



MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, JUNE 21, 2010 6:00PM  
CARENCRO CITY HALL  
210 EAST ST. PETER STREET  
CARENCRO, LOUISIANA

Mayor Glenn L. Brasseaux called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Easton Bourgeois, an attendee led the Pledge of Allegiance in French. Councilwoman Kim Guidry led the Pledge of Allegiance in English which was followed by a moment of silent prayer. Mayor Brasseaux invited Mr. Bourgeois to attend any future council meetings to recite the Pledge of Allegiance in French.

Attendance: Council Members J. L. Richard, L.J. Boudreaux, Antoine Babineaux, Allen "Coach" Conque and Kim Guidry

Mayor Brasseaux asked that the council make a motion to add to the agenda the following resolution:

A Resolution of the Carencro City Council granting authority to Mayor Glenn L. Brasseaux to sign and submit all necessary documents and appoint an engineer for the Hurricane Gustav and Ike Municipalities Infrastructure Program.

Councilman Allen Conque made a motion to add the resolution to the agenda; seconded by Councilman J. L. Richard; motion was approved.

Announcements made by Mayor Brasseaux included the following:

\*Mayor Brasseaux recognized LCG Chairman Jay Castille who attends most of our meetings.

\*Mayor Brasseaux recognized Mr. Javiene Zenon from Katy, Texas who is visiting with his grandmother who lives in Carencro on Malapart Road. Javiene is a close friend of Councilman Allen Conque and has shown an interest in politics. Javiene is an honor student attending McDonald Junior High in Katy, Texas.

\*Mayor Brasseaux recognized Attorney Jeanne Laborde. Mrs. Laborde is currently practicing law in Lafayette. She is seeking election for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals in the October 2, 2010 election.

\*Mayor Brasseaux informed the council and members of the audience about the Senate Concurrent Resolution #73 regarding the National Day of Prayer. The Senators presented Resolution #73 to the Mayor and the City of Carencro and commended the Mayor and the Citizens of Carencro for continuing with the National Day of Prayer. This event was held on May 6, 2010 at the Carencro Community Center despite the court ruling and pressure from forces outside of this state, particularly the Freedom From Religion Foundation, which urged the Mayor to immediately cancel the event.

\*Mayor Brasseaux recognized Carencro Police Officer Corporal Troy Trahan. Cpl. Trahan received a phone call from the Terrebonne Parish Sheriff's Office asking about a German shepherd puppy for Derick Lebry, a 10 year old from Centerville, La. born with multiple defects affecting his heart. Derick's dream is to become a K-9 officer. Upon hearing the young boy's story, Cpl. Trahan who breeds German shepherds donated the puppy to Derick through "Cops Who Care" a wish granting organization for children. The Mayor and Council commended Cpl. Trahan for his generosity which shows that his actions reflect in a positive way toward the Carencro community.

\*Mayor Brasseaux recognized Mr. Lee Verret representing the Carencro Business Association (CBA) and Mrs. Annette Samec, principal at Carencro High School. Mr. Verret, on behalf of the CBA was present to honor all 4.0 principal's honor roll students from Carencro High School. The following students were presented with a proclamation, a city pin and a check from the Carencro Business Association: 9<sup>th</sup> graders, Beth Bearb and Brittney Louviere; 10<sup>th</sup> grader, Megan Clay; 11<sup>th</sup> graders, Lucas Daigle, Mariah Hukins, Nicholas Latiolais, and Lisa Patel; 12<sup>th</sup> graders Garrett Darbonne and Haley Gibson who also qualified all four years of high school. The Mayor and Council extended congratulations to all the students for their hard work.

Councilman L.J. Boudreaux made a motion to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting of the Carencro City Council on May 17, 2010; seconded by Councilman Antoine Babineaux; motion was approved.

The Mayor then asked for any questions or comments concerning the departments' monthly reports with there being none.

#### INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCE:

Ordinance No. 2010-005: An Ordinance of the Carencro City Council adopting an adjusted millage rate of 3.96 mills to be levied upon the dollar of the assessed valuation of all property subject to ad valorem taxation within the City of Carencro, Parish of Lafayette for the year 2010 for the purpose of raising revenue.

Councilman Antoine Babineaux made a motion to introduce Ordinance No. 2010-005; seconded by Councilman Allen Conque; motion was approved.

Ordinance No. 2010-006: An Ordinance of the Carencro City Council increasing the millage rate, but not in excess of the prior year's maximum rate on all taxable property

shown on the official assessment roll for the year 2010, and when collected, the revenues from said taxes shall be used only for the specific purposes for which said taxes have been levied.

Councilman J.L. Richard made a motion to introduce Ordinance No. 2010-006; seconded by Councilman Antoine Babineaux; motion was approved.

Ordinance No. 2010-007: An Ordinance of the Carencro City Council amending the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 78, Article 1, General, adding a new Section 78-4 (a) and (b) prohibiting the use of any equipment or device on the premises of any customer which would result in the theft of city utilities.

Councilman Antoine Babineaux made a motion to introduce Ordinance No. 2010-007; seconded by Councilman L.J. Boudreaux; motion was approved.

Ordinance No. 2010-008: An Ordinance of the Carencro City Council authorizing amendment of the contract between Parks and Recreation Commission of Carencro, Inc. (Commission) and the City of Carencro to eliminate the Commission's lease payment obligation.

Councilman L.J. Boudreaux made a motion to introduce Ordinance No. 2010-008; seconded by J. L. Richard; motion was approved.

PUBLIC HEARING:

FINAL ADOPTION:

Mayor Brasseaux declared a public hearing for consideration of adopting the following ordinance:

Ordinance No. 2010-004: An Ordinance of the Carencro City Council amending the Code of Ordinances, Article III, Section 74, adding a new paragraph Section 74-77 (a) thru (f) restricted area of parking spaces for handicapped persons.

Mayor Brasseaux called for questions from the Council and the audience. There being none it was moved by Councilwoman Kim Guidry to final adopt Ordinance No. 2010-004; seconded by Councilman Antoine Babineaux; motion was approved.

RESOLUTION:

A Resolution of the Carencro City Council authorizing the submittal of an application for the Municipal Infrastructure Program (MIP) for Community Development Block Grant Funds.

Motion was made by Councilman L.J. Boudreaux to approve this resolution; seconded by Councilman J. L. Richard; motion was approved.

A Resolution of the Carencro City Council certifying that the activities for which CDBG-DR Funds are being requested are designed to alleviate existing conditions which pose a serious and immediate threat to the health and welfare of the community.

Motion was made by Councilman Allen Conque to approve this resolution; seconded by Councilman Antoine Babineaux; motion was approved.

A Resolution of the Carencro City Council requesting President Barack H. Obama to rescind the six-month drilling moratorium.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Kim Guidry to approve this resolution; seconded by L.J. Boudreaux; motion was approved.

A Resolution of the Carencro City Council granting the authority to Mayor Glenn L. Brasseaux to sign and submit all necessary documents and appoint an engineer for the Hurricane Gustav and Ike Municipalities Infrastructure Program.

Motion was made by Councilman Antoine Babineaux to approve this resolution; seconded by J. L. Richard; motion was approved.

#### DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Councilwoman Kim Guidry made a motion to reappoint the Daily Advertiser as the Official Municipal Journal for the City of Carencro from June 2010 thru June 2011; seconded by Councilman Allen Conque; motion was approved.

Mayor Brasseaux informed the Council that the parking lot at the Community Center needs some seal coating repair work. City Engineer Glenn McCall did detailed one company who quoted a price of \$22,921.00, but he recommends more information. Mayor Brasseaux then asked the council to grant him authority to accept a bid to repair the parking lot with said authority not to exceed the quote of \$22,921.00.

Councilman J. L. Richard granted the Mayor authority to accept a bid for repairs on the Community Center parking lot up to \$22,921.00; seconded by L.J. Boudreaux; motion was approved.

Discuss items in the City's building requested by Mr. Luke Coussan.

Motion was made to table this discussion by Councilman L.J. Boudreaux; seconded by Councilwoman Kim Guidry; motion was approved.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mr. Easton Bourgeois addressed the council about the Ordinance that was passed at the May 17, 2010 council meeting regarding riding horses on the streets. The audience consisted of many horsemen some of which do not reside in Carencro and all in opposition of this ordinance. Councilman L.J. Boudreaux informed the audience why the council passed this ordinance to protect the citizens from horse riders that have no respect towards the home owners and their properties and to protect city property such as the new

sidewalk completed this year. The council was informed by this group of horsemen that a state law was already in effect protecting their right to ride horses on public streets. At this time, City Attorney Jerry Mallet informed the Mayor and Council that there is a state law which states R.S. 32:22 “Every person riding an animal or driving any animal-drawn vehicle upon a roadway shall be granted all of the rights and be subject to all of the duties applicable to the driver of a vehicle by this Chapter, except those provisions which by their very nature can have no application.” In light of the state law, City Manager Lloyd Rochon made a recommendation for the council to rescind Ordinance No. 2010-003; arrange a meeting with several horsemen. Councilwoman Kim Guidry, Councilman L.J. Boudreaux along with the City Manger, City Attorney and Mayor Brasseaux will meet with those horsemen who wish to voice their suggestions. The City Council will then present a new ordinance which will protect the citizens of Carencro without infringing on anyone’s rights.

Councilman L.J. Boudreaux made a motion to rescind the implementation of Ordinance No. 2010-003; seconded by Councilwoman Kim Guidry; motion was approved.

Mayor Brasseaux then recognized the audience for questions and comments. With there being none, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gwen Gravouia, CMC  
Certified Municipal Clerk  
City of Carencro