

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF PORT ALLEN, LOUISIANA

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2014

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Port Allen, Louisiana, met in Regular Session at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 8, 2014, in the Council Chambers at Port Allen City Hall.

Mayor Richard Lee called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and asked Terry Jones to lead the pledge of allegiance. Roll call vote resulted as follows:

Present: Ray Helen Lawrence, Garry Hubble, Brandon Brown, R.J. Loupe, Jr., Hugh Riviere

Absent: None

Mr. Garry Hubble moved to amend the date on the posted agenda to reflect that Halloween Trick or Treat hours will be held on Friday, October 31, 2014 from 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Mrs. Ray Helen Lawrence seconded the motion and Mayor Lee asked if there was any opposition from the audience to this amendment. There was none. A roll call vote resulted as follows: YEAS: Brown, Hubble, Lawrence, Loupe, Riviere. NAYS: None. The motion carried and official Agenda was amended to reflect this change.

Mr. Hugh Riviere moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 10, 2014. Mr. Garry Hubble seconded the motion. Mayor Lee asked if there was any opposition. There was none and the motion carried by unanimous consent of the members present.

Mayor Lee read aloud the procedure for public participation at the Regular Meetings of the Port Allen City Council in accordance with state statutes and local ordinances. No one asked to be heard.

Mr. Gary Landrieu, Candidate for Congress in the 6th Congressional District was not present, so Mayor Lee asked the Council to pass the agenda item until the end of the meeting. No further action was taken.

Mr. R. J. Loupe, Jr. moved to adopt a formal Resolution supporting the renewal of ad valorem taxes for the West Baton Rouge Parish Council's Library tax millage, Recreation tax millage, and Drainage tax millage which will all appear on the November 4th ballot for consideration. Mrs. Ray Helen Lawrence seconded the motion. Mayor Lee asked if there was any opposition. There was none and motion carried by unanimous consent of the members present.

Mayor Lee advised the City Council that the City had received several applicants for the vacant office clerk position and the number had been narrowed down to 11 individuals who would be interviewed by the Mayor, the Chairman of the Personnel Committee, and several administrative staff members. Mayor stated that once the final selection is made, he would present the details to the City Council.

Mrs. Ray Helen Lawrence moved to authorize Mayor Lee to advertise and accept bids to cap and secure the 12th Street Water Well in accordance with state regulations. Mr. R.J. Loupe, Jr.

seconded the motion. Mayor Lee asked if there was any opposition. There was none. A roll call vote resulted as follows: YEAS: Brown, Hubble, Lawrence, Loupe, Riviere. NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Mr. R.J. Loupe, Jr. moved to introduce an ordinance to amend the FY 2014-2015 budgets of the City's General Fund and Water and Gas Fund to cover costs associated with two sidewalks, an overhaul of the City's outdated zoning ordinances, and the capping and securing of the 12th Street Water Well. Mr. Brandon Brown seconded the motion. Mayor Lee asked if there was any opposition. There was none. A roll call vote resulted as follows: YEAS: Brown, Hubble, Lawrence, Loupe, Riviere. NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Mr. Hugh Riviere provided information to other members of the City Council regarding the status of the property located at 152 Atchafalaya. Mr. Hugh Riviere asked that the property located at 307 Atchafalaya be set for condemnation proceedings at the November regular meeting of the City Council.

Mr. R.J. Loupe, Jr. moved to open the sealed bids for surplus city equipment and approval of the highest bid. Mr. Hugh Riviere seconded the motion. Mayor Lee asked if there was any opposition. There was none. A roll call vote resulted as follows: YEAS: Brown, Hubble, Lawrence, Loupe, Riviere. NAYS: None. The motion carried.

City Attorney Joseph stated there were no condemnation proceedings pending.

Mr. Adrian Genre stated that there were no alcoholic beverage permit requests pending.

Announcements: Halloween Trick or Treat hours will be held on Friday, October, 31, 2014 from 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Brusly will hold their annual Feast on the Levee on Sunday, October 26th. The 10th Annual Veterans on Parade will be held in the City of Port Allen on November 9th at 1:30 p.m. Mayor Lee will be awarding trophies for the best home decorations and the best business float decorations. The WBR Convention and Visitor's Bureau is sponsoring a "Fill the Float" event to provide needed supplies for our troops. City Hall is a location to drop off items to put in the packages to be sent to them. A Youth Empowerment Walk will be held in the City of Port Allen on October 18, 2014. The annual Health and Wellness Day will be held on Saturday, November 1, 2014 at Louisiana Urgent Care from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. at their facility located at 4451 Highway 1, South. On November 7th, Southern University will recognize Ledell Woods at the Belle of Baton Rouge Atrium.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mr. R.J. Loupe, Jr. moved to adjourn. Mr. Hugh Riviere seconded the motion. The motion carried without objection and the meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

s/ Richard N. Lee, III _____

Richard N. Lee, III, Mayor

s/ Audrey A. McCain _____

Audrey A. McCain, City Clerk