



MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2020 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 Jordan Arceneaux 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 Mayor Pro Tem appointment per the vote taken to rotate the position every 6 months according to seniority.

Councilmember Sinegal made a motion to appoint Councilmember Guidry as Mayor Pro Tem for the next six months; seconded by Councilmember Babineaux; motion approved.

Councilmember Guidry made a motion to amend the agenda to add a Resolution in honor of Mrs. Effie Leger Roger Speyer who will be turning 100 years old in February; seconded by Councilmember Arceneaux; motion approved.

Councilmember Arceneaux made a motion to amend the agenda adding under Introductory Ordinance item K-1—an ordinance amending the Performance Land Use Regulations, Section 54:217; seconded by Councilmember Sinegal; motion approved.

Recognize Mr. Paul Casey with Acadiana Planning Commission presenting a proposal for public bus transit in the city limits of Carencro.

Mayor Brasseaux informed the council and public that this presentation will be postponed until the council meeting in February due to Mr. Casey's illness.

Recognize Ms. Pamela Sorensson, a Carencro High School English Teacher who has been selected as the 2020-2021 Lafayette Parish District's High School Teacher of the Year.

Mayor Brasseaux and the Council congratulated and commended Ms. Sorensson on her recognition as Teacher of the Year by the Lafayette Parish School Board.

GUESTS:

Ms. Brittney Deal, LEDA

PROCLAMATION:

A proclamation commemorating City of Carencro School Choice Week.

Mayor Brasseaux read the proclamation recognizing January 26 thru February 1, 2020 as City of Carencro School Choice Week.

Councilmember Arceneaux made a motion to approve the proclamation as presented; seconded by Councilmember Guidry; motion approved.

Councilmember Babineaux motioned to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting of the Carencro City Council on December 16, 2019; seconded by Councilmember Guidry; motion approved.

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

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

Police Chief David Anderson reported that in the month of December they conducted a speed survey of the eastbound traffic in the 600 block of Ira St. The speed limit is 40 MPH in which the total average speed traveled was 36.51 MPH. The average volume per day was 3,901 vehicles for a total of 81,937 vehicles for a total of 21 days of data.

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 92% in which all four tanks have been filled with the filter media and waiting to be pressure tested. The electrical and computer systems are in final stages of installation. Cox will be installing telephone, alarm lines and internet for the alerting system.

Andre Street Bridge- All bridge sections have been installed. Due to weather delays the project completion date has been moved to the end of February with road opening expected in early March.

Historic House/ Welcome Center- Steven Ortego reported that the siding is been installed. Repairs have begun on the porch with the flooring and ceiling next in line. The house still has mostly 35/40% of the original bousillage on the left and back wall. The plan is to plaster an area to showcase the way it was actually built.

Woodland Trail/Pelican Park Drainage- Fenstermaker reported that the Woodland Trail drainage report was reviewed and approved. Former SLD Engineer Chad Rouseel is being considered by PARC to develop a drainage plan for Pelican Park. City Attorney Jerry Mallet is reviewing Mr. Roussel's proposed contract for services.

Rampart St. Drainage – All ditch restoration has been completed and driveways repaired. A change order of \$13,951 is required to replace additional collapsed culverts at the intersection of Rampart Street and Guilbeau Road.

Wisteria Bend Drainage—a pre-construction meeting was held on January 14, 2020. The estimated start date is early February.

Street Overlay Project- City Engineer Luke Hebert informed the Mayor and Council that they are finalizing the plans and should be ready to submit the bid package by March. Mayor Brasseaux expressed his concerns that he wants to move forward so that the project can begin this spring.

Sosthene Road Drainage Project—Notices to residents were mailed announcing a public hearing that was held at the November council meeting for the proposed residential ditch digging. No opposition was given on this project. This project is currently budgeted at \$70,000 in the 2019/2020 proposed budget.

Prejean Road Overlay: The project is currently slated for the March letting. The plans have been signed by the Chief Engineer and the only outstanding issue is the utility clearance. Chief Engineer is waiting on a LONO from Enlink. Mayor Brasseaux reminded everyone that this project is 2 years old.

Sexual Harassment Report- Act 270 of 2018 required the enactment of a workplace policy on Sexual Harassment for 2019. On January 1, 2019 Mayor Brasseaux implemented our policy. Training was conducted on every employee and additional supervisor training. All new employees must undergo this training and all employees must refresh every year. An annual report is also required and shows zero incidents. This report must be kept on file for auditing purposes. It can also be found on the city's website at www.carencro.org

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 2020-001: A resolution of the Carencro City Council authorizing Mayor Glenn L. Brasseaux to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government (LCG), in regards to the roadway surface improvements to Thoroughbred Drive.

Councilmember Babineaux approved Resolution 2020-001; seconded by Councilmember Arceneaux; motion approved.

Resolution 2020-002: A resolution of the Carencro City Council amending the 2019/2020 General Fund street department operating budget by providing an additional \$42,915.00.

Councilmember Arceneaux approved Resolution 2020-002; seconded by Councilmember Babineaux; motion approved.

Resolution 2020-003: 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.

Councilmember Capritto approved Resolution 2020-003; seconded by Councilmember Sinegal; motion approved.

Resolution 2020-004: A resolution of the Carencro City Council authorizing Mayor Glenn L. Brasseaux to enter into a contract agreement by and between Acadian Ambulance Service, Inc. and the City of Carencro for the exclusive provision of emergency and non-emergency ambulance service.

Mr. Mike Burney with Acadian Ambulance approached the Mayor and Council stating that Lafayette and the surrounding parishes are working on the same agreement to be the sole provider in each city but most importantly the main benefit is a shorter response time. A monthly report will be submitted to the council for their review of call activities and responses done on behalf of Acadian Ambulance substation located in Carencro.

Councilmember Babineaux approved Resolution 2020-004; seconded by Councilmember Sinegal; motion approved.

Resolution 2020-005: A resolution of the Carencro City Council approving the completion of the Louisiana Audit Compliance Questionnaire for the year 2019 with the state answers and authorizing forwarding of same to the auditor.

Councilmember Capritto approved Resolution 2020-005; seconded by Councilmember Guidry; motion approved.

INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES:

Councilmember Arceneaux stated that he would like to introduce an Ordinance to amend Chapter 54, Planning, Section 54:217 to a) grandfather status would apply should a

current business or property owner choose to sell, donate, or otherwise transfer ownership to another owner and would apply only within the physical footprint of the previous business regardless of the contract terms b) grandfather status would apply to a business owner or land owner who opens a business, of the same business type, within one year of the previous business closing at that location. This also would apply only within the physical footprint of the previous business regardless of the contract term.

Councilmember Sinegal made a motion to introduce the ordinance to amend per Councilmember Arceneaux's recommendations; seconded by Councilmember Guidry; motion approved.

PUBLIC HEARING:

FINAL ADOPTED ORDINANCES: None

PUBLIC HEARING:

DISCUSSIONS:

Discuss vacant seat on the Park and Recreation Commission Board.

Appointed by the Council-term expired December 1, 2020.

Councilmember Arceneaux stated that he received two resumes that he will bring to PARC.

Mr. Donahue Lavergne, General Manager with Freedom Homes requesting a variance in regards to the Overlay District Regulations.

This is tabled until February's council meeting due to the Introductory Ordinance.

Recognize Mr. Glenn Faul giving an update on the property located at 3830 N. University Ave (formerly Faul's Wrecker Service)

This is tabled until February's council meeting due to a letter received via email from Mr. Faul's attorney Mr. Arthur Schafer being unable to attend the meeting due to an out of state trip that cannot be postponed.

Recognize Mr. Jim Richard, President of the Carencro Mardi Gras Association requesting permission to host the Carencro Mardi Gras parade on February 15, 2020.

Mr. Richard approached the Mayor and council asking for permission to host the parade on February 15, 2020 beginning at 11 am. He has been working with Chief Anderson to provide a safe, fun filled family parade.

Councilmember Sinegal made a motion to grant permission to the Carencro Mardi Gras Association to host the Carencro Mardi Gras parade on February 15, 2020; seconded by Councilmember Guidry; motion approved.

Mayor Brasseaux informed that council that each year he purchases at least 30/50 barricades to keep up with the growing crowds and to replace the damage ones. This year he would like to purchase much more and would like their opinions in regards to this before February 8th to get the discount rate.

City Clerk Gwen Martin reminded Councilmember Guidry that a proclamation is usually done instead of a resolution when honoring a citizen on their 100th birthday.

Councilmember Guidry recommended that a proclamation be done for Mrs. Effie Leger Roger Speyer for her 100th birthday in February. She also asked that Stacey Judice with Community Chronicles be contacted to do an article on Mrs. Speyer.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mr. Norman Barashick residing at 127 Luxford Way stated that he would like to see a copy of the Woodland Drainage that was reviewed and approved by Fenstermaker. City Manager Don Chauvin informed Mr. Barashick that as a PARC board member he should be getting a copy of the report.

Mr. Donahue Lavergne, General Manager of Freedom Homes approached the Mayor and Council asking if the new ordinance will address his variance request. Mayor Brasseaux informed him that depending on approval of the new ordinance, he can pull his variance request or leave it for next month's agenda. Mr. Lavergne asked that the request remain for next month's council meeting.

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

With no further comments the meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gwen Martin, LMMC
City Clerk
City of Carencro

Glenn L. Brasseaux
Mayor
City of Carencro