Selby stated he would like to see boundaries accurately posted, also, Aero Estates is not in Berryville.

Mr. James Hawley then stated you mean we have had representation from Aero Estates sitting on the Council that are non-residents of Berryville. Mr. Hawley apologized for the outburst and stated I did not know this, or I would have signed up to speak.

(b) Mayor Morgan read Mrs. Roberta Orchard letter to Council. Mrs. Orchard asks the council to please review and consider the following problems in the Three Points Estates Subdivision which appears to be in violation of a City of Berryville Ordinance.

**Berryville Ordinance #3-1-75**: All right of ways within the city limits shall be kept free of any obstruction that shall inhibit the maintenance of said roads or block traffic and emergency vehicles. Mrs. Orchard informed the Council of the location she felt there was a problem. NE corner at intersection of Circle Drive and Henderson County Road 4101.

1. Water & Field Operations: Water Superintendent 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 for June and informed the Council that all reports had been submitted in the time given. Ruben also stated the pressure tank has been inspected.

1. Volunteer Fire Department: Captain, James Ogg read the VFD report and informed everyone they were using a new program now called Responder. There were no questions.
2. Mayor’s report:

Mayor Morgan stated she had nothing to report at this time. Councilman Fagelson ask Council to let us look into investing these things are already in place in other cities. Councilman Fagelson stated he would look into if this okay with the Council.

1. 01: Investment of Current City Funds

Pursuant to the Public Funds Investment Act, Article 342a-2 V.T.C.S. authorize and create a committee to investigate and create a resolution to invest the current available city funds in an effort to obtain a better return than the current Austin Bank Savings Accounts.

Councilman Fagelson stated he just wanted Council to look into products and review accounts on a yearly basis.

1. 02: Review Current City Bank Accounts

Authorize a member of the City Council to conduct a review of the current operating and savings account to ensure that the structure of each account is best suited for the purpose and method it is being currently used for. Report back to the council with any recommendation and/or changes.

Councilman Fagelson said as stated before accounts just need to be reviewed on a yearly basis.

1. 03: Adopt a policy for publishing minutes, reports, etc. to the City Website. Authorize a committee to review our current procedures/policy and create/update the policy to clearly define what is posted to the City Website and the timing of the posting. Ensure that all minutes and/or reports comply with the Texas Open Meetings Act.

No action was taken.

1. Discuss, consider, and take action to transfer funds from Berryville Fire Department Special account to the Volunteer Fire Department regular account to fulfill the VFD requested tools list.

Councilman Lax made a motion to transfer $6,375.62 from the VFD Special account to the Regular account. Councilman Fagelson seconded the motion. Questions. None. Vote. All was in favor.

1. Consider and take action on the City’s Financial Reports for the month of June 2024.

Mayor Pro Tem Leary made a motion to accept financials as presented. Councilman Wagenaar seconded the motion. Vote. All were in favor.

1. Consider and take action on June, City Council meeting minutes.

Councilman Lax made a motion to accept the June minutes as written. Councilman Wagenaar seconded the motion. Questions. None. Vote. All ayes no opposed.

All agenda items discussed Mayor Morgan stated the Berryville City Council would be going into Executive Session according to Texas Government Code section 551.074:

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

1. Personnel Matters.

OPEN SESSION:

1. Consent and regular agenda.

Councilman Lax made a motion to approve distributing raises in the new fiscal year as discussed in executive session. Councilman Fagelson seconded the motion. Questions. None. Vote. All were in favor.

1. Adjourn.

All items were discussed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

 Brenda Lankford,

 City Secretary