MINUTES OF A REGULAR CALLED MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
JOURDANTON, TEXAS AT THE JOURDANTON MUNICIPAL COMPLEX CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
AT 1604 HIGHWAY 97 E, JOURDANTON, TEXAS, 78026, ON
MONDAY FEBRUARY 5, 2024, AT 6:00 P.M.

Present:
Mayor Robert Williams
Mayor Pro Tem Chester Gonzales
Councilmember Pamela Manning
Councilmember Karen Pesek
Councilmember Raul Morales
Councilmember Katrina Wiatrek
City Manager Interim Debbie G. Molina
Secretary Interim Samantha Nicholson
City Attorneys: Richard Lindner

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Williams called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. Invocation done by Bradley Truax with Jourdanton First
Baptist Church

HEARING OF RESIDENTS

Henry Dominguez announced he is running for precinct 3 republic county commissioner.

Sherry Rankin advised she would like someone to investigate delinquent taxes, encourage the council to conduct more
townhall meetings, and a 5-year master plan.

CONSENT AGENDA

2.1 N/A

PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

3.1 N/A

ITEMS CONSIDERATION/DISCUSSION

4.1 Discussion and possible action to change the Regular Called Meeting from Monday,
February 19, 2024, to Tuesday, February 20, 2024. (Mayor Robert Williams)

Councilmember Pesek made a motion to change the Regular Called Meeting from Monday, February 19, 2024, to
Tuesday, February 20, 2024

Seconded by Councilmember Morales. Passed unanimously.

4.2 Discussion and possible action to appoint committee members for the Animal Control
Subcommittee (Mayor Robert Williams)

Councilmember Gonzales made a motion to appoint councilmember Pamela Manning, councilmember Katrina
Wiatrek, Henry Dominguez, & Dr. Collins to the Animal Control Subcommittee to review the Animal Control
Ordinance.

Seconded by Councilmember Morales. Passed unanimously.

6:14pm Recess - 6:18pm returned from recess.

4.3 Consideration and possible action on project selection for American Rescue Plan Act
(ARPA) funds that must be obligated through contract by December 31, 2024. (Interim
City Manager Debbie Molina and Briana Swingle (Gibbs),
Project Manager: ARP/GLO for Langford Community Management Services)
Langford Community Management representative, Anna Martin, filled in for Brianna Swingle. She addressed the council that the Joardonton Infrastructure Improvement Project 2020-2021 is a good program to apply the $1,092,573.67 funds received by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).

Councilmember Pesek made a motion to fund the drilling of the water well #4 at the old softball field for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) that must be obligated through contract by December 31, 2024.

Seconded by Councilmember Morales. Passed unanimously.

4.4 Discussion and possible action on adding standing sections on regular City Council meeting agendas including but not limited to “old business items” and/or “on-going items” (Mayor Pro Tem Chester Gonzales)

Councilmember Gonzales would like to postpone this until the city manager is hired.

4.5 Discussion and possible action on update on the job posting, evaluating, selecting and/or hiring process for the Interim and Permanent City Manager or use of city management placement company (Mayor Robert Williams - standing item until position filled)

The mayor presented to the council that we are waiting for background checks to come back from interviews. No motion was made at this time.

STAFF/BOARD REPORTS

5.1 Interim City Manager monthly report. (no action)
1. Public Notice - Reporting Violations are all reported timely.
2. Garbage Fee 2024 Waste Annual Rate will not be changing this year. Waiting until August 2024 to put out RFQs for 2025.
3. 2023 Street Project – Jan 10, 2024, final walk through and the project is completed.
4. ISO - Tony Tyrnak sent off the report we should have rate change in the coming months.

On going business –
AACOG - waiting to determine if the grant has been awarded, expected April 2024.
TxDOT 1. Sidewalk grant from the park to the did not get approved.
2. Sidewalk September 2024- RFQ with development starting in 2025.
Streetlights - developing a program for new lights around the city.
Comprehensive plan- Langford is going to present the next steps on possible options for getting a grant for a comprehensive plan at a future meeting.

Workshop- Animal Control Feb 29, 2024.

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

6.1 Discussion and possible action of social calendar of events and council general announcements/information (Mayor Robert A. Williams)

Councilmember Manning- February 25, 2024, Animal Control workshop at 6pm.

Councilmember Pesek - Chamber of Commerce benefit, chicken plate sale at the Church.

Mayor Pro tem Gonzales – March 23rd 2024 is the little league ball opening day. Would like to set up a community workday to get the sports complex ready for the event.

Interim Chief of Police Kaufman announced the Autism awareness / special needs event at the park towards the end of the month.

ADJOURN
A motion was made by Councilmember Morales and seconded by Councilmember Pesek to adjourn the meeting.

Mayor Williams adjourned the meeting at 7:14pm

Samantha Nicholson, Interim City Secretary
Robert A. Williams, Mayor