



MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 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 Antoine Babineaux 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.

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

Absent: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor Brasseaux asked for a motion to amend the agenda adding the following items:

Under I/J-6: Resolution 2019-029: A resolution of the Carencro City Council granting authority to Mayor Glenn L. Brasseaux to accept the low bid from S & P Liner, LLC in the amount of \$258,283.50 for the City of Carencro 2018 CIPP Project. (Cured-in-place-piping)

Under Discussion item: #1: Discuss a proposal of Act of Donation from Mr. Randy Fontenot regarding the building/house located at 508 North Church Street.

Under Discussion item #2: Auto Allowances

Councilmember Arceneaux made a motion to amend the agenda adding the above items; seconded by Councilmember Capritto; motion approved.

Mayor Brasseaux reminded everyone that October is Fire Prevention Month and Carencro firefighters were busy educating young school students about fire safety and what to do in case of a fire.

Mayor Brasseaux recognized Ms. Kelly Courville, a Partnership Specialist with the United States Census Bureau. Ms. Courville explained how easy, secure and important the census count is to each community. In 2020 for the first time ever, the Census Bureau will accept responses online and by phone as well as by mail. The online questionnaire is confidential and secure. The importance of filling out the census questionnaire is much more than a head count. It provides a picture of our nation that helps determine where to build schools, hospitals and businesses. Most importantly is determines how federal funding is distributed and how congressional seats are apportioned. If you are interested in volunteering as a census taker you can apply online at 2020census.gov/jobs or by calling city hall at 337-896-8481.

GUESTS: Mayor Brasseaux recognized the following guest:

Brittney Deal, LEDA

PROCLAMATION: None

Councilmember Sinegal motioned to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting of the Carencro City Council on September 16, 2019; seconded by Councilmember Arceneaux; motion approved.

Councilmember Guidry motioned to approve the financial reports; seconded by Councilmember Babineaux; motion approved.

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

Mayor Brasseaux commended Police Chief Anderson and Fire Chief Mouton on the "National Night Out". Again it was a huge success and enjoyed by all!

UPDATES: City Manager Don Chauvin gave the following updates:

Andre Street Drainage – Approximately 99% of construction is complete. Erosion control and fencing are all that remain and both are underway.

Hector Connolly Water Plant – Project is 89% complete while interior and exterior piping continues.

Andre Street Bridge- Contractor is working on both sides of Gaston Coulee in which an unexpected gas line was found but has resolved the issue and work continues. The notice to proceed states a 115 working day contract which began on September 3, 2019.

Historic House/ Welcome Center- Steven Ortego informed the Mayor and Council that the contractor is onsite and working on the restoration. Several interesting discoveries have emerged as they peel back the layers and concluding that it may have been a commercial building such as a trading post or store making it possible the oldest building including all at Vermilionville. They are finding many artifacts in the walls dating back to the late 1800's.

Woodland Trail/Pelican Park Drainage- PARC Chairman Tom Meyers reported that their engineer is working with SLD's engineer to compare models while they work towards a long term drainage solution.

Drainage Prioritization System—In order to prioritize drainage projects for the new Drainage Task Force a prioritization system has been developed to measure the amount of siltation and percentage of blockage. Once rated, projects will be scheduled accordingly.

Rampart St. Drainage – This project will relieve the flooding at the rear of Beau Se Jour by restoring the ditches on the south side of Rampart Street from Guilbeau Road to Walter Drive then north toward St. Anne to the Clayton Street outfall. The bid opening occurred on October 8, 2019 with two bids—SIEMA at \$49,883.50 and Champagne Companies at \$59,305.00. Notices were sent to all affected property owners announcing a public hearing during tonight's council meeting. Regarding Prejean Subdivision the recommendation would be to replace the existing 24" RCP with a 36" RCP from the intersection of Clayton Street and Rainbow Street over to Walter Drive and then over to St. Anne.

Garbage Rate Modification- Contract states Consumer Price Index average from September to August or 3% maximum. The CPI is 1.9% which is an increase of .37 cents. Effective December 1, 2019 the garbage rate will increase from \$19.30 to \$19.67.

Street Overlay Project—the project has grown to 39 roads within the city. The geotechnical work has been completed including 89 core samples. Traffic counts will be obtained to determine design. City Engineer Luke Hebert stated that the bid package will go out in February 2020.

Sosthene Road Drainage Project—Notices to residents announcing a public hearing for the proposed residential ditch digging will be sent shortly. The public hearing will occur during the November 18, 2019 council meeting.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 2019-024: A resolution approving the appointment of a Director and an Alternate Director to represent the City of Carencro, State of Louisiana, on the Board of Directors of the Louisiana Municipal Natural Gas Purchasing and Distribution Authority as provided by Chapter 10-B of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council and public. Councilmember Babineaux made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-024; seconded by Councilmember Capritto; motion approved.

Resolution No. 2019-025: A resolution by the Carencro City Council accepting the Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Audit report and setting actions to maintain permit requirements. (LA0065706) Manola

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council and public. Councilmember Sinegal made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-025; seconded by Councilmember Babineaux; motion approved.

Resolution No. 2019-026: A resolution by the Carencro City Council accepting the Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Audit report and setting actions to maintain permit requirements (LA000020150) Post Road

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council and public. Councilmember Capritto made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-026; seconded by Councilmember Arceneaux; motion approved.

Resolution 2019-027: A resolution of the Carencro City Council in support of the 2020 United States Census.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council and public. Councilmember Guidry made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-027; seconded by Councilmember Babineaux; motion approved.

Resolution 2019-028: A resolution of the Carencro City Council authorizing Mayor Glenn L. Brasseaux to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement by and between the Lafayette-City Parish Consolidated Government and the Carencro Fire Department for Firefighting services.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council and public. Councilmember Guidry made a motion to approved Resolution 2019-028; seconded by Councilmember Sinegal; motion approved.

Resolution 2019-029: A resolution of the Carencro City Council granting authority to Mayor Glenn L. Brasseaux to accept the low bid from S & P Liner, LLC in the amount of \$258,283.50 for the City of Carencro 2018 CIPP project. (Cured-in-place-piping)

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council and public. Councilmember Babineaux made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-029; seconded by Councilmember Sinegal; motion approved.

INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 2019-008: An ordinance of the Carencro City Council adopting an operating budget of revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year beginning December 1, 2019 and ending November 30, 2020 and adopting an amended operating budget of revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year beginning December 1, 2018 and ending November 30, 2019.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council and public. Councilmember Babineaux made a motion to introduce Ordinance No. 2019-008; seconded by Councilmember Arceneaux; motion approved.

Ordinance No. 2019-009: An ordinance of the Carencro City Council declaring the building or structure located at 100 Kentwood Drive, Carencro, Louisiana to be dilapidated and dangerous to the public welfare and ordering the repair or condemnation of same.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council and public. Councilmember Guidry made a motion to introduce Ordinance No. 2019-009; seconded by Councilmember Capritto; motion approved.

PUBLIC HEARING:

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL ADOPTION:

Ordinance No. 2019-006: An ordinance of the Carencro City Council amending Ordinance No. 2019-004 in regards to 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. 2019-006; seconded by Councilmember Guidry; motion approved.

Ordinance No. 2019-007: An ordinance of the Carencro City Council amending the Carencro Code of Ordinances regarding the Performance Land Use Regulations.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council and public. Councilmember Babineaux made a motion to final adopt Ordinance No. 2019-007; seconded by Councilmember Guidry; Councilmember Arceneaux voted nay; motion approved.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Discuss plans to improve the south side of Rampart Street and the east side of Walter Drive.

All notices have been mailed to the residents notifying them of tonight's meeting to voice any concerns that may have.

Mr. George Elair residing at 105 Walter Drive expressed his approval of this drainage project.

Councilmember Arceneaux made a motion to proceed with the drainage plans; seconded by Councilmember Sinegal; motion approved.

Preliminary and final plat approval of Lot 9-A & Lot 9-B, Claude Stemmans located in the City of Carencro Section 34, Township 8 South, Range 4 East, Lafayette Parish, LA. (Off of Bechet Road.)

Planning Administrator Valerie Bosset gave a brief overview of her report and recommendations as well as the conditions included in the City Engineer's report/letter.

She recommended approval of preliminary and final plat contingent upon completion of the following listed conditions as stated by the city engineer.

Councilmember Sinegal made a motion to approve preliminary and final plat approval based on Planning Administrator Valerie Bosset's recommendations; seconded by Councilmember Guidry; motion approved.

Ms. Madeline Braquet residing at 100 Stemmans Road asked if digging and cleaning the ditches would relieve the standing water on her property. Mayor Brasseaux told her that he couldn't guarantee that it would but he believes it will eliminate some of the issues. Ms. Braquet also asked if water and sewer services will be provided by the city to the residents in that area. Mayor Brasseaux explained that is in the plans for the future.

Fairgrounds North Phase III-Final plat As-Builts, Construction Testing and Certification and Sewer Video Inspection approval-Final Inspection No. 1.

Planning Administrator Valerie Bosset gave a brief overview of her report and recommendations as well as the conditions included in the City Engineer's report/letter. She recommended final plat approval contingent upon completion of the following listed conditions as stated by the city engineer.

Ms. Meagan Bourgeois an employee with the developer, J. Breaux Enterprise informed the Mayor and Council that they have been working on the punch list and could be finished by the end of this week.

Councilmember Arceneaux made a motion to approve final plat approval based on Planning Administrator Valerie Bosset's recommendations; seconded by Councilmember Sinegal; motion approved.

DISCUSSIONS:

1. Discuss a proposal of Act of Donation from Mr. Randy Fontenot the building/house located at 508 North Church Street.

After much discussion regarding the house, it was decided that the city has no need for the house or any place/area to move the house to.

Councilmember Arceneaux made a motion to thank Mr. Fontenot for his offer but declined his proposal in purchasing the house; seconded by Councilmember Sinegal; motion approved.

2. Discuss auto allowances.

Comparison information about auto allowances from the surrounding municipalities was sent to all the councilmembers, Mayor, Police Chief and City Manager. This information also included the city's expenditures for gas, oil changes and repairs and maintenance for 2018 and 2019 for the city employees receiving auto allowances.

Councilmember Arceneaux made a motion to approve an \$800.00 monthly allowance while Councilmember Capritto suggested a \$750.00 monthly allowance. This would be for the Mayor, Police Chief, City Manager and Asst. Police Chief.

After further discussion, Councilmember Babineaux made a motion to give an \$800.00 monthly allowance including gas with the city paying ½ of the cost for tires. All oil changes and repairs and maintenance will be the responsibility of the employee; seconded by Councilmember Arceneaux; motion approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mayor Brasseaux invited the council and the public to the Carencro Veterans Memorial ceremony that will be held on Saturday, November 9, 2019 beginning at 10 am.

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

With no further comments the meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gwen Martin, LMMC
City Clerk
City of Carencro

Glenn L. Brasseaux
Mayor
City of Carencro