

Special Meeting

November 15, 2023

This meeting was opened at 6:31 PM

Those present were Mayor White, Recorder/treasure Clara Hughes, Randy Hudkins, Dave Sharp, David Lanehart, & Lynda Staton.

This meeting was called to discuss some expenses for some electrical work that needed to be done for the pecan festival. Randy Hudkins made the motion to spend up to \$1800 to have this electrical work done with a 2<sup>nd</sup> with Lynda Staton with all in agreement.

This meeting was adjourned at 7:04 PM with the motion made by Lanehart and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sharp with all in agreement.

Mayor White

Recorder/treasure Clara Hughes

Keo City Council Minutes  
November 27, 2023

Those present were Mayor Stephanie White, Recorder/Treasure Clara Hughes, and Alderman: Dave Sharp present by phone, David Lanehart, Randy Hudkins, Lynda Staton, & Chris Collins.

Recorder Treasure Clara Hughes presented the minutes from the from October 2023 city council meeting. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Hudkins with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lanehart and the motion was passed unanimously.

Minutes from Special meeting November 15, 2023 was presented a motion to accept these minutes was made by Lanehart 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hudkins with all in agreement.

Financial Statement for the Water and Sewer Department for October 2023 was reviewed by the City Council. Randy Hudkins made a motion to accept the water financial statements as presented with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lanehart and the motion was passed unanimously with one abstention.

Water report was given to the council and after report, Chris Collins water operator informed the council that the end of December would be his last month of working with the water & sewer department. He stated he would still help when needed for emergency purposes but no longer would be full time working with the water system.

Mayor White thanked him for his 3 years and informed council she had someone lined out to start training.

Fire report was given to the council.

There is no update on Arrowhead broadband at this time. Mayor Stephanie stated she is still pushing forward to try and get broadband as quickly as possible for the other side of the highway.

The third reading of title only for Arts & entertainment Ord. # 2023-09-25 was read by Mayor White after reading a motion to accept was made by Lanehart with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Collins with all in agreement.

A motion was made by the council to not have a December 2023 council meeting. Lynda Staton made the motion with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lanehart with all in favor.

After discussing & looking over the budget for 2024 Mayor White had proposed and possibly making changes a motion to stop mosquito control was made by Lanehart with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sharp with all in favor of this motion.

Also the discussion to stop paying for the emergency ambulance monthly payment of \$ 250.00 was discussed and stated beginning 2024 the city would not be making this payment to help with the city budget. There was a discussion to possibly increase the Mayor's salary with all her duties that she does daily for the city and what the city could actually afford. The decision was tabled for January 2024's meeting to decide on an actual amount.

2024 Fire Budget was presented after a discussion

2024 Proposed water budget was discussed and a motion accepted by Randy Hudkins with a 2nd by Lanehart with all in favor with one abstention.

Mayor White gave information to the council about the winter conference and gave the council the prices of \$ 350.00 each for her & Lynda Staton to attend and two nominating volunteers with the fee of \$80.00. Hudkins made the motion to allow for this purchase for the conference with a 2nd by Collins with all in favor.

Mayor White wanted to remind everyone that the city Pecan festival would be the first weekend of December and wanted everyone to attend.

January 22nd. will be the next council meeting.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 9:11 PM by Lanehart with a 2nd by Staton and a motion was passed with all in favor.

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Mayor Stephanie White

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Recorder/Treasure Clara J. Hughes