

# City of Berryville, Texas

## CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES Tuesday, August 13, 2024 City Hall 23170 CR 4117, Frankston, TX

Minutes of the City of Berryville August 13, 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.

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 acting on comments during the Citizen Comments period.

None.

3. 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 July. Questions. None

4. Volunteer Fire Department: Captain, James Ogg to present a report on the Volunteer Fire Department previous month activities.

Captain Ogg read the VFD report. Mayor Pro Tem Leary announced that since the City Council never followed up on getting a plaque for the firehouse in honor of the late Fire Chief, Chris Moore she and her husband (Bo) bought one themselves. Mayor Pro Tem Leary then presented the plaque to the Fire Captain, James Ogg to put up at the Firehouse.

5. Mayor's report:

Mayor Morgan stated it had been brought to the Council attention that a couple of the council members did not reside in the City of Berryville. Mayor Pro Tem Leary then took over and informed everyone that she had been approached by one of the former Mayor's, Mr. Roy Brown, several years ago and was asked to join the council, Mrs. Leary stated she did not know she wasn't in the city. The Mayor Pro Tem also informed everyone that she had not done the things that everyone had been accusing her of doing and at this time she was resigning from the City Council and left the council table. Councilman Wagenaar then

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stated I guess it's my turn. Councilman Wagenaar stated he had enjoyed serving on the Council and at this time he was also resigning due to the circumstances and then removed himself from the Council table also. Councilman Lax then stated that if the Mayor Pro Tem was resigning it was only appropriate that the Council appoint someone else at this time to that position. Councilman Lax then made a motion to appoint Councilman Evans as Mayor Pro Tem. Councilman Fagelson seconded the motion. Councilman Lax then asked Councilman Evans if she would accept the position of Mayor Pro Tem. Councilman Evans stated yes. Vote. All ayes. No opposed. Councilman Evans then stated she had something she wanted to say. Mayor Pro Tem Evans stated she took her position seriously and she would do her best, also, the adjunct/council meetings that are being held outside of city hall have got to stop we have got to work together to move forward. Mayor Pro Tem Evans stated she would like to see all the people that are here tonight at the next council meeting.

6. Discuss and consider membership qualifications for City Council.

Mayor Morgan read the qualifications to serve on the city council. Citizens then asked if the qualifications and places for City Council could be put on the web site stating people may be interested but not know there are vacancies. The City Secretary was told to put on the web site the qualifications and seats open for city council.

7. Consider and take action to approve/disapprove the City of Berryville Drought Contingency Plan.

Councilman Lax made a motion to approve the drought contingency plan. Councilman Fagelson stated he had not read the plan but, seconded the motion made to approve the plan. Mayor Pro Tem Evans then stated she had not read the plan either. No vote was taken. The council tabled this item for the next meeting.

8. Consider and take action on the City's Financial Reports for the month of July 2024.

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

9. Consider and take action on July, City Council meeting minutes.

Councilman Lax made a motion to accept the July minutes as written. Mayor Pro Tem Evans seconded the motion. Questions. None. Vote. All ayes no opposed.

10. Adjourn.

All items were discussed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Brenda Lankford,  
City Secretary