MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CALLED COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOURDANTON AT THE JOURDANTON MUNICIPAL COMPLEX COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 1604 HIGHWAY 97 E, JOURDANTON, TEXAS, 78026, ON FEBRUARY 21, 2023 AT 6:00 P.M.

Present:
Mayor Robert Williams
Mayor Pro Tem Chester Gonzales
Councilmember Norma Q. Ortiz
Councilmember Karen Pesek
Councilmember Raul Morales
Councilmember Patricia J. Elizabeth
Tymrak-Daughtrey

City Manager Bobby J. Martinez
Secretary Debbie G. Molina
Chief Eric Kaiser
City Attorney Valerie Elizondo

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Williams called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Pastor Wade Brand from the First Baptist Church gave the Invocation. Mayor Williams gave the Pledges of Allegiance.

1.1 HEARING OF RESIDENTS

Citizens John Todd, Alana Gronato, Halla Carter, Tyson Bowcut, and Katrina Wiatrek expressed frustration over high water consumption with unknown answers.

PRESENTATION

2.1 Mayor's Presentation of a Proclamation for the 2023 Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month.
Mayor Williams read a Proclamation for the 2023 Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Council Member Tymrak-Daughtrey requested for agenda items 3.1 to be removed from the consent agenda items. Mayor Williams approved Ms. Tymrak-Daughtrey's request.

DISCUSSION ITEMS/CONSIDERATION

3.1 Consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Jourdanton and the Jourdanton Independent School District for the lease of a vehicle for use by the assigned Jourdanton Police Department School Resource Officer.

Chief of Police Eric Kaiser presented an interlocal agreement between the City of Jourdanton and the Jourdanton Independent School District. Chief Kaiser informed the Council that the Jourdanton Police Department (JPD) School Resource Officer drives a vehicle that the City of Jourdanton leases from the school for $1 per year. The lease addresses a replacement vehicle for the JPD to use.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales and seconded by Council Member Ortiz authorizing the City Manager to enter into an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Jourdanton and the Jourdanton Independent School District for the lease of a vehicle for use by the assigned Jourdanton Police Department School Resource Officer. The motion passed unanimously.

4.1 Status Report: City of Jourdanton computer replacement program.

City Manager Bobby J. Martinez informed City Council of updates of computer purchase and of upgrades. Mr. Martinez informed the Council that City Hall, Jourdanton Police
4.2 Status Report: City of Jourdanton Meter Replacement Program.

Caleb Burson of Accurate Metering and Supply informed City Council of the status of the installation of the meters. The City Manager informed the Council that Accurate Metering installed 514 accounts. The accounts were processed correctly. Mr. Burson explained that the next phase had a decimal placed incorrectly affecting some of the meter readings. He informed the Council that 1702 meters had been installed to date. Accurate Metering and Supply hired to install 1800 meters.

4.3 Discussion and possible action to authorize the City Manager to issue a Request for Qualifications of vehicle towing services for the City of Jourdanton.

Chief of Police Eric Katzer informed the Council that he had initiated conversation last summer with the former City Manager and City Attorney about the need to have updated contracts with local towing companies as well as switching from a single towing provider to a rotation of all local companies that quality to be contractors of the City of Jourdanton.

A motion was made by Council Member Pesek and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales to authorize the City Manager to issue a Request for Qualifications of vehicle towing services for the City of Jourdanton. The motion passed unanimously.


Bond Counselor Andrew Friedman, Managing Director of Samco, informed the Council that the City is obligated to pay utility debt service through the utility system. Mr. Friedman stated if revenues are waived, it would cost the citizens and taxpayers of Jourdanton to gain the lost revenue through other revenues such as levying the property tax.

4.5 Appeal of the rejection of the following agenda from the February 21, 2023, agenda as authorized by the City of Jourdanton City Code Section 1.03.034 Submission of Agenda item would allow for Discussion and possible action regarding waiving any possible back billing of consumers for water usage for the previous twelve-month period and providing refunds to consumers for any possible overcharges for water usage for the previous 12 months period. If said appeal is granted by majority of the members of City Council present and qualified to vote, the item shall be heard.

A motion was made by Council Member Pesek and seconded by Council Member Morales to accept the appeal of rejection. The motion passed unanimously. Mayor Williams recused himself for personal matters.

After discussion was made, the information provided tabled the item agenda until March 20, 2023.

A motion was made by Council Member Tymrak-Daughtrey and seconded by Council Member Morales to table agenda item 4.5 until the regular called meeting on Monday, March 20, 2023. Council Members Tymrak-Daughtrey, Morales, Ortiz and Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales were in favor. Council Member Pesek was opposed. The motion passed.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS

(Information provided to City Council. No discussion nor council action expected or required)

5.1 Nueces River Authority
5.2 M & S Engineering
5.3 Police Department
5.4 Finance Department
The city manager reports were presented.

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

6.1 Discussion and possible action of social calendar of events.

Council Member Pesek informed everyone of the Jourdanton Chamber of Commerce annual BBQ on March 5, 2023, to be held at St Matthews Parish Hall starting at 11:00 a.m. Council Member Morales informed everyone of ongoing baseball tournament games held at Jourdanton ISD. Mayor Pro Tem Morales informed everyone that a Mobile Truck Blood Drive would be held Sunday, February 26, 2023, at the St. Matthews parking lot from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales also informed everyone that a “Fish Fry” will be held every Friday evening from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Brush Pick will be held on March 13-17th.

ADJOURN

7.1 Adjourn.

A motion was made by Council Member Morales and seconded by Council Member Pesek To adjourn.

Mayor Williams adjourned the meeting at 7:59 p.m.

Debbie G Molina, City Secretary

Robert A. Williams, Mayor