

**CITY OF CROWLEY  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
OCTOBER 8, 2002**

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Louisiana, the governing authority of the City of Crowley, met in a regular session at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday the 8<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2002, at the regular meeting place of said Mayor and Board of Aldermen, the City Hall, 426 North Avenue F, Crowley, Louisiana.

Mayor Isabella L. de la Houssaye presided with the following Aldermen present: James M. Buatt, J. Elliot Doré, Tiger Istre, Greg Jones, Mary T. Melancon, Laurita D. Pete, Steven C. Premeaux and Ira Thomas. Aldermen Vernon Martin was absent.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was recited and Alderman Doré gave the invocation.

Alderwoman Melancon moved to amend the agenda to consider the contract for removal of debris from hurricane Lili. Seconded by Alderman Premeaux and duly adopted after a unanimous vote.

Alderman Buatt moved to amend the agenda to consider a beer and liquor license for Debra Jackson. Seconded by Alderman Thomas and duly adopted after a unanimous vote.

Alderman Jones moved to amend the agenda to consider a variance for Bill John. Seconded by Alderman Doré and duly adopted after a unanimous vote.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

Alderman Jones offered a motion to postpone the Public Hearings on the following Ordinance 1263 and Ordinance 1264 until the Special Council meeting scheduled in two weeks. Seconded by Alderman Doré and duly adopted.

**ORDINANCE 1263**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND RE-ENACT SECTION 10-20 OF ARTICLE II OF CHAPTER 10 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, PROVIDING FOR SEWER CONNECTIONS REQUIRED WITHIN THE CITY OF CROWLEY; TO AMEND AND RE-ENACT SECTION 10-21 OF ARTICLE II OF CHAPTER 10 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY PROHIBITING PRIVATE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS WITHIN THE CITY OF CROWLEY AND PROVIDING EXCEPTIONS THERETO; TO AMEND AND RE-ENACT SECTION 10-24 OF ARTICLE II OF CHAPTER 10 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY AUTHORIZING CONNECTIONS TO PROPERTY OUTSIDE OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY; TO AMEND AND RE-ENACT SECTION 10-25 OF ARTICLE II OF CHAPTER 10 OF THE CODE OF

ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY REQUIRING PERMITS AND MONTHLY FEES FOR CONNECTIONS TO PROPERTY OUTSIDE OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY; TO AMEND AND RE-ENACT SECTION 10-26 OF ARTICLE II OF CHAPTER 10 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY TO PROVIDE FOR CONNECTIONS OUTSIDE OF THE CITY, USER CHARGES AND MONTHLY FEES PER OPENING; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; AND TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES CONTRARY THERETO.

ORDINANCE 1264

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 11 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, BY ADDING THERETO ARTICLE VI, REGULATION OF ADULT AND SEXUALLY ORIENTED BUSINESSES; TO PROVIDE FOR THE LICENSING, HOURS OF OPERATION, LOCATION, AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO; AND TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH OR CONTRARY THERETO

**PRESENTATIONS OR APPEARANCES:**

Miss Lindsey Miller was given a proclamation declaring her as Mayor for a Day that entitled her to all rights, privileges, and honors pertaining thereto.

**READING & APPROVAL OF MINUTES / BILLS:**

Alderman Doré moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the September 10, 2002 regular council meeting; and approve them as written and distributed to each Alderman. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Melancon moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the October 5, 2002 special emergency council meeting; and approve them as written and distributed to each Alderman. Seconded by Alderman Doré and duly adopted.

Alderman Jones moved to approve all bills presented for payment. Seconded by Alderman Premeaux and duly adopted.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor de la Houssaye gave a detailed account of the damages caused by Hurricane Lili, expressed appreciation for the numerous people that have helped during and after the storm, explained the assistance available from FEMA and delivered plans for further removal of debris throughout the City.

The Mayor presented the Sales Tax Report and User Fee Report that compare current collections to collections from previous years.

### **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### **PUBLIC WORKS:**

Alderman Melancon moved to authorize the advertisement for bids on a stump grinder. Seconded by Alderman Pete and duly adopted

Alderman Melancon moved to authorize Partial Payment No. 5 in the amount of \$4,886.37 to R. E. Heidt for the Release of Retainage under the construction contract for 2001-2002 Annual Materials and Street Repair Work. Seconded by Alderman Pete and duly adopted.

Alderman Melancon moved to authorize the inclusion of the Eastern Avenue (east side from 7<sup>th</sup> Street to 8<sup>th</sup> Street) Drainage Improvements in the Northview Lane Drainage/Third Street Pavement Improvements Project. Seconded by Alderman Pete and duly adopted.

Alderman Melancon moved to authorize Mader-Miers Engineering to survey the curbing on the north side of East Third Street between Avenues K & L. Seconded by Alderman Buatt and duly adopted.

Alderman Melancon moved to authorize Mader-Miers Engineering to survey and provide a cost estimate to replace pipe and driveway on East Hutchinson Avenue on the Southside between Eastern Avenue and Avenue L. Seconded by Alderman Pete and duly adopted.

### **UTILITY:**

Alderman Doré moved to approve Partial Payment No. 4 to B & K Construction Co. for the "North Crowley Pump Station and Collection Line Upgrade" project in the amount of \$173,012.11. Seconded by Alderman Thomas and duly adopted.

Alderman Doré moved to approve Change Order No. 1 to the contract with B & K Constructions Co. for the “North Crowley Pump Station and Collection Line Upgrades” project in the amount of \$5,527.66. Seconded by Alderman Thomas and duly adopted.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:**

Alderman Buatt offered a motion to approve the following applications for a new or renewal of a retail beer and liquor permits for the year 2003. Seconded by Alderman Premeaux and duly adopted.

Joe’s Hub Bar	2003 Class A – Retail Outlet Beer Permit
Ivy Joe Murphy	2003 Class A – Retail Outlet Liquor Permit
103 North Parkerson Avenue, Crowley, La.	
Rice City Liquor	2003 Class B - Retail Package Beer Permit
Patricia S. Istre	2003 Class B – Retail Package Liquor Permit
630 North Parkerson Avenue, Crowley, La.	
American Legion Millers Post #506	2003 Class A – Retail Outlet Beer Permit
Nelson J. Arceneaux	2003 Class A – Retail Outlet Liquor Permit
628 West 3 <sup>rd</sup> Street, Crowley, La.	
K & L Grocery	2003 Class B – Retail Package Beer Permit
Hong Enterprises, Inc.,	2003 Class B – Retail Package Liquor Permit
Hong Hung	
1510 W Hutchinson Avenue, Crowley, La.	
Bamboo Inn of Crowley, Inc.	2003 Class A – Retail Outlet Beer Permit
Sengdara Sanamixay	
1923 North Parkerson Avenue, Crowley, La.	
Circle K #351	2003 Class B – Retail Package Beer Permit
Robert J. Levina	2003 Class B – Retail Package Liquor Permit
North Hwy. 13, Crowley, La.	
Knights of Columbus Sacré Coueur #5499	2003 Class A – Retail Outlet Beer Permit
Michael McBride	
221 West Elm Street, Crowley, La.	
Bamboo Inn, Inc., d/b/a Express 90	2003 Class B – Retail Package Beer Permit
Linda Nguyen	
726 East 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street, Crowley, La.	
Winn-Dixie Store #1490	2003 Class B – Retail Package Beer Permit



**COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:**

Alderwoman Melancon moved to renew the contract with Sides and Associates for the Crowley Pride Campaign. Seconded by Alderman Buatt and duly adopted.

Alderman Istre offered a motion to authorize Mayor de la Houssaye to decide if conditions are safe for the International Rice Festival to be held as scheduled on October 17-20, 2002, after receiving recommendations from authorities. Seconded by Alderman Buatt and duly adopted.

**REVENUE & FINANCE:**

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Doré, seconded by Alderman Istre, and duly resolved and adopted.

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF  
ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA  
PARISH, LA, AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF THE  
LOUISIANA COMPLIANCE QUESTIONNAIRE

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley has received the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire as part of the financial and compliance order of Louisiana Governmental Units for the auditors 2001-2002 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Compliance Questionnaire has been completed and the answers to the questions provided as applicable to the City of Crowley; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen having reviewed the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire dated September 26, 2002 to Broussard, Poche, Lewis & Breaux, in connection with the audit of the financial statements for the year ending August 31, 2002

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, in regular session, duly convened, that they do hereby adopt the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire, dated September 26, 2002 to Broussard, Poche, Lewis & Breaux, in connection with the audit of the financial statements for the year ending August 31, 2002, which questionnaire is attached to this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that they do hereby authorize the execution thereof by the Honorable Judy Istre, City Clerk, Margaret Young, Administrative Assistant and the Honorable Isabella L. de la Houssaye, Mayor of the City of Crowley.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on this the 8<sup>th</sup> of October, 2002 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana

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ISABELLA L. DE LA HOUSSAYE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, CLERK

The following resolution was offered by Alderwoman Melancon, seconded by Alderman Buatt, and duly resolved and adopted.

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD  
OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY,  
ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, RATIFYING  
AND CONFIRMING THE CONTRACT FOR  
REMOVAL CLEANUP AND DISPOSAL OF  
HURRICANE DEBRIS

WHEREAS, on October 3, 2002, an extraordinary emergency was declared by the City of Crowley due to Hurricane Lily; and

WHEREAS, Honorable Isabella L. de la Houssaye, the Mayor for the City of Crowley, was authorized to solicit quotations for emergency cleanup, removal and disposal of vegetative debris and restoration work in the City of Crowley; and

WHEREAS, in response to the solicitation for quotations the City received proposals from several contractors for said work; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Attorney reviewed the proposals submitted, interviewed the contractors, reviewed qualifications and obtained references as part of the process; and

WHEREAS, a determination was made that the proposal submitted by Grubbs Environmental Services, LLC represented the most reasonable price for the services, represented fair and reasonable value for those services and the qualifications and references which were provided demonstrated the ability of the company to carry out and perform those services in an appropriate and timely manner under the circumstances;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, in regular session, duly convened that they do hereby ratify and confirm the contract of Grubbs Environmental Services, LLC executed by the

Honorable Isabella L. de la Houssaye, Mayor of the City of Crowley, for emergency cleanup, removal and disposal of vegetative debris and restoration work for the City of Crowley, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all necessary funds be and they are hereby appropriated from the sales tax fund balance for payment of said contract services.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session on this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2002, at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

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ISABELLA L. DE LA HOUSSAYE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, CLERK

There being no further business to come before the Council upon motion duly made and seconded the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

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ISABELLA L. DE LA HOUSSAYE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

Presented rough draft to Mayor on October 9, 2002 at 4:00 p.m.

Presented for Mayor's signature on October 12, 2002 at 1:30 p.m.

Mayor Signed & returned to City Clerk on October      , 2002 at      .m.