



MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2019 2019 6:00 PM
CARENCRO CITY HALL
210 E. ST. PETER ST.
CARENCRO, LOUISIANA

Mayor Glenn L. Brasseaux called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. Councilmember Kim Guidry 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 also asked that everyone remember in their thoughts and prayers Asst. City Clerk Lisa Meche's son, Myles who is in the hospital with severe burn injuries as well as former Councilmember J. L. Richard who recently had surgery.

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

Absent: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor Brasseaux asked for a motion to move the following items up the agenda to vote on to allow the city auditors to leave the meeting early due to other obligations as well as removing item L-2:

Under I/J-1: Resolution 2019-030: A resolution of the Carencro City Council approving Parks and Recreation Commission of Carencro, Inc. (PARC) amended operating budget beginning December 1, 2018 and ending November 30, 2019 of revenues and expenditures and the proposed operating budget of revenues and expenditures beginning December 1, 2019 and ending November 30, 2020.

Under L-1: Ordinance for Final Adoption: 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.

Removing from the agenda: 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.

Councilmember Babineaux made a motion to move the following items up the agenda and removing an item; seconded by Councilmember Sinegal; motion approved.

Resolution 2019-030: A resolution of the Carencro City Council approving Parks and Recreation Commission of Carencro, Inc. (PARC) amended operating budget beginning December 1, 2018 and ending November 30, 2019 of revenues and expenditures and the proposed operating budget of revenues and expenditures beginning December 1, 2019 and ending November 30, 2020.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council and public. Councilmember Sinegal made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-030; seconded by Councilmember Babineaux; motion approved.

PUBLIC HEARING: ORDINANCE FOR FINAL ADOPTION

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 Capritto made a motion to final adopt 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.

This Ordinance was removed from the agenda due to the property owners demolishing the dilapidated building.

Councilmember Sinegal made a motion to remove Ordinance No. 2019-009 from the agenda due to property owners efforts to demolish the building; seconded by Councilmember Babineaux; motion approved.

Mayor Brasseaux reminded everyone on Friday, December 6, 2019 the Carencro Business Association is hosting the “Old Fashioned Christmas” behind city hall in the pavilion. The event includes the lighting of the Christmas tree, caroling with cookies and hot chocolate being served. This event is from 6 till 9 pm. Then on Saturday, December 7, 2019 the CBA is hosting the 22nd Annual “Carencro Country Christmas” at the Carencro Community Center. Choirs, Arts & Crafts, Food & Vendors will be there throughout the day beginning from 9 am till 3 pm. Don’t forget to come take your picture with Santa Clause at both events! Admission is free but donations are welcome—nonperishable items, hats, gloves, coats, etc.

GUESTS: Mayor Brasseaux recognized the following guest:

Will Ness, LEDA

PROCLAMATION: None

Councilmember Babineaux motioned to adopt the minutes of the Public city budget hearing of the Carencro City Council on October 17, 2019; seconded by Councilmember Sinegal; motion approved.

Councilmember Capritto motioned to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting of the Carencro City Council on October 21, 2019; seconded by Councilmember Guidry; motion approved.

Councilmember Babineaux motioned to adopt the minutes of the Public PARC budget meeting on October 29, 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.

Asst. Police Chief Ronnie Richard asked that everyone please remember to lock their car doors due to rash of burglaries occurring in the city and parish. Especially with the holidays coming he encouraged everyone to be safe.

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. The concrete foundation slab was placed and awaiting the delivery and installation of the concrete arch drainage structure. Coordination is going well with Entergy and AT&T to de-energize the overhead lines above the structure during installation so minimal power disruption is expected.

Historic House/ Welcome Center- Steven Ortego did not attend the council meeting. City Manager informed the council and public that the contractor is currently still working onsite but the roof and chimney work has been delay due to the cold weather.

Woodland Trail/Pelican Park Drainage- PARC Chairman Tom Meyers reported that their Engineer Chris Guilbeau is working with SLD's Engineer Chad Roussel to develop a long-term solution to the drainage issues at Pelican Park. Mr. Roussel reported they had suffered some personnel changes which were unexpectedly consuming his time.

Rampart St. Drainage – The bid opening occurred on October 8, 2019 with the bid awarded to SIEMA at \$49,883.50. Notices were sent to all affected property owners. The contract has been signed and returned back to the contractor with Notice to Proceed on this project.

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.

Sosthene Road Drainage Project—Notices to residents announcing a public hearing will be held at tonight's council meeting for the proposed residential ditch digging. This project is currently budgeted at \$70,000 in the 2019/2020 proposed budget.

RESOLUTIONS: Moved to the beginning of the agenda

INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 2019-010: An ordinance of the Carencro City Council amending the Carencro Code of Ordinances regarding approved drainage systems.

City Manager Don Chauvin explained to the council and public that this ordinance is including utilizing the rational method, rainfall intensity as published in the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Precipitation-Frequency Atlas of the United States. This is based on the recommendations of the city engineers. This will also allow the city to keep up with any changes throughout the years.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council and public. Councilmember Arceneaux made a motion to introduce Ordinance No. 2019-010; seconded by Councilmember Sinegal; motion approved.

PUBLIC HEARING: FINAL ADOPTED ORDINANCES: Moved to the beginning of the agenda.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Preliminary and Final Plat approval No. 1 (Revised) for Warren Arceneaux property-Plot 2-A. A residential development located in the City of Carencro Section 34, Township 8 South, Range 4 East, Lafayette Parish, Louisiana, Kate Road, Carencro, La.

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.

Mayor Brasseaux asked if anyone was present representing this plat located in the 300 block of Kate Road. No one was present. Councilmember Arceneaux voiced his concerns having no one available to answer any questions regarding the plat.

Councilmember Arceneaux made a motion to table the preliminary and final plat approved for Warren Arceneaux property; seconded by Councilmember Capritto; motion approved.

Sosthene Road Ditch Cleaning:

Notices were mailed to all residents with 300 feet notifying that a Public Hearing will be held at tonight's council meeting in regards to digging the ditches along Sosthene Road to restore the original depth. This type of project requires a public hearing and City Council approval.

No residents attended the meeting.

Councilmember Guidry made a motion to proceed with the Sosthene Road Ditch Cleaning; seconded by Councilmember Babineaux; motion approved.

DISCUSSIONS:

Discuss appointments that are expiring on the Park and Recreation Commission Board. The following are:

Dylan Schott appointed by the Mayor-term expires December 1, 2019.

Mayor Brasseaux informed the council and public that he did not get a chance to speak with Mr. Schott. He has some concerns regarding the number of absentees by board members not attending the PARC board meetings. At this time he is not reappointing Mr. Schott until he has the opportunity to speak with him.

Addir Jay Auzenne appointed by the Council-term expires December 1, 2019.

Councilmember Sinegal made a motion to reappoint Addir Jay Auzenne; seconded by Councilmember Babineaux; motion approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mayor Brasseaux wished everyone a very Blessed and Happy Thanksgiving.

PARC Commissioner Tom Meyers approach the Mayor and Council wishing everyone a very Happy Thanksgiving on behalf of all the PARC board members.

Ms. Addir Jay Auzenne approached the Mayor and Council expressing her appreciation to the council for reappointing her as a board member for PARC. She also wished everyone a Blessed and Happy Thanksgiving.

Mr. Norman Barashick residing at 127 Luxford Way inquired if the city's health and retirement plans were fully funded.

Mayor Brasseaux informed Mr. Barashick that neither the health plan nor the retirements are fully funded. The city's retirement is through the state with the Municipal Employees Retirement System, Municipal Police Employees Retirement System and the Firefighters Retirement System. Each retirement system has a different percentage that the city contributes to as mandated by the retirement board yearly. In regards to the health plan, the city currently enrolled the health plan with Risk Management through the Louisiana Municipal Association. The city had a 15% increase in health premiums based on employees claims and rising insurance cost but RMI is working to reduce the premium cost in the future.

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

With no further comments the meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gwen Martin, LMMC
City Clerk
City of Carencro

Glenn L. Brasseaux
Mayor
City of Carencro