

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY
COUNCIL
CITY OF PORT ALLEN, LOUISIANA
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2022**

The Mayor and the City Council of the City of Port Allen, Louisiana met in regular session on Wednesday, September 14, 2022, in the Council Chambers of Port Allen City Hall.

Mayor Lee called the meeting to order at 5:36 PM. The pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Tony Arikol. Council members Present were: Mr. Brown, Mrs. Gordon, Mr. Hubble, Mrs. Lacy and Mr. Riviere. Absent: None

A motion was made by Mr. Riviere and seconded by Mrs. Gordon to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 10, 2022. The motion carried by unanimous consent of the members present.

The presentation by Mrs. Julie Mayeaux was rescheduled until next month because of a scheduling conflict.

A motion was made by Mr. Brown and seconded by Mrs. Gordon to authorize Mayor Lee to approve the use of ARPA funds in the amount of \$395,358.00 for the Waste Water Treatment pump station electrical modifications. A roll call vote was as follows: Yeas; Mr. Brown, Mrs. Gordon, Mr. Hubble, Mrs. Lacy, Mr. Riviere: Nays; none. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Riviere and seconded by Mr. Brown to award the contract for the Waste Water Treatment Pump station electrical modifications PEC project NO. 11642.01 to the lowest bidder: McLeod Electric, LLC of Baton Rouge in the amount of the \$395,358.00. A roll call vote was as follows: Yeas, Mr. Brown, Mrs. Gordon, Mr. Hubble, Mrs. Lacy, Mr. Riviere; Nays; None. Motion Passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Brown and seconded by Mrs. Gordon to authorize Mayor Lee to provide financial assistance up to \$3,000.00 to the Justice for Fatrell Committee for their annual "Stop the Violence" parade and fest to be held on October 15, 2022. A roll call vote was as follows; Yeas; Mr. Brown, Mrs. Gordon, Mr. Hubble, Mr. Riviere: Nays, none: Abstain; Mrs. Lacy. Motion passed.

Representatives from Republic Services addressed issues presented by council members and concerned citizens. An effort to improve services was promised.

A public hearing was held to discuss a proposed amendment in the general fund for the Roads and Drainage Capital outlay line item for equipment to increase the amount budgeted for the purchase of two (2) new lawnmowers by \$4,100.00 from \$16,000.00 to \$20,100.00. No one present commented. The Public Hearing was closed.

A motion was made by Mr. Riviere and seconded by Mrs. Lacy to approve a budget amendment in the General Fund for the Roads and Drainage Capital Outlay line item for equipment to increase the amount budgeted for the purchase of two new lawnmowers by \$4,100.00 from \$16,000.00 to \$20,100.00. A roll call vote was as follows: Yeas: Mr. Brown, Mrs. Gordon, Mr. Hubble, Mrs. Lacy, Mr. Riviere: Nays; None. Abstain; none. Motion passed.

A public hearing was held to discuss a proposed amendment in the General Fund, Water & Gas Fund and Sewer Fund in the total amount of \$5,100.00 for the purchase of a new ice machine to be used by all city of Port Allen departments. No one present commented. The Public Hearing was closed.

A motion was made by Mrs. Lacy and seconded by Mr. Riviere to approve an amendment in the General Fund, Water & Gas Fund and Sewer Fund in the total amount of \$5,100.00 for the purchase of a new ice machine to be used by all city departments. A roll call vote was as follows: Yeas; Mr. Brown, Mrs. Gordon, Mr. Hubble, Mrs. Lacy, Mr. Riviere: Nays; none: abstain; none. Motion passed.

A public hearing was held to discuss a resolution setting the millage rates for the tax year 2022 for all property subject to taxation within the city of Port Allen in the following manner:

General Alimony: 7.18 mills

Police Department: 5.02 mills

No one commented. The Public Hearing was closed.

A motion was made by Mr. Riviere and seconded by Mrs. Lacy to approve a resolution setting the millage rates for the tax year 2022 for all property subject to taxation within the city of Port Allen in the following manner: General Alimony 7.18 mills: Police Department: 5.02 mills. A roll call vote was as follows: Yeas; Mr. Brown, Mrs. Gordon, Mr. Hubble, Mrs. Lacy, Mr. Riviere: Nays; none: Abstain; none. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Mrs. Lacy and seconded by Mr. Brown to introduce an ordinance providing for revision of section of 10-1 of chapter 10 of the Port Allen Code of ordinances entitled "Sale, Consumption in Public Prohibited, Exceptions" for the purpose of allowing for the sale of alcoholic beverages from a designated walk-up window of property licensed establishments. A roll call vote was as follows: Yeas: Mr. Brown, Mrs. Gordon, Mr. Hubble, Mrs. Lacy, Mr. Riviere: Nays; none: Abstain; none. Motion passed.

There were no condemnation proceedings.

A Motion was made by Mr. Riviere and seconded by Mr. Brown to approve the issuance of an alcoholic and beverage permit to Paul Mladenka, DBA Cou-Yon's Cajun BBQ located at 470 N. Alexander Ave., Port Allen, La 70767. A roll call vote was as follows: Yeas; Mr. Brown, Mrs. Gordon, Mr. Hubble, Mrs. Lacy, Mr. Riviere: Nays; none: Abstain; none. Motion Passed

Announcements:

- Health Fair sponsored by Kingdon Life church will be held at Cohn Elementary School on September 24, 2022 from 10:00 am until 2:00 PM.
- Sugar Fest sponsored by the West Baton Rouge Parish Museum will be held on Sunday, October 2, 2022 on the Museum grounds from 11:00 am until 4:00 PM
- A Fall fest sponsored by Council woman Clerice Lacy will be held on Sunday, October 2, 2022 at Williams and Lee Park from 1:00 PM until 6:00 PM
- DPW employees will return to their regular schedule from 7:00 am until 4:00 PM
- Dr. Kirk Russet addressed the council announcing his candidacy for Senate District 17.

A motion was made by Mr. Riviere and seconded by Mr. Brown to adjourn the meeting. Meeting was adjourned at 6:33 PM.

a/Richard N. Lee, III, Mayor

a/Rose A. Roche', Municipal Clerk