



MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, MARCH 16, 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 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. Mayor Brasseaux encouraged all to take the necessary steps to protect and keep your family safe during the coronavirus epidemic. Please pray for all and our country!

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 #4-Resolution 2020-011: A resolution of the Carencro City Council opposition of all proposed legislation that enables the legislature to remove the authority of local governments to administer and collect local sales & use taxes.

Add Executive Session regarding possible litigation.

Councilmember Babineaux made a motion to amend the agenda adding item I/J#4 and the executive session; seconded by Councilmember Sinegal; motion approved.

Mayor Brasseaux informed the council and public that he and City Manager Don Chauvin have been in conference calls all day with several agencies regarding the Coronavirus. Currently Carencro City Hall is the only one in Lafayette Parish that is open while others have closed their doors doing business through drive ups, mail slots or via phone. At this time we will limit the amount of individuals inside the lobby up to 3 at a time for the public and employees safety. Pelican Park and the Carencro Sports Center

are closed to the public. All events such as the Carencro Easter Event, events held at the Community Center and Mayors Court have been cancelled through April 13, 2020.

GUESTS:

PROCLAMATION:

A proclamation proclaiming the month of April 2020 as “Fair Housing Month.”

Councilmember Guidry made a motion approving the proclamation; seconded by Councilmember Arceneaux; motion approved.

A proclamation proclaiming the week of April 13-18, 2020 as “National Community Development Week.”

Councilmember Babineaux made a motion approving the proclamation; seconded by Councilmember Capritto; motion approved.

Councilmember Guidry motioned to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting of the Carencro City Council on February 17, 2020; seconded by Councilmember Capritto; motion approved.

Councilmember Arceneaux motioned to approve the financial reports as presented; seconded by Councilmember Babineaux; motion approved.

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

Police Chief David Anderson reported an 8 pm- 6 am curfew will go into effect for unaccompanied minors. Minors that work will be considered on a case by case basis.

UPDATES: City Manager Don Chauvin gave the following updates:

Historic House/ Welcome Center- Steven Ortego informed the Mayor, council and public that Phase I is almost complete. The shutters, doors and windows are completed. The bousillage is currently being tested by UL to see what year the house was built. Councilmember Guidry inquired about Phase II in which Mr. Ortego informed her that he can begin getting the package ready for bids.

Hector Connolly Water Plant – The concrete drives and sidewalks are complete. Touch-up painting is underway and the system must be chlorinated and put through its paces.

Andre Street Bridge- Due to weather delays the remaining work includes roadway and guardrail installation.

Street Overlay Project-. The pre-bid meeting was held on March 11, 2020 with the bid opening on March 18, 2020.

Sosthene Road Drainage Project—the low bid was awarded to SIEMA Construction at \$100,375.00. Preconstruction meeting will be held on March 18, 2020.

Prejean Road Overlay: The bid opening was held on March 11, 2020 and the low bidder was M. Trak, LLC at \$407,271.97. DOTD stated that it usually takes 45 days to have the contract signed and to give the contractor the notice to proceed. Once the contractor is given the notice to proceed, there will be a 30 day assembly period. Construction is expected to begin sometime in late May or early June and once construction begins it is expected to take 35 working days to complete.

Fire Station on Gloria Switch- The bond attorneys and financial advisor are exploring funding options including USDA and bond issuance. With the historically low interest rates they believe bonding may be the better option. Fire Chief David Mouton has submitted his basic plans while Fenstermaker will begin a survey of the property.

At this time Mayor Brasseaux asked for a motion to amend the agenda adding under Discussion item #4: a budget amendment for a new line item: Fire Station/Fire Trucks

Councilmember Sinegal made a motion to amend the agenda adding Discussion item #4; seconded by Councilmember Arceneaux; motion approved.

Census 2020—a short video was shown to express the importance of filling out the census report. Citizens may fill out the report via mail, online or phone. By everyone participating this will benefit the city with a true count of residents which allows the city to receive federal grant monies.

#### RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 2020-008: A resolution of the Carencro City Council amending the 2019/2020 General Fund police department Capital Outlay operating budget by providing an additional \$19,400.00.

Councilmember Guidry made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-008; seconded by Councilmember Arceneaux; motion approved.

Resolution 2020-009: A resolution of the Carencro City Council amending the 2019/2020 TIF District Sales Tax operating budget providing \$302,327.00 for the Water Main Improvements along N. University Ave. (LA. 182)

Councilmember Babineaux made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-009; seconded by Councilmember Sinegal; motion approved.

Resolution 2020-010: A resolution of the Carencro City Council amending the 2019/2020 General Fund street department operating budget by providing an additional \$20,000.00 to the ditch/tree cleaning and grubbing line item.

Councilmember Babineaux made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-010; seconded by Councilmember Sinegal; motion approved

Resolution 2020-011: A resolution of the Carencro City Council opposition of all proposed legislation that enables the legislature to remove the authority of local governments to administer and collect local sales & use tax.

Councilmember Arceneaux made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-011; seconded by Councilmember Guidry; motion approved.

#### INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 2020-002: An ordinance of the Carencro City Council amending the Code of Ordinances regulating residential mobile homes, house trailers, and manufactured houses in the City of Carencro, Louisiana.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council or the public. With no questions or comments Councilmember Babineaux made a motion to introduce Ordinance No. 2020-002; seconded by Councilmember Sinegal; motion approved.

#### PUBLIC HEARING:

FINAL ADOPTED ORDINANCES: None

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#### DISCUSSIONS:

Discuss vacant seat on the Park and Recreation Commission Board.

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

Councilmember Arceneaux made a motion to appoint Jim Richard for the vacant seat; seconded by Councilmember Capritto; motion approved.

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

Due to the passage of Ordinance No. 2020-001, Councilmember Arceneaux informed the Mayor and Council that Mr. Lavergne is no longer requesting the variance. No action taken.

Executive Session: regarding a possible litigation

Councilmember Babineaux made a motion to go into Executive Session; seconded by Councilmember Guidry; Nay vote by Councilmember Arceneaux; motion approved

Councilmember Arceneaux made a motion to end the executive session; seconded by Councilmember Capritto; motion approved.

Councilmember Guidry made a motion to go back to regular session; seconded by Councilmember Sinegal; motion approved.

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

Attorney Mr. Jeff Moss representing Mr. Glenn Faul requested an extension on the temporary water services to allow him the opportunity to meet with the city's attorney Mr. Jerry Mallet and City Manager Don Chauvin to review the city's ordinances in regards to Mr. Faul's situation.

City Manager Don Chauvin informed Mr. Moss the building inspection and Fire Marshall approval was given to the city's planning department but the front of the building is not in compliance with the city's ordinances because of the location being within the Overlay District. Mr. Faul has yet to present his plans for the location but did receive via certified mail all the requirements/information needed for a new business. The grandfather status has been repealed because of the Overlay District regulations.

At the April 2019 council meeting Mr. Faul approached the Council apologizing for his father's negligence to maintain the property in accordance with the city's ordinances and assured everyone that he has begun cleaning and clearing the site for a new business. At that time he was granted temporary water services to continue cleaning the site with the intention to come to city hall to meet with the planning department to move forward with the proper procedures. Eleven months later Mr. Faul has not met with the planning department but instead has moved a family into the building that he said would be demolished.

Councilmember Arceneaux made a motion to rescind the motion made at the February 17, 2020 council meeting to terminate water/sewer services on March 17, 2020 if at the March 16, 2020 council meeting Mr. Faul is not in compliance with the city's ordinances for the new business or request a variance; seconded by Councilmember Capritto; motion approved.

Councilmember Arceneaux made a motion to terminate water/sewer services at the end of the business day of April 21, 2020 if at the April 20, 2020 council meeting Mr. Faul is not in compliance with the city's ordinances for the business located at 3830 N. University Ave; seconded by Councilmember Guidry; Nay vote by Councilmember Sinegal; motion approved.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Councilmember Arceneaux made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Councilmember Guidry; motion approved.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Gwen Martin, LMMC  
City Clerk  
City of Carencro

Glenn L. Brasseaux  
Mayor  
City of Carencro