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**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF NEW DEAL, TEXAS
Monday, December 19, 2022—6:30 PM – City Hall**

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT

VISITORS: per list

Mayor Pro Tem John Salter called the meeting to order at 6:33pm.

1. Motion was made by Council Member Bucky Broadus approving the Resolution Declaring Duly Elected, second by Mayor Pro Tem John Salter, motion carried 2-0.
2. Gina Stockman was sworn in by City Secretary Brittney Moore for City Council Place 3.
3. No public comments.
4. The council discussed vacancies for Mayor and Place 1. City Secretary Brittney Moore informed the council that a special election would be required to fill the vacancies.
5. Nathan Kizer with the Lubbock Emergency Communication District discussed the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) regarding a secondary network tower site with the council. Council Member Bucky Broadus made a motion to approve the MOU with changes discussed with the city attorney, second by Council Member Gina Stockman, motion carried 3-0.
6. Motion was made by Council Member Bucky Broadus to postpone the request from Road Ranger regarding two additional fire hydrants for Economic Development review, second by Council Member Gina Stockman, motion carried 3-0.
7. Council Member Bucky Broadus made a motion to postpone approving the minutes due to lack of quorum from the meeting minutes, second by Council Member John Salter, motion carried 3-0.
8. City engineer Perry Evans explained the Preliminary Plan Review for New Deal ISD: Phase 1 – Bus Barn. Motion was made by Council Member Bucky Broadus to approve the Preliminary Plan Review, second by Council Member Gina Stockman, motion carried 3-0.

9. Motion was made by Council Member Bucky Broadus to postpone for further review by the city attorney, second by Council Member Gina Stockman, motion carried 3-0.
10. Council Member Bucky Broadus made a motion to not pay the invoice from Deerwood Construction for the Labor Day leak and to have City attorney Garrett Ferguson send a letter regarding the issue, second by Council Member Gina Stockman, motion carried 3-0.
11. Motion was made by Council Member Bucky Broadus to set the December council meeting for December 19th at 6:30pm, second by Council Member Gina Stockman, motion carried 3-0.
12. Council Member Gina Stockman made a motion to set Open House for December 19th from 4:00-6:30pm, second by Council Member Bucky Broadus, motion carried 3-0.
13. Council Member Gina Stockman made a motion to set the Christmas lighting contest for December 16th from 7:00-9:00pm, second by Council Member Bucky Broadus, motion carried 3-0.
14. Council Member Gina Stockman made a motion to have City Secretary Brittney Moore and Utility Billing Clerk Wendi Taylor choose residents for the family assistance program, second by Council Member Bucky Broadus, motion carried 3-0.
15. Jacob Blanco recapped the Economic Development Board meeting via Zoom. Mike Freyburger presented a proposal to the board regarding a bond to purchase land. Their next meeting will be December 6th at 7pm.
16. Jacob Blanco gave the Fire Department report via Zoom. There will be a retirement party at the fire station on December 16th at 6:30pm for Randy Teeter, Gary Ford, Thomas Galey Jr., and John Ford.
17. The finance recap and city secretary report were given by City Secretary Brittney Moore. Council Member Gina Stockman made a motion to pay the bills, second by Council Member Bucky Broadus, motion carried 3-0.
18. No one was present for the police report.
19. Public Works Superintendent Joe Ybarra gave the water/sewer department report. The council expressed their appreciation of his detailed report.
20. Council entered executive session per (1) Gov Code 551.071 Consultation with attorney (B) on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas (i.e., the ethical rules governing lawyers) clearly conflicts with the Open Meetings Act. This exception covers a broad range of legal matters, including contracts, and is not limited to pending or anticipated litigation and (2) Gov Code 551.074 Personnel matters (A) deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee, police and public works at 8:18pm.
21. Council returned to open session per Gov Code 551.071 and 551.074 at 9:34pm with Council Member Bucky Broadus making a motion to accept the Department of Labor findings and pay Caleb Darling and Michael Hobson, second by Council Member Gina Stockman, motion carried 3-0.

22. Motion was made by Council Member Bucky Broadus to adjourn, second by Council Member Gina Stockman, motion carried 3-0.

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