MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOURDANTON
1604 STATE HIGHWAY 97 EAST, JOURDANTON, TEXAS 78026
FEBRUARY 13, 2023 AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 6:00 P.M

1. Roll Call to Establish a Quorum:

Present:
Mayor Robert A. Williams
Mayor Pro Tem Chester Gonzales
Council Member Raul Morales
Council Member Karen Pesek
Council Member Norma Ortiz
Councilmember Patricia J. Elizabeth
Tyntrak-Daughtrey

Present:
City Manager Bobby J. Martinez
City Secretary Debbie Molina
Chief of Police Eric Kaiser
City Attorney Valerie Elizondo

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Williams called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m. Mr. Williams gave the invocation and the Pledges of Allegiance.

1.1 HEARING OF RESIDENTS

Citizens Tyson Bowcut, John Todd, Alana Granato, Halla Carter, Katrina Wiatrek, and Janice Jones expressed concerns and requested answer on their high water consumptions.

ITEMS CONSIDERATION/DISCUSSION

2.1 Report on City of Jourdanton Meter Replacement Program Presentation by Hydro Pro Solutions.

Daniel Trevino, a representative from Hydro Pro Solutions, distributor for the manufacture, told the Council that the city had installed radio read system meters in 2008-2009 with a 10-year replacement warranty. Mr. Trevino stated if the meter’s radio fails, the mechanical dial keeps picking up the consumption. He explained city staff had two options, 1) They can manually reread the meter monthly, or 2) an average can be made until the meter is swapped out. He said an agreement was signed on June 30, 2022, for the new meters to be installed.

2.2 Report on City of Jourdanton Meter Replacement Program Presentation by Accurate Meter Supply.

Accurate Meter Supply was awarded a proposal to install the new meters by the City Council May 16, 2022. Accurate Meter Supply was not present. City Manager Bobby J. Martinez informed the Council that subsequent swap files with route #7, #8, and #2 were identified by Finance Director Vanessa Alvarado to be in an incorrect format needed to transfer the correct information into the software. Mr. Martinez informed everyone that no penalties would be accrued for the January billings.

2.3 Report on City of Jourdanton Meter Replacement Program Presentation M &S Engineering

City Engineer Clarissa Parker informed the Council that there were 1665 meters installed to date.

2.4 Report on City of Jourdanton Meter Replacement Program Presentation Denton Navarro Rocha
Bernal & Zech. PC

City Attorney Valerie Elizondo advised the Council of the Constitutional statues of billing and averaging. She stated that the City of Jourdanton, Code of Ordinances, had the city’s billing fees.

2.5 Conduct a Town Hall meeting to hear citizen concerns regarding City of Jourdanton water utility bill increases associated with back billing, in accordance with PUC regulations and city
ordinances, for actual water usage recorded after replacement of the 10+ year-old water meters with Hydro Pro Solutions smart meters installed by Accurate Meter Supply.

The City Council held a Town Hall Meeting to hear numerous citizens' concerns regarding City of Jourdanton water utility bill increases associated with back billing.

ADJOURN

3.1 Adjourn.

A motion was made by Council Member Morales and seconded by Council Member Pesek to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Williams adjourned the meeting at 7:54 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Debbie G. Molina
Robert A. Williams