

# MINUTES JULY 12 2017 P H AND REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

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TOWN OF MADISONVILLE

403 ST. FRANCIS STREET

PUBLIC HEARING

AND REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

JULY 12, 2017

7:00P.M.

## I. PUBLIC HEARING:

Call to order Mayor Pelloat – Mayor Pelloat called the Public Hearing to order.

Roll call Joyce Core – on roll call, the following were present: Mayor Pelloat, Councilmen Bounds, Hitzman, Haddox, Doran and Bouey.

A. Ordinance No. 143 Amending Code of Ordinances to Increase Annual Salary of Mayor – no comments from the Council. 1) Joey Mahon ask if the ordinance was advertised. Mayor Pelloat replied that they were introduced at the last meeting; a public hearing will be held then can be voted on. Mr. Mahon voiced his disagreement with the increase. 2) Mel Lamp 1124 Main St. - suggested the ordinance verbiage be advertised then have hearing. He stated it is a better way of letting people know what the ordinance says. Mr. Lamp voiced his opinion that raises should be for the next Mayor not the sitting Mayor and that he does not believe a town this size needs a full-time Mayor. Mayor Pelloat stated it had been verified by LMA that the increase was allowed.

B. Ordinance No. 144 Amending Code of Ordinances, Chapter 10 Article A Section 10.19 Building Permits, g Fill Regulations 7a – no comments.

C. Ordinance No. 145 Amending Code of Ordinances Chapter &, Streets, Sidewalks, Wharves and Public Ways Section 7.2 to add Section 7.2a – no comments.

D. Ordinance No. 146 Amending Code of Ordinances Chapter 10 Article A, Section 10.7 Districts Established to add (a) Lot Sizes – no comments.

E. Ordinance No. 147 Amending Code of Ordinance Chapter 10, Article A, Section 10.19 Building Permits – Mel Lamp asked that cash sale be added to the requirements. Jewell explained that a cash sale is accepted as a title or deed.

F. Ordinance No. 148 Amending Code of Ordinances Chapter 10 Article A, Section 10.10 A-Residence District Permitted Uses – no comments.

There being no further business, the public hearing was adjourned on motion of Councilman Haddox and seconded by Councilman Doran, and all were in favor.

## II. REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING:

Call meeting to order Mayor Pelloat – Mayor Pelloat called the meeting to order.

Roll Call Joyce Core – On roll call, the following were present: Mayor Pelloat, Councilmen Bounds, Hitzman, Haddox, Doran and Bouey.

Invocation – Councilman Haddox

Pledge –Councilman Bouey

1. Approval of June 14 2017 Minutes – the June 14, 2017 Minutes were approved on motion of Councilman Bouey and seconded by Councilman Hitzman, all were in favor.

2. Approval of May 2017 Financial Statements – the May 2017 Financial Statements were approved on motion of Councilman Hitzman and seconded by Councilman Haddox, all were in favor.

3. Public Comment Period: members of the audience will have three (3) minutes to make a statement or express a concern at the outset of the meeting. (Anyone having or expressing a concern tonight may or may not get an answer due to the fact that the council is hearing the concern for the first time. All statements will be considered and everyone will receive an answer in the near future). 1) Don Marshall-Tangipahoa Water District Board – Mr. Marshall reported that the filter system is on schedule, they have been delivered and they are cleaning out the tank so when it goes online the water will be clean and clear. He reported there was a structural fire over the 4th of July, which caused the water pressure to drop which caused the manganese to fall into the water. Mr. Marshall reported that the next day they started flushing the lines, but it took several days to clear up due to the low pressure. He reported that once the filter system is online it would be announced on web site, Facebook and through Ashely Rodrigue. 2) Alan Zaunbrecher introduced himself as a candidate for District Judge in St. Tammany and Washington Parishes. 3) Randy Hess, Fire Chief reported they will hopefully be breaking ground by the end of the month for the new station and that the

bid was awarded to Voelkel-McWilliams; he reported they now have 4000 gallon tanker and 75' ladder truck. 4) Elos Environmental – made a presentation where they would coordinate with the Corps of Engineers and Coastal Restoration Authority to receive grants and dredge the mouth of the Tchefuncte River. The spoilage would be placed around the lighthouse to help prevent erosion. 5) Joseph Furr inquired if there were any questions, etc. regarding the street/streetscape project that he had presented previously. Mayor Pelloat stated that the issue was not off the table. 6) Rich Smith-Coquille – announced there will be a public safety event at Coquille on July 29 2pm – 4 pm. 7) Mel Lamp asked if screening could be put up along Pine St. at the water station.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

#### 4. Adoption of the following Ordinances:

A. Ordinance No. 143 Amending Code of Ordinances to Increase Annual Salary of Mayor – the ordinance was adopted on motion of Councilman Doran and seconded by Councilman Haddox, all were in favor.

B. Ordinance No. 144 Amending Code of Ordinances, Chapter 10 Article A Section 10.19 Building Permits, g Fill Regulations 7a – the ordinance was adopted on motion of Councilman Bouey and seconded by Councilman Hitzman, all were in favor.

C. Ordinance No. 145 Amending Code of Ordinances Chapter 10, Streets, Sidewalks, Wharves and Public Ways Section 7.2 to add Section 7.2a – the ordinance was adopted on motion of Councilman Haddox and seconded by Councilman Bounds, all were in favor.

D. Ordinance No. 146 Amending Code of Ordinances Chapter 10 Article A Section 10.7 Districts Established to add (a) Lot Sizes – the ordinance was adopted on motion of Councilman Hitzman and seconded by Councilman Bouey, all were in favor.

E. Ordinance No. 147 Amending Code of Ordinance Chapter 10, Article A, Section 10.19 Building Permits – the ordinance was adopted on motion of Councilman Bouey and seconded by Councilman Doran, all were in favor.

F. Ordinance No. 148 Amending Code of Ordinances Chapter 10 Article A, Section 10.10 A-Residence District Permitted Uses – the ordinance was adopted on motion of Councilman Bouey and seconded by Councilman Bounds, all were in favor.

5. Keith Dennis – Krewe of Tchefuncte – Mr. Dennis requested to hold the Krewe of Tchefuncte parade on February 3, 2018 beginning at 1:00 and the route will be the same. The request to hold the Krewe of Tchefuncte parade February 3, 2018 was

approved on motion of Councilman Bouey and seconded by Councilman Doran, all were in favor.

6. Donald Stein – Home Grown Festival September 3, 2017 – Mr. Stein asked permission to hold the Home Grown Festival on the south end of the riverfront on Sunday, September 3, 2017. Permission was given on motion of Councilman Doran and seconded by Councilman Bounds, all were in favor.

7. Introduce Ordinances:

A. Ordinance amending Chapter 15 Crimes and Offenses, Section 15.12 (Permit Fees) – after being read the ordinance was introduced on motion of Councilman Bouey and seconded by Councilman Haddox, all were in favor.

8. Monthly Department reports:

Engineer – Joe Harman reported that bids had been opened on the Pine St. Parking Project on July 6, 2017. He reported the low bidder was RWB Contracting of Kentwood. Mayor Pelloat asked the Council to consider going with RWB at \$138,270 with Alternate # 1 of \$18,000, but thinks can do Alternate #2 at a lower cost. Councilman Bounds made a motion to accept the base bid from RWB, Councilman Doran seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported 22 citations were written, 17 boat launch tickets issued, 5 arrests, 2100 calls and 6631 patrol miles.

Maintenance – Kyle Matthews reported 19 new gas customers, had a trial run on the emergency preparedness plan and there was a lot of damage at the fishing piers and boat launch, which is now roped off. He reported the flagpole has been painted, the canon has been put back together and will be ready to paint soon, and the employee side parking lot is being prepared for gravel. In addition, A&Q Construction will be showing the work they do for cleaning and inspecting water tanks, and reported there may be discoloration, odor and low pressure when that work is done. It reported they want to get the work done before school starts.

Permits Department – Jewell Chatellier reported 4 new homes and 3 more in the planning stages; the boat storage facility got FEMA approval; and the fire department is ready to break ground.

A. Planning and Zoning report – Jewell reported that a request for a height variance of 4’6” was requested and the Planning and Zoning Commission agreed to a 1’6” variance. It was stated the request still stands for a variance of 4’6”. After further discussion, the matter was tabled.

Town Attorney – Mr. Danner reported the Town now owns the cemetery after having appeared in 22nd Judicial Court; reviewed ordinances; public records requests; reviewed contracts; complaints; mayor’s court; consult with the Mayor daily and meet with him once a week.

At this time, Mayor Pelloat announced an initial meeting of Friends of the Cemetery, which will be held on August 1, 2017 at 6:00 pm at the town hall.

9. Comments by Council – Councilman Haddox thanked everyone for attending.

10. Mayors’ report to Council – Mayor Pelloat presented a list of some accomplishments for the first year in office: Welcome to Madisonville sign restoration; privacy screen at water and sewer plants; Lake Road cameras; resurfacing of Mabel Dr., 5th St., 6th St., St. Paul, Cedar and Jahncke; widened Cedar St.; striped Cedar St.; St. Tammany St., Pine St. stop signs, and St. Mary No Parking; closed off Rampart St.; generator on Pine St. well; raised fuel tanks above BFE; installed 600’ of subsurface drainage; continuing installation of concrete levee on Lake Road; river front bumper boards; applied for CWEF, LGAP, Recreation Trails and Capital Outlay grants; 215 new gas installations; signed 5 new developments for gas (Silver Hill, Deer Crossing, Southern Oaks, Wingfield and Magnolia Mounds); uniformed all signs in town; agreement with Hunt Telecommunications; completed Silver Hill, Coquille, Joiner Rd. and Baham Rd. mains; replaced 6 piling on riverfront and piling caps; installed bridge rail and Lake Rd. pavilions; developed an Emergency Operations Plan for the Town of Madisonville; completed the dedication of the property and easement for Madison Ridge Subdivision; reviewed and improved on a number of ordinances in town; moved council meeting into the main part of the building creating a council chamber; installed a powered microphone and recording sound system in the council chamber and town hall; expropriation of the old cemetery on Main St.

11. Adjournment – there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned on motion of Councilman Bounds and seconded by Councilman Haddox, all were in favor.

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Joyce Core, Clerk