



# City of Berryville, Texas

## CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, August 15, 2023

City Hall 23170 CR 4117, Frankston, TX 75763

Minutes of the City of Berryville August 15, 2023, City Council Meeting. Members present: Mayor Susan Morgan, Mayor Pro Tem Gayla Leary, Councilwoman Bobbie Evans Councilman Lucas Wagenaar, Councilman Walt Eastland and Councilman Clinton Lax.

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

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

### CITIZEN COMMENTS:

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.

Citizens of the community spoke complaining of the issuance of a building permit for 10955 Burks St. approved by the Mayor on June 14, 2023.

- Ron Hewlett, 11274 Thousand Pines Circle,
- Don Sanders, 23352 Edgewater Drive,
- Brenda Pulis, 11248 Thousand Pines Circle,
- Chris Yater, 11360 Thousand Pines Circle,
- Mike Beal, 11733 Thousand Pines Circle,
- Rob Marshall, 11314 Thousand Pines Circle,
- Lee Danner, 11185 Greenbriar Blvd.,
- James Hawley, 23220 Edgewater Dr.,
- Stephen Forson, 11172 Hickory Ln.,
- Cathy Duncan, 23206 Edgewater Dr.,
- Teresa Nowell, 23250 Edgewater Dr.,
- Dennis Selby, 11224 Greenbriar Blvd.,
- Ruth Hawley, 23220 Edgewater Dr.,
- Linda Blanton, 23258 Edgewater Dr.,
- Ronnie Nowell, 23250 Edgewater Dr.,
- Barb Kelley, 11224 Greenbriar Blvd.,
- Roberta Orchard, 23379 Three Points Dr.

Wanda Hewlett, 11274 Thousand Pines Circle, complained there was nothing on website Agenda's, Minutes or Ordinances.



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Mayor and Council listened to all complaints but was restricted from taking any action during citizens comment period.

3. Operations Report: 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 and informed the Council that well 6 was looking good and he had received a letter of approval from the state. Councilman Eastland asked Ruben if well 6 was to blame for some of the water loss. Ruben stated no.

4. Volunteer Fire Department: Chief Chris Moore to present a report on the VFD previous months activities.

Fire Chief Chris Moore was not present and had not sent in his report. Councilwoman Evans stated someone from the VFD should be present during all City Council Meetings. Councilman Lax stated he would give a call to James Ogg of the fire department.

5. Mayor's report.

Mayor Morgan had nothing to report.

6. Consider and take action on the City's Financial Reports for July 2023.

Mayor Pro Tem Leary made a motion to accept July Financials as presented. Councilman Eastland seconded the motion. Questions. None. Vote. All were in favor.

7. Consider and take action on the minutes of July 2023 City Council meeting. City Secretary recommends approval.

Councilman Eastland made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Mayor Pro Tem Leary seconded the motion. Questions. None. Vote. All were in favor.

Councilwoman Evans spoke to Council asking if they could reopen citizen comments stating Mr. Oscar (Cheater) Burks is here and I think it would be amiss if we did not give him the opportunity to speak. The council agreed. Mr. Burks stood and introduced himself. Mr. Burks stated he did not like to be fussed at and he heard what everyone had said. He stated the building could be a barn are whatever he wanted it to be. Mr. Burks stated he wanted to have a BBQ at the building and would like everyone that wanted to come to do so. Mr. Burks ask do you all object to me having a barbecue. Some of the citizens stated yes!



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The Mayor and Council informed everyone they needed to go into executive session and asked everyone to step out.

The Mayor and Council went into executive session in accordance with Texas Government Code 551.074.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A. Personnel (Employees)

### OPEN SESSION:

8. Consent and regular agenda. Mayor Pro Tem Leary made a motion for the Council to look at the building permit and make a decision about the building at 10955 Burks Street. Councilman Lax seconded the motion. Questions. None. Vote. All were in favor.
9. Adjourn.

All items' discussed meeting were adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Brenda Lankford,  
City Secretary