

City of Danbury  
Regular Council Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, May 18, 2023

**Call to Order:** Mayor Suzanne Powell called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**Council Present:** Keith Woods, Rocky Hicks, Kylie Kroschel and Jon Williams

**Council Absent:** Gordon Hatthorn

**Staff Present:** Erin Nolan, Randy Rhyne, Chris Henken

**Pledge**

**Prayer:** David Cato

**Ceremonial Presentation:** Swearing In Ceremony of elected Aldermen: Rocky Hicks, Jon Williams and Keith Woods.

**Public Comment:** NONE

**Mayor Update:**

Saturday is the open house at the Fire Department.

Graduation is coming up next Friday, May 26<sup>th</sup>.

Last day of school is Thursday, May 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Council and Staff Comments:**

NONE

**Consent Agenda:**

1. Consideration of Monthly Bills (Check Register from 3/1/2023-3/31/2023)
2. Consideration of March Financial Statements
3. Notification of All Checking accounts- available balance as of 5/18/2023
4. Consideration of April Police Report/Maintenance Log
5. Consideration of April Municipal Court Report
6. Consideration of April Community Center Report
7. Consideration of April Park Report
8. Consideration of April Time Report
9. Consideration of April Utility Report
10. Consideration of City Council Minutes (5/4/2023)
11. Consideration of Building/Electrical Inspector Report
12. Consideration of Utility Department Vehicle Report

**Motion by Kylie Kroschel and seconded by Rocky Hicks to approve the consent agenda.  
Passes but councilman Keith Woods abstains.**

**General Business:**

1. Presentation for Council on Chapter 22 Texas Local Government Code. (Art Pertile)  
**Art Pertile discussed the information in regards to Chapter 22 Texas Local Government Code.**
2. Discussion and Consideration of refurbished Danbury train luggage cart and placement at Skrabanek Park. (Janelle Williamson)

**Heather Martin presented a picture of what the cart will look like after refurbished and the idea of where the Civic Club thought would be a good location in the park to place the cart.**

**Civic Club will donate the cart to the City. A plaque with the cart to explain the history of it. Would be great for holiday decorations.**

**It was suggested that the Civic Club come back to a future meeting with a different location. The Library was a suggested location.**

**TABLED**

3. Discussion and Consideration of Resolution 23-003: Council Members to serve as members of the Danbury Volunteer Fire Department. (Sue Powell)

**Motion by Kylie Kroschel and seconded by Jon Williams to accept Resolution 23-003: Council Members to serve as members of the Danbury Volunteer Fire Department.**

**PASSES**

4. Discussion and Consideration of Ordinance 23-09: Unique Vehicles. (Randy Rhyne)

**The time for riding after daylight was discussed.**

**Motion by Jon Williams and seconded by Kylie Kroschel to accept Ordinance 23-09: Unique Vehicles with the hours of operation to be daylight to midnight.**

**2 yes: Kylie Kroschel and Jon Williams**

**2 no: Keith Woods and Rocky Hicks**

**Tie vote**

**Mayor Voted Yes to pass Ordinance 23-09**

5. Discussion and Consideration of Budget Workshop dates. (Sue Powell)

**Motion by Kylie Kroschel and seconded by Jon Williams to hold budget workshop on Thursday, June 1, 2023 at 6: 30 p.m. at regular council meeting.**

**PASSES**

6. Discussion and Consideration of setting School Traffic Flow Meeting. (Sue Powell)

**June 6<sup>th</sup> and June 12<sup>th</sup> were suggested dates. Mayor will reach out to the school district as well as the county engineer to determine the meeting date.**

7. Discussion and Consideration of Appointing Mayor Pro-Tem. (Sue Powell)

**Motion by Jon Williams and seconded by Kylie Kroschel to appoint Rocky Hicks as Mayor Pro- Tem.**

**PASSES**

8. Utility Update (Keith Woods and Sue Powell)

**New cooling fans in LST #3 # 6 # 1 (green box ones) got installed, they had stopped working.**

**Relay switch on pump #3 at LS # 10 went out, a new one was ordered and installed. Lift Station # 3 behind old Wells Fargo has a pump that needs some maintenance, this is something our utility workers can do. – update pump broke at noon 5/18/2023**

**Wet haul did not get done last week due to all the rain, did one today. Currently scheduled for the next 3 Thursdays.**

**Motor on the gear box that Alvin equipment installed needed to be worked on. It is producing too many RPM's. The new pulley's, belts, and items needed have been ordered. Luke will be working on this Friday or Monday. Once completed, we can run both of the gear boxes on the race track and verify that everything Alvin Equipment is good to go.**

**Pumps at the clarifiers needed some attention, Rodney and Luke got them unclogged, we might need new impellers.**

**AT&T contractor in town running fiber optics. Damaged a water line last Thursday evening, they will be receiving a bill for the repairs once their project in town is complete.**

**Cement walls from old drying beds broke down, and cement has been taken to county precinct.**

**Started work on old dog kennel to repurpose that into covered parking for equipment.**

**Utility Truck is running rough, needs a tune up, using a lot of fuel. The utility small ford truck still needs ball joints redone.**

**Had the kick off meeting with KSA on ground storage on 5/17 very preliminary, the electronic package will be emailed to everyone.**

**We have a request for a sewer tap on first street, going to cost \$\$\$ the utility guys are working with Hot Rod Boring to come up with a plan.**

**Worked on sewer leak that was reported on facebook then at city hall location. 9<sup>th</sup> street between J and K.**

9. Discussion and Consideration of Alvin Contracting Quote 23-042 and Invoice 23016.(Sue Powell)

**The mayor will need to follow up with company and tell them we need to take a closer look at this invoice.**

**TABLED until we have a total cost.**

10. Discussion and Consideration of Texas Emissions Reduction Plan Rebate Grants Program. (Rocky Hicks)

**TABLED**

11. Discussion and Consideration of Ordinance 23-12 amending Ordinance 22-17 Utility: changes for water and sewer tap fees. (Sue Powell)

**TABLED**

12. Discussion and Consideration Chief Randy Rhyne Retirement announcement. (Sue Powell)

**Chief Randy Rhyne let everyone on council know that it has been a pleasure working here. After 44 years of service he will be retiring on May 31, 2023.**

**Executive Session:entered into executive session at 8:02 p.m.**

13. Discussion and consideration appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee: Police Chief

**General Business:entered back into general session at 8:37 p.m.**

14. Discussion and consideration appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee: Police Chief

**Motion made by Rocky Hicks and seconded by Kylie Kroschel to appoint Chris Henken as interim chief at \$30.00 an hour beginning on June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023.**

**PASSES**

15. Discussion and Consideration of appointment of Emergency Management Coordinator. (Sue Powell)

**Motion made by Rocky Hicks and seconded by Kylie Kroschel to appoint Chris Henken as interim Emergency Management Coordinator beginning on June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023.**

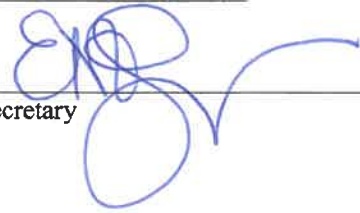
**PASSES**

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**Adjourn/Dismiss: Mayor Suzanne Powell adjourned the meeting at 8:39 p.m.**

  
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Mayor Suzanne Powell

  
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Kylie Kroschel  
May 18

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ATTEST by:   
Erin Nolan, City Secretary