

**The Minutes of
Honeyville City Council
February 15, 2023, Special Meeting**

Mayor Bruce Nelson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present were Mayor Bruce Nelson, Councilmembers Ryan Adams, David Hougaard, Trevor Gardner and Dale Millsap. Kory Wilde was excused from this meeting.

Approximately 3 members of the public were present.

Employees present were: Brittany Chlarson, Clerk/Recorder
 Blair Perry, Treasurer
 Troy McNeely, Public Works

Bruce Nelson offered the invocation and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Conflict of Interest: None noted.

Action Items:

A. Spring Water Project - Highway 38 or 6900 N.:

The council discussed the possibility of changing water projects. They were concerned whether or not they would need to terminate the current contract with Newman's. In the contract it did not state that there was a penalty for canceling the contract.

Dale M asked about combining this physical year's budget with next year's budget to help meet some of the water project needs.

Blair P addressed budget questions and how funds can be moved from the general fund to the water fund by following a process. Currently a big bulk of the General Fund has been set aside for the remodel of the building. Grant money was also addressed.

Mayor Nelson stated that the waterline on 3600 W. is currently in a deficit and the water project on 6900 N. would help with this issue. He asked the city attorney Amy Hugie about building permits on 3600 W. where the waterline is deficient. She stated that the city could accept building applications but the city engineer would be the one to declare whether or not they could build there and what requirements need to be met. It was questioned where the Fire Marshal and County Building Inspector play into this.

Dale M questioned what was the highest priority to help make an informed decision.

Mayor Nelson stated that both projects are a priority. However, they can't be certain that by making the improvements suggested on 6900 N. that it will actually help with the water pressure on 3600 W. **Troy M** reported that there are lead joints on the 6900 N. waterline from the railroad tracks west. This is not part of the presented waterline improvement. The waterline on Highway 38 has leaks and lead joints which is why the council had decided to prioritize that project. This would also take the waterline from a 4" pipe to a 10" pipe.

Blair P stated that each time the city rebids a project there will be a large expense. There are engineering fees, bid fees, etc.

Ryan A felt that it was good practice to stick to an agreement. The city had previously determined that the Highway 38 project was a priority and that the council should uphold their decision and commitment.

Trevor G felt that both projects were a priority, but agreed that the city should stick with their commitment and then budget for the other project.

Mike Baldwin commented on behalf of the grocery store. He stated that Curtis with Rural Water would be willing to help create a water plan and get grants. **Mayor Nelson** will contact Rural Water and see what they can do to help the city.

David H stated that he felt that the tax money that would come in from the grocery store could help fund other water projects. He felt that if the city had the information of how deficient the water was on 3600 W. when they were prioritizing the water projects he probably would have prioritized the 3600 W. project over the Highway 38 project.

Trevor G brought up the benefits of having a grocery store vs. a housing development. A grocery store would bring in a revenue where as a housing development would not.

Bart Pali a member of the community asked that the council not push out the agricultural members of the community. And asked that they look at the effects this would have on the entire community.

There was further discussion on the pros and cons of this type of development. But the main concern isn't about development but rather that the waterline in that area is currently in a deficit.

The council was very conflicted with which direction to go.

DAVID HOUGAARD motioned to continue with the Highway 38 Water Project that has already been awarded. RYAN ADAMS seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED with Ryan Adams for, David Hougaard for, Trevor Gardner for and Dale Millsap for.

DALE MILLSAP motioned to adjourn at 7:46 p.m. DAVID HOUGAARD seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED with Ryan Adams for, David Hougaard for, Trevor Gardner for and Dale Millsap for.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

The foregoing minutes were taken and typed by Brittiny Chlarson.

I certify these minutes to be true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

ATTEST:

DATE APPROVED: 3/8/23





Brittiny Chlarson – Clerk/Recorder



Bruce Nelson - Mayor