



MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 19, 2019 6:00 PM
CARENCRO CITY HALL
210 E. ST. PETER ST.
CARENCRO, LOUISIANA

Mayor Glenn L. Brasseaux called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Councilmember Alfred Sinegal led the Pledge of Allegiance. Following the pledge Mayor Brasseaux asked for a moment of silence for our military service personnel, along with our veterans and their families who have served and for those who continue to serve our country defending our freedoms. Mayor Brasseaux asked that we offer our prayers for former Governor Kathleen Blanco who passed away on Sunday, August 18, 2019 at the St. Joseph Carpenter House in Lafayette, La.

Attendance: Councilmembers Jordan Arceneaux, Antoine Babineaux, Danielle Capritto, Kim Guidry, and Alfred Sinegal

Absent: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor Brasseaux announced that the millage ordinance will be introduced at tonight's meeting and will be up for final adoption at the regular meeting to be held Monday, September 16, 2019. There has been no change in the millage rate from last year which is 4.60.

Mayor Brasseaux informed the public that the recent LMA Conference held in Monroe La. the City of Carencro was awarded first place in the Community Achievement Award for Outstanding Community Improvement for the Hector Connolly Water Plant Project. Mayor Brasseaux extended a special thank you to the following city employees: Buster Broussard, Don Chauvin, Lisa Meche and the City Engineer, Luke Hebert for the outstanding work on this project.

Mayor Brasseaux recognized several candidates for the upcoming election to be held on October 12, 2019.

Ms. Carlee- Alm-Labar, candidate for Lafayette Mayor/President commented on her candidacy.

Mr. Josh Guillory, candidate for Lafayette Mayor/President commented on his candidacy.

State Representative Julie Emerson announced that she is seeking re-election for State Representative, District 39.

Senator Boudreaux informed the council and public that on the October 12, 2019 election ballot that voters' approval is needed to rededicate \$10M from the library reserve fund dedicating \$2M to parks and recreation and \$8M for drainage. It is a onetime rededication of excess funds and NOT an increase in taxes. The remaining \$18M in the library reserve fund will sufficiently support all the libraries in Lafayette Parish.

Senator Boudreaux announced that he is seeking re-election for Senator, District 24.

Mayor Brasseaux congratulated City Manager Don Chauvin on his ASFPM Floodplain Manager Certification. This certification is granted to those professionals who meet the

requirements and complete a comprehensive examination on the programs and standards to reduce flood losses in the nation. And he did it on the first try! He was congratulated by all.

GUESTS: Mayor Brasseaux recognized the following guest:

****Brittany Deal, LEDA**

PROCLAMATION: None

Councilmember Babineaux motioned to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting of the Carencro City Council on July 15, 2019; seconded by Councilmember Guidry; motion approved.

Councilmember Guidry motioned to adopt the minutes of the special meeting of the Carencro City Council on July 22, 2019; seconded by Councilmember Sinegal; motion approved.

Councilmember Arceneaux motioned to approve the financial reports; seconded by Councilmember Capritto; motion approved.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments regarding the department's monthly reports.

Police Chief Anderson gave an update on the active shooter training stating that the police department is 98% complete on the threat assessment training and all schools are in great shape with cameras.

Mayor Brasseaux commended Police Chief David Anderson and Fire Chief David Mouton on an excellent job performance for Hurricane Barry and how well the City of Carencro was prepared. Chief Anderson also noted that Lafayette Parish School Board offered school buses for transportation purposes of relocating evacuees to a certified shelter. Mayor Brasseaux explained that the Carencro Community Center is not a shelter because it is not certified to house evacuees and other emergencies that may apply. Mayor Brasseaux publicly thanked the public works and city hall staff for their part in preparing for the storm as well as afterwards.

Fire Chief David Mouton informed the council and public that he attended the August 8th LCG budget meeting where the parish fire budgets are reviewed. Councilman Kenneth Boudreaux made a motion to remove all funding to Carencro, Scott, Duson, Milton, Broussard, Youngsville and Judice fire departments for the fiscal year 2019-20. The motion did receive an objection and will be voted on at budget wrap up, Chief Mouton will keep everyone informed.

Mayor Brasseaux reminded everyone about the upcoming "Glo in the Cro" Balloon Fest event to be held on August 30 & 31 at Pelican Park, Mayor Brasseaux encouraged everyone to come out and support this event.

UPDATES: City Manager Don Chauvin gave the following updates:

Andre Street Bridge – Bid opening occurred on July 11, 2019. The low bidder was Southern Constructors of New Iberia in the amount of \$748,482.00. The pre-construction meeting was held on Wednesday, August 21, 2019.

Andre Street Drainage – Approximately 85% of construction is complete. Contractor has resumed installation of the concrete lining however rain has caused a delay.

Hector Connolly Water Plant – Project is 89% complete with 279 out of 365 working days used as of July 31, 2019. Drainage work is underway with a few minor painting issues.

Historic House/ Welcome Center- Steven Ortego decided to split the project into 2 phases. Phase 1 will be the restoration which requires specialized craftsmen and Phase 2 is the restrooms and parking lot which can be accomplished by traditional contractors.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 2019-014: A resolution requesting financial assistance from the State of Louisiana under the fiscal year 2019-2020 Local Government Assistance Program and Community Water Enrichment Fund Program.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council and public. Councilmember Babineaux made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-014; seconded by Councilmember Guidry; motion approved.

Resolution No. 2019-015: A resolution of the Carencro City council amending the 2018/2019 general fund operating budget by providing an additional \$32,000.00 to the fire department auto oil and repair/maintenance line item.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council and public. Councilmember Guidry made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-015; seconded by Councilmember Sinegal; motion approved.

Resolution No. 2019-016: A resolution of the Carencro City Council authorizing Mayor Glenn L. Brasseaux to execute a cooperative endeavor agreement between the City of Carencro and the State of Louisiana, capital outlay projects act 20 of 2019 to request financial assistance for wastewater and the city infrastructure flood damages, planning and construction for the purpose of reducing flood damages and city infrastructure; providing for the necessary documentation of said project; and providing for other related matters in connection therewith.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council and public. Councilmember Babineaux made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-016; seconded by Councilmember Sinegal; motion approved.

Resolution No. 2019-017: A resolution of the Carencro City Council authorizing Mayor Glenn L. Brasseaux to execute a cooperative endeavor agreement between the city of Carencro and the State of Louisiana, capital outlay projects act 20 of 2019 to request financial assistance for Arceneaux road drainage improvements, to include site work, culverting, planning and construction; providing for the necessary documentation of said project; and providing for other related matters in connection therewith.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council and public. Councilmember Guidry made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-017; seconded by Councilmember Capritto; motion approved.

Resolution No. 2019-018: A resolution of the Carencro City Council authorizing Mayor Glenn L. Brasseaux to execute a cooperative endeavor agreement between the city of Carencro and the State of Louisiana, capital outlay projects act 20 of 2019 to request financial assistance for the city wide water main rehabilitation project to include planning and improvements; providing for the necessary documentation of said project; and providing for other related matters in connection therewith.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council and public. Councilmember Babineaux made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-018; seconded by Councilmember Guidry; motion approved.

Resolution No. 2019-019: A resolution of the Carencro City Council authorizing Mayor Glenn L. Brasseaux to execute a cooperative endeavor agreement between the city of Carencro and the state of Louisiana, capital outlay projects act 20 of 2019 to request financial assistance for the drainage and utilities, planning and construction project to include planning and improvements; providing for the necessary documentation of said project; and providing for other related matters in connection therewith.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council and public. Councilmember Sinegal made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-019; seconded by Councilmember Guidry; motion approved.

Resolution No. 2019-020: A resolution of the Carencro City Council authorizing Mayor Glenn L. Brasseaux to proceed with the construction of the 2019 asphalt overlay project including authorization for the design, advertising for bids and any other action deemed necessary for the completion of this project.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council and public. Councilmember Guidry made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-020; seconded by Councilmember Babineaux; motion approved.

INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 2019-005: An ordinance of the Carencro City Council adopting a millage rate for the tax year of 2019 on all taxable property shown on the official assessment roll of the City of Carencro.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council and public. Councilmember Guidry made a motion to introduce Ordinance No. 2019-005; seconded by Councilmember Capritto; motion approved.

PUBLIC HEARING:

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL ADOPTION:

Ordinance No. 2019-004: An ordinance of the Carencro City Council amending the Carencro code of ordinances regarding the permit fee schedule.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council and public. Councilmember Babineaux made a motion to final adopt Ordinance No. 2019-004; seconded by Councilmember Sinegal; Councilmember Arceneaux motioned to table Ordinance No. 2019-004 to the September meeting, no second; Nay vote by Councilmember Arceneaux; motion approved.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Wisteria Bend Subdivision- Ditch Cleaning:

Ms. Iva Johnston residing at 514 Wisteria Bend approached the Mayor and council concerning her home flooding on June 6, 2019. Ms. Johnston is asking the city to clean the ditches in Wisteria Bend Subdivision up to the ditches on Prejean Road.

Mrs. Nella Briscoe residing at 215 Wisteria Bend approached the Mayor and council with her concerns of flooding. Mrs. Briscoe asked the city to clean and remove debris from the ditches in front of the apartments on Prejean Road.

Mayor Brasseaux did inform Mrs. Briscoe that the ditches on Prejean Road cannot be dug any deeper due to the city's utilities lines at the bottom of the ditches.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council and public. Councilmember Sinegal made a motion to authorize Wisteria Bend Subdivision ditch cleaning; seconded by Councilmember Guidry; motion approved.

Councilmember Babineaux made a motion to authorize Mayor Brasseaux to proceed with getting prices for tree removal on Prejean Road ditches; seconded by Councilmember Capritto; motion approved.

DISCUSSIONS:

Ditch Cleaning- Prejean Subdivision:

Mayor Brasseaux explained the drain from Clayton St. to Walter Drive goes directly into a resident's back yard causing flooding. Another issue is Beau Sejour flooding due to silted ditches on Rampart stating both sides need cleaning. Notifications will be mailed to the residents in Prejean Subdivision before any work begins.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council and public. Councilmember Babineaux made a motion to authorize ditch cleaning in Prejean Subdivision; seconded by Councilmember Guidry; motion approved.

Mr. Norman Barashick residing at 127 Luxford Way approached the council inquiring about the progress of the drainage issues in Woodland Trail. Mr. Barashick believes there is a major deficiency in the retention pond. He has concerns with the flooding on the corner of N. University and St. Peter St.

City Engineer Luke Hebert responded to Mr. Barashick stating that Southern Lifestyles Development had drones flown for data collection. Luke stated that he has reached out to SLD several times to review the data collection and plan but they have not responded.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council and public. Councilmember Arceneaux made a motion to extend the response deadline from Southern Lifestyle Development until Monday, August 26, 2019, upon reaching this deadline a demand letter from city attorney Jerry Mallet will be composed; seconded by Councilmember Capritto; motion approved.

Ms. Barbara Citizen residing at 121 Luxford Way approached the council asking what can be done with debris from the hurricane, stated she has contacted Southern Lifestyles Development but they have not responded to her.

Mayor Brasseaux informed Ms. Citizen that the City of Carencro workers could not go on private property to pick up the debris. Mayor Brasseaux encouraged her to continue to call and email Southern Lifestyles Development.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for a motion to request DOTD to do a study on the drainage issues on Prejean Road to N. University.

Councilmember Guidry motioned to request a DOTD study on N. University drainage issues; seconded by Councilmember Sinegal; motion approved.

Discussion on trash dumpster and noise regulations:

Councilmember Guidry had several complaints about business dumpsters and the noise due to these dumpster trucks picking up during early morning hours.

Mayor Brasseaux would like to get with other municipalities about working on a new noise ordinance that would benefit everyone.

Mayor Brasseaux also asked Police Chief David Anderson to get with other departments in reference to noise ordinances.

Mayor Brasseaux complimented Mr. Tommy Thibodeaux with Pelican Waste on the debris pick up stating that since the storm complaints are non-existent. Mr. Thibodeaux informed the Mayor and council that Pelican Waste has purchased an additional truck and has a new supervisor to assist in the Carencro area.

Update on Faul's Wrecker Service:

City Manager Don Chauvin reported that he has been in contact with Mr. Faul in reference to the nature of his business. Mr. Faul's business is in the overlay district therefore enforcing district codes. City Manager Don informed Mr. Faul that a certificate of occupancy will not be issued until the business is in compliance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mr. Anthony Vallot residing at 116 Kate Road thanked Councilmember Arceneaux for help with his dumpster.

Mr. Brian Knott 4317 N. University Ave. (Carencro Automotive) informed the Mayor and Council that on several occasions his business has flooded due to the overflow on N. University. He stated that he has pictures of each incident. Mayor Brasseaux asked Mr. Knott to call DOTD to let them know that the situation is a problem during a heavy rainfall.

Police Chief David Anderson stated that he will start sending in a DOTD notification through Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office for road closures due to flooding. This record keeping will keep DOTD informed of road closures due to flooding which in turn may have them address the flooding issues on roadways.

With no further comments, Councilmember Guidry made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Councilmember Arceneaux; motion approved.

With no further comments the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Meche
Assistant City Clerk
City of Carencro

Glenn L. Brasseaux
Mayor
City of Carencro