

**Minutes of May 8, 2018 – Regular Meeting
Mayor and Board of Selectmen
City of Plaquemine, Louisiana**

The Mayor and Board of Selectmen met for a Regular Meeting at Plaquemine City Hall, second floor courtroom, 23640 Railroad Avenue, City of Plaquemine, Parish of Iberville, State of Louisiana, 70764 on Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at 6:30 p.m., with the following members present:

Present: Mayor Edwin M. Reeves, Jr. and Selectmen Lindon A. Rivet, Jr., Oscar S. Mellion, Ralph J. Stassi, Jr. and Michael W. Rivet. Selectman Jimmie Randle, Jr. arrives at 6:52 p.m.

Absent: Selectman Timothy L. Martinez

The Pledge of Allegiance followed the Clerk's evidence of proper notice for the calling of the meeting.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of the late Board of Selectman Paul T. D'Albor.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (MUST REGISTER WITH THE CLERK).

There were no public comments.

NUISANCE HEARING – 23015 JACOB STREET, OWNERS KENNETH L. & NICOLE H. BLANCHARD.

No action taken, property is in compliance with city code.

NUISANCE HEARING – 58488 W. W. HARLEAUX STREET, OWNERS DOROTHY & LOUELLA SPARKS.

No action taken, there was a Notice of Seize on property.

CONDEMNATION HEARING – 58130 W. W. HARLEAUX, OWNER BALL BELL (EST), C/O CHERYL S. PIPER.

Selectman Ralph J. Stassi, Jr. moved, seconded by Selectman Michael W. Rivet that the City of Plaquemine condemn property located at 58130 W. W. Harleaux.

The foregoing was adopted by the following votes:

Yeas: Lindon A. Rivet, Jr., Oscar S. Mellion, Ralph J. Stassi, Jr. and Michael W. Rivet

Nays: None

Absent: Timothy L. Martinez and Jimmie Randle, Jr.

NUISANCE HEARING – 23810 LEVY STREET, OWNER C & C PROPERTY GROUP L.L.C.

No action taken, City Inspector Lenora Crawford will pull permits to stop work and have vehicles moved from property located at 23810 Levy Street.

CONDEMNATION HEARING – 58607 ALLEN STREET, OWNERS ISAAC & EVERLINA GEORGETOWN, C/O JAMES GEORGETOWN.

Selectman Lindon A. Rivet, Jr. moved, seconded by Selectman Oscar S. Mellion that the City of Plaquemine appoint an attorney to represent the heirs of 58607 Allen Street and place on regular meeting of June 12, 2018.

The foregoing was adopted by the following votes:

Yeas: Lindon A. Rivet, Jr., Oscar S. Mellion, Ralph J. Stassi, Jr. and Michael W. Rivet

Nays: None

Absent: Timothy L. Martinez and Jimmie Randle, Jr.

NUISANCE HEARING – 23923 TAYLOR STREET, OWNERS CLARENCE & ASALEE JEFFERSON.

No action taken, city will work with owners to bring property in compliance.

TO ADOPT AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE LEVYING AND COLLECTION OF CERTAIN AD VALOREM TAXES IN THE CITY OF PLAQUEMINE, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TO BE SPREAD UPON THE 2018 ASSESSMENT ROLL OF THE PARISH OF IBERVILLE, STATE OF LOUISIANA.

Selectman Lindon A. Rivet, Jr. offered the following ordinance, seconded by Selectman Oscar S. Mellion:

ORDINANCE NO. 378

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE LEVYING AND COLLECTION
OF CERTAIN AD VALOREM TAXES IN THE CITY OF PLAQUEMINE,
STATE OF LOUISIANA, TO BE SPREAD UPON THE 2018 ASSESSMENT
ROLL OF THE PARISH OF IBERVILLE, STATE OF LOUISIANA

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Board of Selectmen of the City of Plaquemine of the Parish of Iberville, State of Louisiana, in public meeting held on May 8, 2018, which meeting was conducted in accordance with the open meetings law, that the taxing authority voted that the taxable property shown on the official assessment roll for the year 2018, and when collected, the revenues from said taxes shall be used only for the specific purpose for which said taxes have been levied. Said millage rate(s) are:

	<u>2018 Levy</u>
General Revenue Purposes	4.85 mills
Improving, maintaining and operating the Police Department of the City	3.10 mills
Improving, maintaining and operating public buildings in the City	3.10 mills

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the Assessor of the Parish of Iberville, shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2018 the taxes herein levied, and the tax collector of said Parish shall collect and remit the same to said taxing authority in accordance with law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Board of Selectmen of the City of Plaquemine, Parish of Iberville, Louisiana, that this ordinance shall become effective as provided by law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Board of Selectmen of the City of Plaquemine, Parish of Iberville, State of Louisiana that all other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed in their entirety.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Board of Selectmen of the City of Plaquemine, Parish of Iberville, State of Louisiana, that if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items, or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

The foregoing was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the ordinance was adopted by the following votes:

Yeas: Lindon A. Rivet, Jr., Oscar S. Mellion, Ralph J. Stassi, Jr. and Michael W. Rivet

Nays: None

Absent: Timothy L. Martinez and Jimmie Randle, Jr.

Abstain: None

TO ACCEPT BID RECEIVED FOR A PORTABLE SEWER CLEANOUT MACHINE FOR THE CITY OF PLAQUEMINE UTILITY DEPARTMENT.

Selectman Lindon A. Rivet, Jr. moved, seconded by Selectman Michael W. Rivet that the City of Plaquemine accept the only bid received from Rumfola Sales and Service, 10898 N. Dual Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70814, totaling \$52,815.00 for a Portable Sewer Cleanout Machine for the City of Plaquemine Utility Department.

The foregoing was adopted by the following votes:

Yeas: Lindon A. Rivet, Jr., Oscar S. Mellion, Ralph J. Stassi, Jr. and Michael W. Rivet

Nays: None

Absent: Timothy L. Martinez and Jimmie Randle, Jr.

Committee Reports.

a) **PEC**

Tony Arikol of PEC provided status of ongoing projects.

b) **UTILITY DIRECTOR FRANK MOTT**

Utility Director Frank Mott provided status of ongoing projects.

c) **PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR RICHARD ALLEMAN**

Public Works Director Richard Alleman provided status of ongoing projects.

d) **FIRE CHIEF DARREN RAMIREZ**

Fire Chief Darren Ramirez briefed Mayor and Board regarding his department and related issues.

e) **CHIEF OF POLICE KENNETH PAYNE**

In the absence of Chief of Police Kenneth Payne, Assistant Chief of Police Robert Johnson briefed Mayor and Board regarding department and related issues.

f) **FINANCE DIRECTOR LAUREN BERTHELOT**

In the absence of Finance Director Lauren Berthelot, Mayor provided monthly budget to actual financial update.

ACKNOWLEDGE POLICE AND FIRE REPORTS FROM APRIL 2018.

So acknowledged.

APPROVE PAYROLL VOUCHERS FOR THE CITY OF PLAQUEMINE FOR APRIL 2018.

Selectman Lindon A. Rivet, Jr. moved, seconded by Selectman Oscar S. Mellion that the City of Plaquemine approve payroll vouchers for April 2018.

The foregoing was adopted by the following votes:

Yeas: Lindon A. Rivet, Jr., Oscar S. Mellion, Ralph J. Stassi, Jr., Michael W. Rivet and Jimmie Randle, Jr.

Nays: None

Absent: Timothy L. Martinez

APPROVE MINUTES OF APRIL 10, 2018 (REGULAR MEETING) WITH NECESSARY CORRECTIONS.

Selectman Lindon A. Rivet, Jr. moved, seconded by Selectman Oscar S. Mellion that the reading of the minutes of April 10, 2018 (regular meeting) were waived and approved as accepted with necessary corrections.

The foregoing was adopted by the following votes:

Yeas: Lindon A. Rivet, Jr., Oscar S. Mellion, Ralph J. Stassi, Jr., Michael W. Rivet and Jimmie Randle, Jr.

Nays: None

Absent: Timothy L. Martinez

ADJOURNMENT.

Selectman Lindon A. Rivet, Jr. moved, seconded by Selectman Oscar S. Mellion that the City of Plaquemine adjourn at 7:01 p.m.

The foregoing was adopted by the following votes:

Yeas: Lindon A. Rivet, Jr., Oscar S. Mellion, Ralph J. Stassi, Jr., Michael W. Rivet and Jimmie Randle, Jr.

Nays: None

Absent: Timothy L. Martinez

CITY OF PLAQUEMINE

/s/Edwin M. "Ed" Reeves, Mayor

/s/Roxane M. Richard, City Clerk