

**Minutes of July 9, 2019 – 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, July 9, 2019 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., Michael W. Rivet, Timothy L. Martinez and Jimmie Randle, Jr.

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS (MUST REGISTER WITH THE CLERK).

There were no public comments.

PERCY BUTLER, JR., CANDIDATE FOR IBERVILLE PARISH PRESIDENT.

Mr. Percy Butler, Jr. addressed Mayor and Board as candidate for Iberville Parish President.

DEMOLITION HEARING – 57935 GOVERNMENT STREET, OWNER TRAVIS TANOOS.

Item to be placed on Regular Meeting of August 13, 2019 for update of progress on property located at 57935 Government Street.

PUBLIC HEARING – TO CONSIDER THE MERGE OF LOT 4 & 5 DUPONT ANNEX INTO LOT 4-A DUPONT ANNEX AT 58819 ALLEN STREET, OWNER PATRICIA LEWIS.

Selectman Jimmie Randle, Jr. moved, seconded by Selectman Oscar S. Mellion that the City of Plaquemine grant the merge of Lot 4 & 5 Dupont Annex into Lot 4-A Dupont Annex at 58819 Allen Street.

The foregoing was adopted by the following votes:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

ADOPT A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING LOW BID FROM COMEAUX BROTHERS CONSTRUCTION FOR THE MARK A. "TONY" GULOTTA BAYOU WATERFRONT PARK - PHASE III IMPROVEMENTS.

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

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of Plaquemine, Parish of Iberville, State of Louisiana, through its Mayor and Board of Selectmen, received bids for the Mark A. "Tony" Gulotta Bayou Waterfront Park – Phase III Project and

WHEREAS, the City of Plaquemine, Parish of Iberville, State of Louisiana, through its Mayor and Board of Selectmen, accept the bid from Comeaux Brothers Construction, P. O. Box 1000, Plaquemine, LA 70765, LA State License No. 20759, total bid of \$697,894.00.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Plaquemine, Parish of Iberville, State of Louisiana, accept the bid from Comeaux Construction, P. O. Box 1000, Plaquemine, LA 70765, LA State License No. 20759, total bid of \$697,894.00.

The foregoing was adopted by the following votes:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPOINTING THE DIRECTOR AND ALTERNATE DIRECTOR TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR LOUISIANA ENERGY AND POWER AUTHORITY (LEPA).

Selectman Timothy L. Martinez offered the following resolution, seconded by Selectman Lindon A. Rivet, Jr.:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing authority of the City of Plaquemine, Louisiana, that the Mayor's appointment of Edwin M. Reeves, Jr. to serve as Director and Travis Bourgoyne to serve as

Alternate Director on the Board of Directors of Louisiana Energy and Power Authority ("LEPA") is hereby approved.

The foregoing was adopted by the following votes:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPOINTING THE DIRECTOR AND ALTERNATE DIRECTOR TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR LOUISIANA MUNICIPAL NATURAL GAS PURCHASING AND DISTRIBUTION AUTHORITY.

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

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF A DIRECTOR AND AN ALTERNATE DIRECTOR TO REPRESENT THE CITY OF PLAQUEMINE, STATE OF LOUISIANA, ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LOUISIANA MUNICIPAL NATURAL GAS PURCHASING AND DISTRIBUTION AUTHORITY AS PROVIDED BY CHAPTER 10-B OF TITLE 33 OF THE LOUISIANA REVISED STATUTES OF 1950

WHEREAS, the City of Plaquemine, State of Louisiana, has previously become a member of the Authority in accordance with the Act; and

WEHREAS, pursuant to Section 4546.2 of the Act, the governing authority of the City of Plaquemine, State of Louisiana, desires to approve the appointment of Travis Bourgoyne to serve as a Director of the Authority and to approve the appointment of Edwin M. Reeves, Jr. to serve as an Alternate Director to act in the absence of the director herein above named;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the governing authority of the City of Plaquemine, State of Louisiana, acting in such capacity:

Section 1. That, pursuant to the Act, the appointment of Travis Bourgoyne to serve as a Director of the Authority for a term of four (4) years from the date hereof is approved and that the appointment of Edwin M. Reeves, Jr. to serve as an Alternate Director, for like term, to act in the absence of the director is approved.

Section 2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

The foregoing was adopted by the following votes:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

ADOPT A RESOLUTION DECLARING EQUIPMENT SURPLUS AND RELATED ISSUES.

Selectman Timothy L. Martinez moved the following resolution, seconded by Selectman Lindon A. Rivet, Jr.:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of Plaquemine, owns the following movable property which is no longer needed for a public purpose:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Make</u>	<u>Model</u>	<u>Vin #</u>	<u>Value</u>
2012	Chevrolet	Tahoe	1GNLC2E0XCR180894	\$1,000.00

WHEREAS, such property has no value or an appraised value of less than five thousand dollars, therefore the City of Plaquemine hereby proposes to dispose of such property in accordance with the procedures set forth in R.S. 33:4712 (F).

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Plaquemine have hereby declared the above mentioned movable property which is no longer needed for public purpose as surplus with either no value and/or an appraised value of less than five thousand dollars as set forth in accordance with the procedures set forth in R.S. 33:4712 (F).

The foregoing was adopted by the following votes:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

ADOPT A MOTION TO AMEND THE CITY OF PLAQUEMINE PAY PLAN BY CLASSIFICATION AS OUTLINED IN THE PERSONNEL MANUAL SECTION 4.2 COMPENSATION PLAN.

Selectman Lindon A. Rivet, Jr. moved, seconded by Selectman Oscar S. Mellion that the City of Plaquemine approve the amended City of Plaquemine Pay Plan by Classification as outlined in the Personnel Manual Section 4.2 Compensation Plan.

The foregoing was adopted by the following votes:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

ACKNOWLEDGE THAT NO BIDS WERE RECEIVED WHEN ADVERTISED FOR A DEPOSITORY OR FISCAL AGENT FOR THE CITY OF PLAQUEMINE FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR AND AUTHORIZE MAYOR TO NEGOTIATE CONTRACT.

Selectman Ralph J. Stassi, Jr. moved, seconded by Selectman Timothy L. Martinez to authorize Mayor Edwin M. "Ed" Reeves, Jr. to negotiate for a depository or fiscal agent for the City of Plaquemine for a period of one year.

The foregoing was adopted by the following votes:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

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

Chief of Police Kenneth Payne not present, no report given.

f) FINANCE DIRECTOR LAUREN BERTHELOT

Finance Director Lauren Berthelot provided monthly budget to actual financial update.

ACKNOWLEDGE POLICE AND FIRE REPORTS FOR JUNE 2019.

So acknowledged.

APPROVE PAYROLL VOUCHERS FOR THE CITY OF PLAQUEMINE FOR JUNE 2019.

Selectman Timothy L. Martinez moved, seconded by Selectman Lindon A. Rivet, Jr. that the City of Plaquemine approve payroll vouchers for the City of Plaquemine for June 2019.

The foregoing was adopted by the following votes:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

APPROVE MINUTES OF JUNE 11, 2019 (REGULAR MEETING) WITH NECESSARY CORRECTIONS.

Selectman Lindon A. Rivet, Jr. moved, seconded by Selectman Timothy L. Martinez that the reading of the minutes of June 11, 2019 (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, Timothy L. Martinez and Jimmie Randle, Jr.

Nays: None

Absent: None

ADJOURNMENT.

Selectman Lindon A. Rivet, Jr. moved, seconded by Selectman Timothy L. Martinez that the City of Plaquemine adjourn at 7:06 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, Timothy L. Martinez and Jimmie Randle, Jr.

Nays: None

Absent: None

CITY OF PLAQUEMINE

/s/Edwin M. Reeves, Jr., Mayor

/s/Roxane M. Richard, City Clerk