



MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2021 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 Danielle Capritto 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 to keep Councilmember Alfred Sinegal in your prayers whose sister-in-law passed away.

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

Absent: Jordan Arceneaux

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor Brasseaux thanked everyone for all the cards, texts, emails, visits, meals but especially all the prayers during his recovery. Mayor also asked to continue to pray for all individuals fighting Covid-19.

Mayor Brasseaux recognized two Pelican Waste and Debris workers, Mr. Dion Merrick and Mr. Brandon Antoine who spotted the vehicle described in a recent Amber Alert of a 10 year old girl kidnapping in Iberia Parish. Due to their quick response and call to 911 she is now safe because the workers decided not to look the other way. Great Job!

Mayor Brasseaux announced that recycle day for Wednesday this week was cancelled due to the delay in trash pickup however the schedule will resume on Monday next week.

GUESTS : Doyle Boudreaux- LCG Liason

PROCLAMATION: None

Councilmember Babineaux motioned to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting of the Carencro City Council on January 19, 2021; seconded by Councilmember Capritto; motion approved.

Councilmember Capritto 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.

Mayor Brasseaux commended Carencro Police Department, Carencro Fire Department, and Public Works Department for all their hard work during the ice storm.

Councilmember Babineaux sent out a special thank you to Carencro Fire Department for their quick response to a gas leak at the residence of Ms. Dorothy Sibille.

UPDATES: City Manager Don Chauvin gave the following updates:

Hector Connolly Water Plant – Test results show the media and filters need to be replaced. Currently getting quotes for media replacement and the process will take approximately 30 days to replace using our staff to save time.

Street Overlay Project- Cross drain at Tison Road has been replaced. Arceneaux Road is being paved, Derek Plaza and The Sports Complex are next in line. The status report shows 94% complete having used only 74% of the contract time.

Fire Station on Gloria Switch- The bond did close and the funds are currently in the city's account. The architect has a 12-month construction schedule beginning in April 2021, barring delays by hurricanes, Covid-19, etc. The sewer improvements that will serve this station have been designed and we're working on the servitudes.

Gas Bills- Three factors contributed to a higher-than-expected January gas bill:

1. Gas prices increased as we entered peak demand season.
2. December was cold with average highs of 53 degrees and average lows of 44 degrees.
3. A problem with our third-party meter reading service caused a 10–14-day delay in reading.

This means the bills include as much as a month and a half of gas usage at higher rates. This also means that the next bills will include fewer days resulting in a lower bill.

We have rechecked meters all over town and only two misreads were found so far. The city has been working hard to revamp our utility processes so beginning next month our meter readers will be using I-Pads in the field for reading and taking photos of the meter which can be referred back to if the digits are entered incorrectly.

New Water Meters- The installation is on schedule for June 2021 completion. The system security is our new state-of-the-art meters that utilize cellular communications on the LTE-M network which is a network that is reserved for machine- to- machine devices. These devices report usage several times per day to our utility software which is

in the cloud, independent of our water system software and any of our other software. Once all meters are installed, we will reveal a web portal and App for monitoring water usage and the capability to set alerts.

New Gas Meter Reading Process- The city has been working to upgrade our utility software and processes. The new software is located in the cloud which improves our security. The new handheld tablets will allow for photos to be taken of every meter as it's read and stored for several months so in the event of a misread our staff can easily verify what the previous reading was and order a re-read.

Natural Gas Supplies- The city was notified that a possibility exists for a 100% reduction due to extreme weather conditions. This reduction would apply to one of our providers so it appears our other provider would not be affected.

#### RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 2021-002: A resolution of the Carencro City Council authorizing Mayor Glenn L. Brasseaux to enter into a contract agreement by and between Blue Line Solutions, LLC and the City of Carencro to provide for the enforcement of traffic violations enforced by automated means.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council or the public. Councilmember Babineaux made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2021-002; seconded by Councilmember Capritto; motion approved.

Resolution No. 2021-003: A resolution of the Carencro City Council authorizing Mayor Glenn L. Brasseaux to proceed with the construction of the 2021 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 or the public. Councilmember Sinegal made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2021-003; seconded by Councilmember Capritto; motion approved.

#### INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 2021-001: An ordinance of the Carencro City Council amending the Carencro Code of Ordinances with regard to littering and adding penalty provisions for violations of same.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council or the public. Councilmember Babineaux made a motion to introduce Ordinance No. 2021-001; seconded by Councilmember Capritto; motion approved.

#### PUBLIC HEARING:

FINAL ADOPTED ORDINANCES: None

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DISCUSSIONS:

PUBLIC COMMENTS :

Mayor Brasseaux asked for a motion to amend the agenda to recognize Carencro High School Football Team and Coaching Staff by painting a mural over the Centennial mural and to proceed with pricing.

Councilmember Babineaux made a motion to amend the agenda to recognize Carencro High School Football Team and Coaching Staff by painting a mural; seconded by Councilmember Sinegal; motion approved.

Councilmember Babineaux made a motion permitting Mayor Brasseaux to proceed with pricing and all other items necessary for the completion of getting the mural painted in honor of Carencro High School Football Team; seconded by Councilmember Sinegal; motion approved.

Mr. Norman Barashick who resides at 127 Luxford Way thanked City Manager, Don Chauvin for rectifying the illegal dumping of furniture during construction.

Mr. Barashick had several questions in regards to the Hector Connoly Water Plant asking if the media is the only outstanding issue to be resolved before it can produce water. City Engineer Luke Hebert responded to his concerns and questions stating that they are working on all issues with the plant and the water is being treated with two types of chemicals.

Councilmember Babineaux made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Councilmember Capritto; motion approved.

With no further comments the meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Meche  
Asst. City Clerk  
City of Carencro

Glenn L. Brasseaux  
Mayor  
City of Carencro