

# **City of Keo Minutes from January 23, 2023**

The council was sworn in by Dawn Porterfield.

**Alderman** Chris Collins, David Lanehart, Dave Sharp, Lynda Staton, & Randy Hudkins present.

**Mayor White & Recorder/treasure** Hughes was present for this meeting that started at 7 PM.

There were 9 guests present

**Minutes** were approved with Lanehart making the motion with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Collins with all in agreement.

**City Financials** = November & December were looked over & discussed. Lanehart made a motion to approve these financials with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Collins with all in favor.

**Water Financials**= November & December financials were discussed with a motion made by Staton with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lanehart with all in agreement with one abstention.

**Chris Collins** gave a quick report stating there had been a few problems with the city water system since the November meeting and that they had worked diligently to keep the system running during the cold weather & they had to repair many leaks around town. And in the event the city needing water we have our emergency backup plan with Grand Prairie water.

**Constable Tim Collins** was present stated things had been quite around town lately.

## **New Business-**

Kenny Goodwin with Arrowhead Broadband came to discuss with the council & the community the opportunity of offering broadband to the city of Keo. After he left the council discussed and Lynda Staton made the motion to go forward paying the \$ 25,000 on getting Broadband started by using the money from AR. Traunch with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dave Sharp with all in agreement. Lanehart made a motion to allow the franchise to get equipment on water tower with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sharp with all in favor.

Discussion on moving light on Hwy 165 & doing some other electric work was tabled for next month's meeting & possibly get another quote.

**Water Bill** presented **accounts # 156** used 16,390 gallons of water due to a leak. Council voted to cut the water portion in half with Staton making the motion with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lanehart with all in agreement with one abstention. Discussion to charge for damage done to broken pipes was discussed charging for parts, labor, & water.

Mayor White asked the council to consider paying for food & drinks for Fire chiefs meeting at city hall at some point during the next year. Hudkins made a motion to use \$200 from the general fund to pay for the food & drink with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lanehart with all in agreement.

## **Old Business on ditch cleaning**

Mayor presented a bid to have some ditch cleaning done around city of Keo. After discussing the council voted to do Third St. Hwy 232 to Fleming, lowering 3 culverts & doing ditch cleanout. Lanehart made the motion to pay the \$6800.00 of the bid from Cliff Childress bid with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sharp with all in agreement.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:28 with David Lanehart made the motion with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lynda Staton with all in agreement.

**Announcements for the community-** Movie night February 10<sup>th</sup>

**Next council meeting February 27<sup>th</sup>**