

## KEO CITY COUNCIL MEETING JANUARY 22, 2024

Mayor White called the January city council meeting to order @ 7:00 PM. Those present: Mayor Stephanie White, Recorder/treasurer Clara J. Hughes, & council members: David Lanehart, Dave Sharp, Chris Collins, and Randy Hudkins. There were 3 guests present.

Mayor White suspended the normal order to allow our annual tradition to allow Reverend Hughes to bless the council so that they could bless the community & make the correct decisions for our city throughout the year. After Reverend Diane Hughes blessed the council, she thanked everyone for allowing her to be a part of doing this each year for the city.

Mayor White welcomed Ted Green from VDCI to speak to the council about mosquito management for our city. After speaking to the council & answering questions from the council, Mayor White thanked Mr. Green for coming to the meeting to give details of what his company does to help with mosquito control.

The minutes for the November 27, 2024 council meeting was presented to the council & a motion was made by Randy Hudkins to accept these minutes with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lanehart with all in favor.

The council looked over the city for November & December financials after looking these financials over & a discussion on these financials, Lanehart made a motion to accept these financials with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Collins and the motion passed unanimously.

The November & December Keo water & sewer financials were presented to the council after a discussion on these financials Lanehart made a motion to accept these financials with a 2<sup>nd</sup> Sharp with all in agreement with one abstention.

The water report was given by our new water maintenance operator John Bruhl. He stated there were no leaks detected on the system, that there had been 4-5 homes with leaks. And that the city had used a large amount of water during the cold snap. The council thanked John for taking over the position.

Fire Chief presented his 2024 budget to the council after a discussion Hudkins made a motion to accept this budget with making amendment to add \$ 3000.00 for hoses & fittings with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sharp with all in agreement.

The council looked over the presented proposed budget for 2024 after a discussion on this, the council felt that flowers should be paid out of Veterans fund for the parks, that the IRS amount needed to be increased to \$ 5000, and social media should be increased from \$3600 to \$4800.00 and the increase in the payroll for Mayor White. After this discussion Lanehart made the motion to accept this budget with the amendments added with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Collins with all in agreement.

Lanehart made a motion to accept the working budget with making the changes suggested with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hudkins with all in agreement.

The Resolution 01-22-2024 for the 2024 Budget 01-22-2024 was read by Mayor White after reading Lanehart made the motion to accept with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sharp with all in agreement.

Mayor White informed the council of the engineers coming to discuss & create plans on all the projects that are coming in the next few months. Mayor also said that Orchard had gotten the new street lights that was needed for that area.

Mayor White also said she had found a grant for the fire department to apply for, to help with fire department needs.

Lanehart made the motion to adjourn at 10:07 PM with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Collins the motion passed unanimously.

There was not a February council meeting.

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Mayor White

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Recorder Clara Hughes

## Customer Adjustments for January 2024

Acct 3

20,180 gallons billed

10,090 gallons 50%

Acct 91

6830 gallons billed

3415 gallons 50%

Acct 99

27,190 gallons billed

13,595 gallons 50%

Acct 111

16,450 gallons billed

8225 gallons 50%

Acct 197

20,000 gallons billed

10,000 gallons 50%

