

City of Keo Minutes from August 28, 2023

Mayor White started the meeting at 7:02 PM

Those present: Mayor Stephanie White, Recorder/treasure Clara Hughes, Alderman David Lanehart, Dave Sharp, Chris Collins, and Lynda Staton were present.

No guests present.

Minutes for July meeting were approved with Lanehart making the motion with a 2nd by Sharp with all in agreement.

City Financials = July 2023 financials were looked over & discussed Staton made a motion to approve both months with a 2nd by Collins with all approving these financials.

Water Financials= July 2023 water financials were discussed with a motion made by Sharp with a 2nd by Lanehart with all in favor with one abstention.

Water report was given to the council by Chris Collins.

Assistant Chief Tyler Busick was present for this meeting updating the council on all the training that is to come for the volunteers and getting all the supplies on the new truck. The discussion to use money left over from shipping to have letters put on truck.

No constable report was given.

No Fire Report was given

The council looked over & discussed the recent city audit done by the Arkansas Legislative audit for the year ended December 31, 2022.

Mayor White asked the council if the city could do the BQ dinner for the community involvement for the weekend of the Pecan festival. After a discussion Lynda Staton made a motion to spend \$1500 with a 2nd by Sharp with all in favor.

Mayor White requested the council to consider paying for extra portable potties for that weekend. The cost for 3 portable potties would be \$981.00. Collins made a motion to add the extra potties for the festival with a 2nd by Sharp with all in agreement.

Mayor White read to the council Ordinance No. 2023-08-28-23-01 this ordinance is for the city to provide for levying a 4.25% franchise fee to be paid by Connect 2 First Internet, LLC to the City of Keo. After reading this ordinance she then read Ordinance # 2023-08-28-02 to provide for levying a 4.25% franchise fee to be paid by First Electric Cooperative Corporation; to provide for the payment monthly basis on or before the 20th day of each month. First payment would be paid November 2023. After reading these ordinances Lanehart made the motion to accept both ordinances with a 2nd by Sharp with all in agreement.

Several water accounts had leaks Account #'s 31 used 12,460, Acct# 39 10,320, Acct# 149 15,290, & Acct # 197 7,950 and the council voted to cut the water portion in half. Hudkins made the motion with a 2nd by Staton all were in agreement with one abstention.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:42 PM with Lynda Staton making the motion with a 2nd by Lanehart with all in agreement.