City of Danbury Regular Council Meeting Minutes Thursday, September 21, 2023

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

Pledge

Praver: David Cato

Public Comment: NONE

Ceremonial Presentation:

1) Proclamation- 2023 World Teachers' Day

Mayor Suzanne Powell read the Proclamation. Mayor and Council presented the proclamation to Superintendent Mike Homann.

Mike Homann expressed his gratitude for Mayor and Council taking the time to recognize the teachers of Danbury.

Mayor Undate:

- Texas Water Board Grant- Last year the City applied and we were number 58. This year KSA resubmitted for us for no charge and we are currently number 9 on the list for an award amount of \$8,150,000.00. Public Comment period is now open for the grant until October 5th. So anyone may go and comment on it. Kylie Kroschel stated she would like to encourage everyone to go and make public comment on it.
- The gray truck "Mike's truck" is up to \$410.00 on the auction website.
- Bill of Sale picked up today for the black police unit.
- Baseball and Softball LED lighting grant will be turned in tomorrow.
- All funds will be completely moved from Wells Fargo next Wednesday and moved into First State Bank.

Council and Staff Comments:

Erin mentioned remote capture training was this week for First State Bank. Sue added in that it will help with not having to go to the bank as often.

Consent Agenda:

- 1. Consideration of August Financial Statements
- 2. Notification of All Checking accounts- available balance as of 9/21/2023
- 3. Consideration of August Police Report/Maintenance Log
- 4. Consideration of August Municipal Court Report
- 5. Consideration of August Community Center Report
- 6. Consideration of August Park Report
- 7. Consideration of August Time Report
- 8. Consideration of August Utility Report
- 9. Consideration of City Council Minutes (9/7/2023)
- 10. Consideration of Building/Electrical Inspector Report
- 11. Consideration of Utility Department Vehicle Report

Motion by Kylie Kroschel and seconded by Rocky Hicks to accept the consent agenda. PASSES

Consent Agenda:

12. Consideration of Monthly Bills (Check Register from 8/1/2023-8/31/2023)

Motion by Rocky Hicks and seconded by Gordon Hatthorn to approve Monthly Bills (Check register from 8/1/2023-8/31/2023).

PASSES

General Business:

1. Discussion and Consideration of Ordinance # 23-18 regarding adopting tax rate of 0.381644 per \$100 for Tax year 2023.

Motion by Kylie Kroschel and seconded by Jon Williams to accept Ordinance # 23-18 regarding adopting tax rate of 0.381644 per \$100 for Tax year 2023.

PASSES

1a. Vote to approve the Maintenance and Operation Tax rate of 0.381644 per \$100 for Tax Year 2023. (Record Vote)

YES: Gordon Hatthorn, Keith Woods, Rocky Hicks, Kylie Kroschel and Jon Williams NO: None

Present but not voting: Sue Powell

PASSES

1b. Vote to approve the Debt Service Tax rate of 0.00000 per \$100 for Tax Tear 2023. (Record Vote)

YES: Gordon Hatthorn, Keith Woods, Rocky Hicks, Kylie Kroschel and Jon Williams

NO: None

Present but not voting: Sue Powell

PASSES

1c. Vote to approve Tax Rate Ordinance with Tax rate of 0.381644 per \$100 for Tax Year 2023. (Record Vote)

YES: Gordon Hatthorn, Keith Woods, Rocky Hicks, Kylie Kroschel and Jon Williams

NO: None

Present but not voting: Sue Powell

PASSES

2. Discussion and Consideration of Project Graduation hosting a Fall Festival/cook-off and bonfire at the Sports Complex on one of these three dates: Sunday, October 29, 2023, Friday, November 10, 2023 or Sunday, November 12, 2023. (Monica Penn)

Monica Penn the President for Project Graduation spoke about the cook off which would be held on Mrs. Kasey's property with the dates of November 10th and November 11th and the fall festival would be in the circle drive. They will hire security for the event as well as have portable bathrooms. There will be portable bathrooms in the cook off area as well as the fall festival area. There will be many games, bounce house, rock climbing and laser tag. The plan for the bonfire is one of the dates listed with the plan to have community support of the event for the Seniors just as they would have if had done the bonfire after the parade. They would like it to be the same date as the cook off/fall festival but picked three dates because they are not sure about the burn ban and when it would be lifted.

Motion by Kylie Kroschel and seconded by Gordon Hatthorn to allow Project Graduation hosting a Fall Festival/ cook-off and bonfire at the Sports Complex on one of these three dates: Sunday, October 29, 2023, Friday, November 10, 2023 or Sunday, November 12, 2023.

Yes: Gordon Hatthorn, Rocky Hicks, Kylie Kroschel and Jon Williams No: Keith Woods

PASSES

3. Discussion and consideration on the hourly rate paid to Louis Lukasheay between August 14, 2023, and September 10, 2023, and new pay rate. (Keith Woods)

Keith Woods stated that Luke is someone that the City needs and would like to change his pay rate to the amount of \$22.00.

Motion by Rocky Hicks and Keith Woods to change Louis Lukasheay to \$22.00 an hour and to pay the \$1.00 difference from pay period August 14, 2023 to September 10, 2023.

Yes: Gordon Hatthorn, Keith Woods, Rocky Hicks and Jon Williams

No: Kylie Kroschel

4. Discussion of Road List for Fiscal Year 2024. (Sue Powell)

Sue told everyone to be thinking about requests. Please bring list to the first meeting in October. We have a total of 2 miles that we can have on the list. Please measure your areas that you want on the list because it will help the process move faster and ensure that we get it turned in by the November 1st due date.

5. Discussion of nominations for Appraisal District Board of Directors. (Sue Powell)

Bring your nominations or vote ideas to the first meeting in October.

6. Discussion and Consideration of using SLAM Business Services for RVS Support. (Sue Powell)

Motion by Kylie Kroschel and seconded by Jon Williams to approve using SLAM Business Services for RVS Support.

PASSES

7. Discussion and Consideration of Ordinance 23-20 replacing Ordinance 23-04 Community Center Rules. (Erin Nolan)

TABLED bring back to October 5th meeting.

- 8. Update from Police Department. (Chief Henken)
- * Security Camera Project: we have one bid back from Steve Vaugh. Met with company that worked on the schools camera project and has not turned in bid yet. One more company has reached out to have a zoom meeting for next week.
- * Truck and up fitting: waiting on light for truck. Will go sometime next week to sign paperwork. Once they get light will get it to the up fitter and should be done mid-October.
- * 3 applications have started background work on two of them.
- *WatchGuard system: the version we have is obsolete. Reached out to Axon another company to get pricing.
- 9. Discussion and Consideration of payment of \$55,324.00 for Interlocal Agreement IS23-0024 between Brazoria County and the City of Danbury-Road repairs. (Sue Powell)

TABLED bring back to October 5th meeting

10. Discussion of Crossing Guard Program. (Sue Powell)

Chief Henken to get with Chief Bracken to work through what was presented.

List crosswalks: main crosswalk at the High School, 2^{nd} and main crosswalk and 4 way stop crosswalk

11. Discussion and Consideration of Resolution 23-0016 of the City of Danbury declaring the Utility Department's one color laser jet pro printer and one HP laser jet printer surplus property and approving its disposition. (Sue Powell)

Motion by Kylie Kroschel and seconded by Jon Williams to approve Resolution 23-0016 of the City of Danbury declaring the Utility Department's one color laser jet pro printer and one HP laser jet printer surplus property and approving its disposal.

PASSES

Adjourn/Dismiss: Mayor Suzanne Powell adjourned the meeting at 7:44 p.m.

Mayor Suzanne Powell

Erin Nolan, City Secretary

ATTEST by:

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