



MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 15, 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 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.

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

Absent:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor Brasseaux introduced our newest employee: Tina Estilette, who is working with Valerie in the Code and Planning Department. She was welcomed and congratulated by all!

Mayor Brasseaux announced that Tuesday, March 16, 2021, The Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development will hold a stakeholder meeting for a traffic discussion related to the Amazon Fulfillment Center to be held at Carencro Community Center beginning at 5pm. Everyone is invited to attend.

GUESTS : Doyle Boudreaux- LCG Liaison
Brittany Deal- LEDA

PROCLAMATION :

A proclamation proclaiming the month of April 2021 as Fair Housing Month.

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A proclamation declaring March 21, 2021 as World Down Syndrome Day.

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We had the pleasure of meeting Mrs. Laura Roy, President of the Down Syndrome Association of Acadiana and several families who have Down Syndrome children were present for a photo with Mayor Glenn L. Brasseaux and the Carencro City Council. What a joyful moment!

Councilmember Capritto motioned to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting of the Carencro City Council on February 17, 2021; seconded by Councilmember Babineaux; motion approved.

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

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

UPDATES: City Manager Don Chauvin gave the following updates:

Hector Connolly Water Plant – Filter media replacement has been ordered therefore the replacement should happen in less than 30 days.

Street Overlay Project- Arceneaux Road has been paved but is not complete at this time. Derek Plaza and The Sports Complex are next in line to be paved.

Fire Station on Gloria Switch- Architect Lynn Guidry has a 12-month construction schedule beginning in April 2021, barring delays by hurricanes, Covid, etc. The sewer improvements that will serve this station have been designed and we are currently working on the servitudes. Fire Chief David Mouton and his staff are preparing to order the trucks which will take about a year to build.

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. Some of the aging meters have recently been tested and show an 84% accuracy which accounts for a large part of our overall water loss. Once all the 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 new Utility software is now online in the cloud so the data is very secure. This week we will deploy the new hand-held tablets which allow for photos to be taken of every meter as it's read. These photos will be 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.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 2021-004: A resolution of the Carencro City Council authorizing Mayor Glenn L. Brasseaux to enter into a cooperative endeavor agreement by and between Crime Fighters of Louisiana, LLC. and the City of Carencro to provide, install and maintain all cameras in the fight against crime within the city limits.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council or the public. Councilmember Babineaux made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2021-004; seconded by Councilmember Sinegal; motion approved.

Resolution No. 2021-005: 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 or the public. Councilmember Arceneaux made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2021-005; seconded by Councilmember Capritto; motion approved.

INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 2021-002: An ordinance of the Carencro City Council amending Ordinance No. 2000-012 and the Carencro Code of Ordinances with regards to the substance abuse policy.

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

PUBLIC HEARING:

FINAL ADOPTED 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 Capritto made a motion to final adopt Ordinance No. 2021-001; seconded by Councilmember Arceneaux; motion approved.

PUBLIC HEARING:

DISCUSSIONS:

Discuss annexing part of Cankton Road and possibly surrounding property owners.

City Manager Don Chauvin explained that this annexation was attempted back in 2012 with no success to annex this intersection due to a property line dispute. The problem is defined that the intersection of Ira Street and Cankton Road is not in the city limits of Carencro with a small portion belonging to the Parish. Police Chief David Anderson stated that if the intersection was to be incorporated it would help with crash investigations and criminal damages to property issues for the residents surrounding that intersection while eliminating whose jurisdiction will handle the crash or incident. The city plans to contact the two property owners to see if they are interested in the annexation.

Recognize Mr. Mike Menard, owner of Crave Romance Boutique and Mr. Miles Holley, owner of Derek Plaza Shopping Center.

Mr. Mike Menard came before the Mayor and Council to discuss the Crave Romance Boutique opening and items that he would sell in his store. We also heard from Mr. Miles Holley owner of Derek Plaza in support of the store opening. Several residents stated their concerns against the store opening while others were in favor of allowing the store to open.

Currently the city's ordinance prohibits certain retail items to be sold, displayed, etc in the type of business that Mr. Menard is trying to establish in the city limits.

After further discussion and comments, Mayor Brasseaux gave the Council the option to make a motion to amend the code of ordinance if they wished to do so. No motion was made; therefore, no changes will be made to the ordinance.

Discuss vacant appointment on the Parc and Recreation Commission Board:
Appointment by the Mayor.

Mayor Brasseaux announced Mr. James Andrus as his newest appointment to the Parc and Recreation Commission Board. Mr. Andrus will be a valuable asset to the board and his willingness to help children in the Carencro Community. He was congratulated by all.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mr. James Mayard approached the Mayor and Council about littering on Michaud Street before the overpass. Police Chief David Anderson stated that they arrested someone today in regards to littering. Mayor Brasseaux also informed that the city is working to install cameras in this area.

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

With no further comments the meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Meche
Asst. City Clerk
City of Carencro

Glenn L. Brasseaux
Mayor
City of Carencro