

CITY OF CROWLEY
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 9, 2011

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 9th day of August, 2011 at the regular meeting place of said Mayor and Board of Aldermen, the Council Chambers, 426 North Avenue F, Crowley, Louisiana.

Mayor Greg A. Jones presided with the following Aldermen present: Bryan Borill, J. Elliot Doré, Jeff Doré, Lyle Fogleman Jr., Vernon Martin, Mary Melancon, Steven Premeaux and Kitty Valdetero. Alderwoman Laurita Pete was absent.

Alderman Steven Premeaux led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and Mayor Jones gave the invocation.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS:

Alderman Elliot Doré offered a motion to amend the agenda to consider Mr. Donald Delco on tall grass concerns and Mr. Clifford Winbush on the center ditch. Seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon and duly adopted after a unanimous vote.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- 1) Mayor Greg A. Jones opened the public hearing on proposed Ordinance No. 1424, the ordinance was read by title as follows:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGETS FOR THE CITY OF CROWLEY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR, BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1, 2010 AND ENDING AUGUST 31, 2011; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO; AND TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT OR IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.

Mr. Regan asked for proponents to the proposed ordinance no. 1424. A third and final call was made with no one coming forward to speak.

The call for opponents of the proposed ordinance no. 1424 was made and there were no comments after the third and final call.

Mayor Greg A. Jones called the public hearing on ordinance no. 1424 to a close.

- 2) Mayor Greg A. Jones opened the public hearing on proposed ordinance no. 1426, the ordinance was read by title as follows:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND RE-ENACT SECTION 14-23(d) OF CHAPTER 14 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA BY ADDING THERETO SUBSECTION (5) TO DESIGNATE TEXAS STREET AND HUVAL STREET AS A THREE (3) WAY STOP INTERSECTION AND SUBSECTION (6) TO DESIGNATE TEXAS STREET AND STUTES STREET AS A

THREE (3) WAY STOP INTERSECTION; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES CONTRARY THERETO OR IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

Mr. Regan asked for proponents to the proposed ordinance no. 1426. A third and final call was made with no one coming forward to speak.

The call for opponents of the proposed ordinance no. 1426 was made and there were no comments after the third and final call.

Mayor Greg A. Jones called the public hearing on ordinance no. 1426 to a close.

- 3) Mayor Greg A. Jones opened the public hearing on proposed ordinance no. 1427, the ordinance was read by title as follows:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 1420 ORDERING AND CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE CITY OF CROWLEY, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TO AUTHORIZE THE REDEDICATION OF A SALES AND USE TAX CURRENTLY BEING LEVIED THEREIN; TO PROVIDE FOR ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE IN THE PROPOSITION STATING THE ESTIMATED ANNUAL REVENUES TO BE COLLECTED; TO PROVIDE FOR THE PROVISIONS HEREOF TO BE SEVERABLE; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT THERETO OR IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL OTHER MATTERS RELATIVE OR PERTAINING THERETO.

Mr. Regan asked for proponents to the proposed ordinance no. 1427. A third and final call was made with no one coming forward to speak.

The call for opponents of the proposed ordinance no. 1427 was made and there were no comments after the third and final call.

Mayor Greg A. Jones called the public hearing on ordinance no. 1427 to a close.

READING & APPROVAL OF MINUTES / BILLS:

Alderman Steven Premeaux moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the July 12th, 2011 regular council meeting and approve them as written and distributed. Seconded by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Bryan Borill moved to approve all bills presented for payment. Seconded by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and duly adopted.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Greg A. Jones presented the Sales Tax chart and User Fee chart that track the collection trend.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

Chairperson – Alderwoman Mary Melancon
Vice-Chairperson – Alderwoman Laurita Pete
Members – Aldermen Jeff Doré, Lyle Fogleman, Jr. and Vernon Martin

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Mary Melancon and seconded by Alderman Lyle Fogleman to award the materials contracts for the first 6 months of FY 2011-12 per Mader Engineering, Inc. bid tabulation spreadsheet. Motion carried.

UTILITY COMMITTEE:

Chairperson – Alderman Vernon Martin
Vice-Chairperson – Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero
Members – Aldermen J. Elliot Doré, Jeff Doré, and Lyle Fogleman, Jr.

A motion was offered by Alderman Vernon Martin and seconded by Alderman J. Elliot Doré to approve Partial Payment No. 4 in the amount \$25,155.97 for the Release of Retainage to Hemphill Construction Company under the contract for the main Pump Station Rehabilitation project. Motion carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

Chairperson – Alderman Lyle Fogleman, Jr.
Vice-Chairperson – Alderman Bryan Borill
Members – Aldermen Vernon Martin, Mary Melancon and Steven Premeaux

A motion was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to table the call for a public hearing to proceed with condemnation of the property described as Lot 15 & N 40' of Lot 16, Block 18, Original Crowley located at 406 East 2nd Street owned by Virgie M. Muller. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to enter into a cooperative agreement with the Acadia Parish Police Jury to collect fees for fire service in areas outside of the city limits. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman and seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin to authorize the Mayor to negotiate with the Acadia Parish Police Jury to collect fees for fire service in areas outside of the city limits. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to approve the application for a new 2011 Class B Retail Package Beer Permit and a Class B Retail Package Liquor Permit for Fyez A. Alawi D/B/A Fat Boy, located at 324 West 2nd Street, Crowley. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman and seconded by Alderman J. Elliot Doré to approve the application for a new 2011 Class A Retail Outlet Beer Permit for Zhu Ying Bright D/B/A Asian Buffet, located at 2108 North Parkerson Avenue, Crowley. Motion carried.

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

Chairperson – Alderman Jeff Doré
Vice-Chairperson – Alderwoman Mary Melancon
Members – Aldermen Bryan Borill, Laurita Pete and Kitty Valdetero

A motion was offered by Alderman Jeff Doré and seconded by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero to set a time limit of 3 minutes for addressing the Mayor and Board of Aldermen at a regular Council meeting. This will be done on an individual basis. This does not pertain to business proposals. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Jeff Doré and seconded by Alderman J. Elliot Doré to provide that individuals as well as topics for discussion must be placed on the Agenda of the regular Council meeting in order to be recognized. Motion carried.

RECREATION COMMITTEE:

Chairperson – Alderman Steven Premeaux
Vice-Chairperson – Alderman J. Elliot Doré
Members – Aldermen Lyle Fogleman, Jr., Mary Melancon and Laurita Pete

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin to table a Resolution approving the final plans and specifications on September 28, 2011 11:30 o'clock a.m. at City Hall for the bid opening of the "Glady Trahan Tennis Centre" project. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS:

The following resolution was offered by Alderwoman Mary Melancon, duly seconded by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero, and adopted.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, AUTHORIZING A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT (LDOTD) FOR THE ROADWAY LIGHTING SYSTEM AT THE INTERSECTION OF INTERSTATE 10 (I-10) AND LOUISIANA HIGHWAY 1111 (LA 1111); AND TO PROVIDE ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley ("City") and the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development ("LDOTD") entered into a Cooperative Agreement to design, construct, operate and maintain a roadway lighting system located at the intersection of I-10 at LA 1111, Exit 82; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Cooperative Agreement, the City of Crowley engaged professional engineering services for conceptual design, preparation of plans and specifications for construction of the proposed project at its sole cost; and

WHEREAS, the City solicited funds from Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. and Lowe's Home Centers, Inc. for construction purposes and remitted those funds to the LDOTD under the Amended Cooperative Agreement to be used for construction purposes only; and

WHEREAS, LDOTD approved the design, construction plans and specifications, advertisement for bids, executed a construction contract and construction was completed per the plans and specifications; and

WHEREAS, LDOTD scheduled an on-site meeting for final inspection and demonstration of the system by the contractor which included representatives and engineers of the City of Crowley and its Public Works Department and the LDOTD executed a final acceptance of the project; and

WHEREAS, the original Cooperative Agreement and Amended Cooperative Agreement contemplated that upon completion and final acceptance of the project, the City would assume all responsibility for the system, including garde and all legal liability therefor, providing energy for the operation of the lighting, maintenance, repair and replacement for the useful life of the system;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, in regular session duly convened that they do hereby authorize the Honorable Greg A. Jones, Mayor of the City of Crowley, to execute a Cooperative Agreement with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (LDOTD) to accept all responsibility for the system, including garde and all legal liability therefor, providing energy for the operation of the lighting, maintenance, repair and replacement at the sole expense of the City for the useful life of the system or for so long as the right of way upon which the project is located remains in the State Highway System, whichever occurs first.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 9th day of August, 2011 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, at which a quorum was present and acting throughout.

GREG A. JONES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Vernon Martin, duly seconded by Alderman Bryan Borill, and adopted.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, AUTHORIZING A LEASE TO THE ASSIST AGENCY FOR OFFICE SPACE IN THE CROWLEY ENTERPRISE CENTER LOCATED AT 11 NORTH PARKERSON AVENUE, CROWLEY, LOUISIANA; TO PROVIDE FOR THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS PROVIDED THEREIN; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

WHEREAS, the “Assist Agency” is a participant in the Local Work Force Investment program known as the “Louisiana One Stop Program” and has been a lessee in the Crowley Enterprise Center located at 11 North Parkerson Avenue, Crowley, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the “Assist Agency” is funded by annual appropriations from the State of Louisiana and the United States of America to provide assistance to low and moderate income individuals and to improve employment opportunities, education and other public services; and

WHEREAS, the “Assist Agency” has requested renewal of the annual lease on the same terms and conditions and the City of Crowley desires to renew the lease;

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 authorize, empower and direct the Honorable Greg A. Jones, Mayor of the City of Crowley, to execute a lease to the Assist Agency of approximately 3,121 square feet office space in the Crowley Enterprise Center with 50 parking spaces provided, located at 11 North Parkerson Avenue, Crowley, Louisiana, for use as office space by the Assist Agency at the rate of \$11.5283 per square foot per annum the said lease to include the following terms and conditions, to-wit:

1. A term of one year effective on the 1st day of September, 2011 and ending on the 31st day of August, 2012;
2. Monthly payments in the amount of \$2,998.32;
3. A non-appropriation clause in favor of the lessee;
4. All other terms and conditions of the said lease shall remain the same as the prior lease of the facility;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Honorable Greg A. Jones, Mayor, be and he is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute any and all necessary documents and certifications in connection with the said transaction as may be meet and proper in the premises.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 9th day of August, 2011, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

GREG A. JONES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

The following resolution was offered by Alderwoman Mary Melancon, duly seconded by Alderman Jeff Doré, and adopted.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, AN APPLICATION TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2011 - 2012 OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT'S LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, PERTAINING TO THE PURCHASE OF A DUMP TRUCK FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley wishes to submit an application to the Fiscal Year 2011 - 2012 Office of Community Development's Local Government Assistance Program; and

WHEREAS, the City has determined that the Public Works Department is in great need of a new dump truck for the proper operation and maintenance of streets and drainage throughout the city; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen agree that the purchase of a new dump truck for the Public Works Department would be most beneficial for effective service to the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Crowley that the Mayor of said City be, and he is hereby empowered, authorized and directed to prepare and submit to the Office of Community Development's Local Government Assistance Program for and on behalf of the City of Crowley a Grant Application Fiscal Year 2011 - 2012 for the Purchase of a New Dump Truck for the Public Works Department, and to execute same on behalf of the City of Crowley and by his signature to enter into any and all contractual obligations on behalf of the City of Crowley under this program.

THEREUPON, the above resolution was duly adopted.

GREG A. JONES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 1424, was previously introduced at the regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley on the 12th day of July 2011, published by title in the official journal of the City, and a public hearing held thereon on August 9th, 2011.

The following Ordinance was offered by Alderman J. Elliot Doré, duly seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin and duly ordained and adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 1424

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGETS FOR THE CITY OF CROWLEY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR, BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1, 2010 AND ENDING AUGUST 31, 2011; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO; AND TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT OR IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, the proposed Amended Operating Budgets and the accompanying budget ordinance have been submitted to this Board of Aldermen for review and consideration; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance has been duly introduced and notice of this ordinance and notice of public hearing having been published; and

WHEREAS, notice of a public hearing by the City of Crowley on the proposed Amended Operating Budgets and notice of the availability of the proposed amended budgets for review have been timely published in the official journal, the Crowley Post Signal; and

WHEREAS, the public hearing having been held in accordance with the law on the 9th day of August, 2011 at 6:00 o'clock p.m. at City Hall on the proposed Amended Operating Budgets have now been reviewed and considered; now.

THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, in Regular Session, duly convened on the 9th day of August, 2011 that the following Amended Operating Budgets are hereby approved, adopted and finalized.

Account Name	Adopted 2010-11 Budget	Amendment	Amended 2010-11 Budget
General Fund Budget			
Revenues			
Licenses & Permits	545,550	11,700	557,250
Grants	59,500	20,699	80,199
Intergovernmental	461,000	(41,750)	419,250
Fines & Fees	205,000	17,000)	188,000
Investment Income	80,000	(43,275)	36,725
Police Expenditure			

Capital Outlays	24,000	39,286	63,286
Other Expense		17,100	73,700
Street Expenditure			
Capital Outlays	300,000	(140,000)	160,000
Non Departmental Expenditure			
Operational Expense	18,750	(18,750)	0
Youth Recreation Operation Budget			
Revenues			
Intergovernmental	12,000	(4,750)	7,250
Charges for Services	161,500	110,000	271,500
Rentals	42,000	7,000	49,000
Other Revenues	150	7,500	7,650
Expenditure			
Salary & Fringe	411,850	39,225	451,075
Repairs & Supplies	223,500	36,000	259,500
Operational Expense	68,075	53,000	121,075
Telephone & Utilities	62,000	24,000	86,000
Other Expense	29,345	11,000	40,345
Youth Recreation Building Maintenance Budget			
Revenues			
Other Revenues	100,000	(25,000)	75,000
Expenditure			
Capital Outlays	104,250	(15,000)	89,250
Rice City Civic Center Budget			
Revenues			
Charges for Services	13,350	4,475	17,825
Rentals	10,250	500	10,750
Expenditure			
Salary & Fringe	20,450	2,000	22,450
Repairs & Supplies	14,000	4,000	18,000
Utility Fund - Sewage Budget			
Revenues			
Grants & Loans	115,000	20,000	235,000
Charges for Services	1,753,225	(50,000)	1,703,225
Disposal Expenditure			
Repairs & Supplies	90,000	(25,000)	65,000
Sewage Expenditure			
Salary & Fringe	101,175	6,100	107,275
Repairs & Supplies	180,000	35,000	215,000
Employee Benefit Plan Budget			
Revenues			
Charges for Services	941,625	(110,000)	831,625
Expenditures			
Operational Expense	227,000	100,000	327,000
Insurance Claims	1,290,825	9,175	1,300,000
Workmen's Compensation Budget			
Expenditures			
Insurance Claims	183,075	(48,000)	135,075

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, the amounts shall be available for expenditures only to the extent and only as included within the amended 2010-2011 fiscal budget,

however nothing shall be construed to prohibit the Governing Authority from making amendments to the budget.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, the Mayor of the City of Crowley, Greg A. Jones, is hereby authorized and in his sole discretion, to make such changes within the various budget classifications as he may deem necessary.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, if any provision, part, word, section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance should be held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance and do hereby declare the provisions hereof, to be severable, then in that event, only that particular provision, part, word, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase shall be deemed unconstitutional or invalid and the remaining provisions, parts, words, sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases will not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with or in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

THUS AMENDED, APPROVED, ADOPTED AND FINALIZED on this the 9th day of August, 2011 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, after a roll call vote as follows:

YEAS: Bryan Borill, J. Elliot Doré, Jeff Doré, Lyle Fogleman, Vernon Martin, Mary Melancon, Steven Premeaux and Kitty Valdetero

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Laurita Pete

GREG A. JONES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

Ordinance No. 1425, was previously introduced at the regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley on the 12th day of July 2011, published by title in the official journal of the City, and a public hearing held thereon on August 2nd, 2011.

Alderman Vernon Martin state that the main street program was not deleted from the fiscal 2012 budget but was furloughed.

The following Ordinance was offered by Alderman J. Elliot Doré, duly seconded by Alderman Steven Premeaux and duly ordained and adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 1425

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING, FINALIZING AND IMPLEMENTING THE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGETS OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE CITY OF CROWLEY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR, BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1, 2011 AND ENDING AUGUST 31, 2012; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO; AND TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT OR IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, Greg A. Jones, in his capacity as Mayor of the City of Crowley prepared the proposed Operating Budgets for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2011 and ending

August 31, 2012, which was accompanied by a budget message and summary description of the budget and a budget adoption ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Operating Budgets and the accompanying budget ordinance have been submitted to this Board of Aldermen for review and consideration; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance has been duly introduced and notice of this ordinance and notice of public hearing having been published; and

WHEREAS, notice of a public hearing by the City of Crowley on the proposed Operating Budgets and notice of the availability of the proposed budgets for review have been timely published in the official journal, the Crowley Post Signal; and

WHEREAS, the public hearing been held in accordance with the law on the 2nd day of August, 2011 at 4:00 o'clock p.m. at Council Chambers on the proposed Operating Budgets have now been reviewed and considered; now.

THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, in Regular Session, duly convened on the 9th day of August, 2011 that the following Annual Operating Budgets are hereby approved, adopted and finalized.

CITY OF CROWLEY
2012 ANNUAL BUDGET

<u>GENERAL FUND</u>	Budget
<u>Revenues</u>	Fiscal 2012
Ad Valorem Tax	1,454,550
Franchise Taxes	905,500
Licenses & Permits	535,650
Grants	24,000
Intergovernmental	485,000
Charges for Services	35,780
Fines & Fees	245,000
Investment Income	80,000
Rentals	78,055
Other Revenues	<u>88,050</u>
Total Revenues	3,931,585
<u>Expenditures</u>	
<u>General Government</u>	
<u>General Administration</u>	
Salary & Fringe	666,560
Repairs & Supplies	53,500
Operational Expense	226,400
Telephone & Utilities	29,000
Other Expense	<u>57,260</u>
Total General Administration	1,032,720
<u>Court Department</u>	
Salary & Fringe	202,950
Repairs & Supplies	5,500
Operational Expense	11,075
Transfers & Appropriations	20,000
Telephone & Utilities	2,600
Other Expense	<u>6,100</u>
Total Court Department	248,225
<u>Public Safety</u>	
<u>Police Department</u>	
Salary & Fringe	2,144,235
Repairs & Supplies	176,700
Operational Expense	308,675
Telephone & Utilities	49,000
Capital Outlay	24,000
Other Expense	<u>56,000</u>

Total Police Department	2,758,610
<u>Fire Department</u>	
Salary & Fringe	1,895,075
Repairs & Supplies	89,500
Operational Expense	69,700
Transfers & Appropriation	6,000
Telephone & Utilities	42,500
Other Expense	<u>4,500</u>
Total Fire Department	2,107,275
<u>Code Enforcement</u>	
Salary & Fringe	248,975
Repairs & Supplies	33,000
Operational Expense	19,025
Telephone & Utilities	7,000
Other Expense	<u>36,475</u>
Total Code Enforcement	344,475
 <u>Public Works</u>	
<u>Street Department</u>	
Salary & Fringe	481,970
Repairs & Supplies	202,500
Operational Expense	54,100
Telephone & Utilities	225,700
Capital Outlay	300,000
Other Expense	<u>18,300</u>
Total Street Department	1,282,570
<u>Public Building & Drainage</u>	
Salary & Fringe	362,740
Repairs & Supplies	64,750
Operational Expense	35,000
Telephone & Utilities	36,000
Capital Outlay	10,000
Other Expense	<u>8,350</u>
Total Public Bldg. & Drainage	516,840
<u>Non Departmental</u>	
Operational Expense	-
Transfers & Appropriations	1,000
Economic Development	75,000
Debt Service	<u>982,251</u>
Total Non Departmental	1,058,251
 Total General Fund Expenditures	9,348,966
 Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(5,417,381)
 <u>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</u>	
Transfers In	5,065,060
Transfers Out	<u>3,000</u>
Total Other Financing Source	5,062,060
 Excess (Deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over expenditures and other financing uses	(355,321)
 Fund Balance Fiscal 2010	2,782,107
Estimated Fund Balance Fiscal 2011	3,134,717
Proposed Fund Balance Fiscal 2012	2,779,396
 <u>1 & 1/2 CENT SALES TAX</u>	
<u>Revenues</u>	
Sales Tax	3,900,000
Investment Income	<u>23,000</u>
Total Revenues	3,923,000
<u>Expenditures</u>	

Operational Expense	61,500
Debt Service	<u>250,000</u>
Total Expenditures	311,500

Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over expenditures 3,611,500

Other Financing Sources (Uses)

Transfers Out	<u>3,611,500</u>
Total Other Financing Sources	3,611,500

Excess (Deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over expenditures and other financing uses 0

Fund Balance Fiscal 2010	1,286,467
Estimated Fund Balance Fiscal 2011	1,525,907
Proposed Fund Balance Fiscal 2012	1,525,907

1/2 CENT SALES TAX-SALARY

Revenues

Sales Tax	1,300,000
Investment Income	<u>200</u>
Total Revenues	1,300,200

Expenditures

Operational Expense	23,500
Other Expense	<u>1,095</u>
Total Expenditures	24,595

Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over expenditures 1,275,605

Other Financing Sources (Uses)

Transfers Out	<u>1,275,605</u>
Total Other Financing Sources	1,275,605

Excess (Deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over expenditures and other financing uses 0

Fund Balance Fiscal 2010	248,511
Estimated Fund Balance Fiscal 2011	250,911
Proposed Fund Balance Fiscal 2012	250,911

1/2 CENT SALES TAX-STREET IMPROVEMENT

Revenues

Sales Tax	1,300,000
Investment Income	<u>53,000</u>
Total Revenues	1,353,000

Expenditures

Operational Expense	<u>21,100</u>
Total Expenditures	21,100

Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over expenditures 1,331,900

Other Financing Sources (Uses)

Transfers Out	<u>1,234,655</u>
Total Other Financing Sources	1,234,655

Excess (Deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over expenditures and other financing uses 97,245

Fund Balance Fiscal 2010	4,957,766
Estimated Fund Balance Fiscal 2011	4,532,436
Proposed Fund Balance Fiscal 2012	4,629,681

MOTOR VEHICLE FACILITY

<u>Revenues</u>	
Charges for Services	64,000
Investment Income	<u>200</u>
Total Revenues	64,200
<u>Expenditures</u>	
Repairs & Supplies	6,300
Operational Expense	11,325
Telephone & Utilities	6,000
Other Expense	<u>2,075</u>
Total Expenditures	25,700
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	38,500
<u>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</u>	
Transfers Out	<u>38,500</u>
Total Other Financing Sources	38,500
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over expenditures and other financing uses	0
Fund Balance Fiscal 2010	43,090
Estimated Fund Balance Fiscal 2011	43,861
Proposed Fund Balance Fiscal 2012	43,861

YOUTH RECREATION OPERATIONS

<u>Revenues</u>	
Ad Valorem Tax	198,345
Grants	0
Intergovernmental	0
Charges for Services	162,500
Investment Income	250
Rentals	42,000
Other Revenues	<u>150</u>
Total Revenues	403,245
<u>Expenditures</u>	
Salary & Fringe	353,700
Repairs & Supplies	193,250
Operational Expense	62,450
Telephone & Utilities	79,000
Debt Service	35,738
Other Expense	<u>17,832</u>
Total Expenditures	741,970
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(338,725)
<u>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</u>	
Transfers In	<u>338,725</u>
Total Other Financing Sources	338,725
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over expenditures and other financing uses	0
Fund Balance Fiscal 2010	144,045
Estimated Fund Balance Fiscal 2011	197,280
Proposed Fund Balance Fiscal 2012	197,280

YOUTH RECREATION BLDG. MAINTENANCE

<u>Revenues</u>	
Ad Valorem Tax	66,115
Investment Income	250
Other Revenues	<u>300,000</u>
Total Revenues	366,365

<u>Expenditures</u>	
Salary & Fringe	67,650
Repairs & Supplies	90,000
Operational Expense	4,500
Capital Outlay	300,000
Debt Service	12,211
Other Expense	<u>9,134</u>
Total Expenditures	483,495
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(117,130)
<u>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</u>	
Transfers In	<u>117,130</u>
Total Other Financing Sources	117,130
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over expenditures and other financing uses	0
Fund Balance Fiscal 2010	130,943
Estimated Fund Balance Fiscal 2011	121,433
Proposed Fund Balance Fiscal 2012	121,433

CEMETERY

<u>Revenues</u>	
Ad Valorem Tax	49,585
Investment Income	<u>2,200</u>
Total Revenues	51,785
<u>Expenditures</u>	
Salary & Fringe	45,985
Repairs & Supplies	300
Operational Expense	4,325
Telephone & Utilities	1,000
Other Expense	<u>175</u>
Total Expenditures	51,785
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	0
Fund Balance Fiscal 2010	184,257
Estimated Fund Balance Fiscal 2011	184,287
Proposed Fund Balance Fiscal 2012	184,287

CEMETERY DEVELOPMENT

<u>Revenues</u>	
Charges for Services	<u>3,375</u>
Total Revenues	3,375
<u>Expenditures</u>	
Repairs & Supplies	3,000
Operational Expense	325
Other Expense	<u>50</u>
Total Expenditures	3,375
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	0
Fund Balance Fiscal 2010	10,459
Estimated Fund Balance Fiscal 2011	13,684
Proposed Fund Balance Fiscal 2012	13,684

INDUSTRIAL INDUCEMENT

<u>Revenues</u>	
Investment Income	<u>8,500</u>
Total Revenues	8,500
<u>Expenditures</u>	

Operational Expense	<u>350</u>
Total Expenditures	350
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	8,150
Fund Balance Fiscal 2010	539,032
Estimated Fund Balance Fiscal 2011	547,232
Proposed Fund Balance Fiscal 2012	555,382

RICE CITY CIVIC CENTER

Revenues

Charges for Services	10,500
Rentals	<u>18,500</u>
Total Revenues	29,000

Expenditures

Salary & Fringe	23,115
Repairs & Supplies	14,000
Operational Expense	2,525
Telephone & Utilities	18,750
Debt Service	7,782
Other Expense	<u>7,828</u>
Total Expenditures	74,000

Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over expenditures (45,000)

Other Financing Sources (Uses)

Transfers In	<u>45,000</u>
Total Other Financing Sources	45,000

Excess (Deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over expenditures and other financing uses 0

Fund Balance Fiscal 2010	13,535
Estimated Fund Balance Fiscal 2011	26,328
Proposed Fund Balance Fiscal 2012	26,328

MAIN STREET

Revenues

Grants	0
Charges for Services	0
Other Revenues	<u>0</u>
Total Revenues	0

Expenditures

Salary & Fringe	0
Repairs & Supplies	0
Operational Expense	0
Telephone & Utilities	0
Other Expense	<u>0</u>
Total Expenditures	0

Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over expenditures 0

Other Financing Sources (Uses)

Transfers In	<u>0</u>
Total Other Financing Sources	0

Excess (Deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over expenditures and other financing uses 0

Fund Balance Fiscal 2010	33,144
Estimated Fund Balance Fiscal 2011	36,564
Proposed Fund Balance Fiscal 2012	36,564

UTILITY FUND - SEWAGE

Revenues

Ad Valorem Taxes	231,405
Charges for Services	1,748,000
Investment Income	20,000
Other Revenues	<u>3,000</u>
Total Revenues	2,002,405

Expenditures

Sewage Utility Administration

Salary & Fringe	92,735
Repairs & Supplies	8,500
Operational Expense	103,500
Telephone & Utilities	106,000
Debt Service	229,192
Depreciation	1,056,242
Other Expense	<u>27,132</u>
Total Sewage Administration	1,623,301

Disposal Department

Salary & Fringe	30,515
Repairs & Supplies	90,000
Operational Expense	58,000
Other Expense	<u>5,300</u>
Total Disposal Department	183,815

Sewer Department

Salary & Fringe	106,650
Repairs & Supplies	181,000
Operational Expense	17,775
Other Expense	<u>500</u>
Total Sewer Department	305,925

Inflow / Infiltration

Salary & Fringe	130,885
Repairs & Supplies	11,000
Operational Expense	6,000
Other Expense	<u>250</u>
Total Inflow / Infiltration	148,135

Sewer Cleaner Department

Salary & Fringe	32,345
Repairs & Supplies	6,500
Operational Expense	2,500
Other Expense	<u>126</u>
Total Sewer Cleaner Department	41,471

Total Utilities Expenditures 2,302,647

Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over expenditures/Depreciation (300,242)

Other Financing Sources (Uses)

Transfers Out	606,260
Transfers In	<u>606,260</u>
Total Other Financing Sources	0

Excess (Deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over expenditures and other financing uses (300,242)

Current Assets	455,000
Current Liabilities	301,000

Excess (Deficiency) - Depreciation (1,056,242)

Fund Balance Fiscal 2010	11,795,991
Estimated Fund Balance Fiscal 2011	11,910,306
Proposed Fund Balance Fiscal 2012	10,854,064

INDUSTRIAL PLANT

<u>Revenues</u>		
Total Revenues		0
<u>Expenditures</u>		
Total Expenditures		0
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over expenditures		0
Fund Balance Fiscal 2010		20,004
Estimated Fund Balance Fiscal 2011		20,004
Proposed Fund Balance Fiscal 2012		20,004

LCDBG

<u>Revenues</u>		
Grants & Loans		<u>0</u>
Total Revenues		0
<u>Expenditures</u>		
Capital Outlay		<u>0</u>
Total Expenditures		0
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over expenditures		0
Fund Balance Fiscal 2010		0
Estimated Fund Balance Fiscal 2011		0
Proposed Fund Balance Fiscal 2012		0

EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN

<u>Revenues</u>		
Charges for Services		914,245
Investment Income		325
Other Revenues		<u>135,000</u>
Total Revenues		1,049,570
<u>Expenditures</u>		
Operational Expense		219,570
Insurance Claims		<u>830,000</u>
Total Expenditures		1,049,570
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over expenditures		0
Fund Balance Fiscal 2010		211,296
Estimated Fund Balance Fiscal 2011		38,421
Proposed Fund Balance Fiscal 2012		38,421

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION

<u>Revenues</u>		
Charges for Services		294,260
Investment Income		<u>2,000</u>
Total Revenues		296,260
<u>Expenditures</u>		
Operational Expense		133,200
Insurance Claims		163,000
Other Expense		<u>60</u>
Total Expenditures		296,260
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over expenditures		0
Fund Balance Fiscal 2010		285,156
Estimated Fund Balance Fiscal 2011		334,530
Proposed Fund Balance Fiscal 2012		334,530

COLLISION & LOSS

<u>Revenues</u>	
Investment Income	1,500
Total Revenues	1,500
<u>Expenditures</u>	
Operational Expense	15,500
Insurance Claims	86,000
Total Expenditures	101,500
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(100,000)
<u>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</u>	
Transfers In	100,000
Total Other Financing Sources	100,000
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over expenditures and other financing uses	0
Fund Balance Fiscal 2010	0
Estimated Fund Balance Fiscal 2011	0
Proposed Fund Balance Fiscal 2012	0

SALES TAX BOND SINKING FUND-1997 STREET IMP.

<u>Revenues</u>	
Investment Income	0
Total Revenues	0
<u>Expenditures</u>	
Operational Expense	1,000
Debt Service	496,345
Total Expenditures	497,345
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(497,345)
<u>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</u>	
Transfers In	497,345
Total Other Financing Sources	497,345
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over expenditures and other financing uses	0
Fund Balance Fiscal 2010	196,375
Estimated Fund Balance Fiscal 2011	682,097
Proposed Fund Balance Fiscal 2012	682,097

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, the amounts shall be available for expenditures only to the extent and only as included within the 2011-2012 fiscal budget, however nothing shall be construed to prohibit the Governing Authority from making amendments to the budget.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, the Mayor of the City of Crowley, Greg A. Jones, is hereby authorized and in his sole discretion, to make such changes within the various budget classifications as he may deem necessary.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, if any provision, part, word, section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance should be held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance and do hereby declare the provisions hereof, to be severable, then in that event, only that particular provision, part, word, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase shall be deemed unconstitutional or invalid and the remaining provisions, parts, words, sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases will not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with or in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

THUS APPROVED, ADOPTED AND FINALIZED on this the 9th day of August, 2011 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, after a roll call vote as follows:

YEAS: Bryan Borill, J. Elliot Doré, Jeff Doré, Lyle Fogleman, Vernon Martin, Mary Melancon, Steven Premeaux and Kitty Valdetero

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Laurita Pete

GREG A. JONES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

Ordinance No. 1426, was previously introduced at the regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley on the 12th day of July 2011, published by title in the official journal of the City, and a public hearing held thereon on August 9th, 2011.

The following Ordinance was offered by Alderman J. Elliot Doré, duly seconded by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and duly ordained and adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 1426

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND RE-ENACT SECTION 14-23(d) OF CHAPTER 14 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA BY ADDING THERETO SUBSECTION (5) TO DESIGNATE TEXAS STREET AND HUVAL STREET AS A THREE (3) WAY STOP INTERSECTION AND SUBSECTION (6) TO DESIGNATE TEXAS STREET AND STUTES STREET AS A THREE (3) WAY STOP INTERSECTION; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES CONTRARY THERETO OR IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

WHEREAS, this ordinance has been duly introduced and notice of this ordinance and notice of public hearing having been published; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing having been held in accordance with law on the 9th day of August, 2011, at 6:00 o'clock p.m. at City Hall, Crowley, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that Texas Street and Huval Street be designated a three way stop intersection and added to the Code of Ordinances of the City of Crowley; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that Texas Street and Stutes Street be designated a three way stop intersection and added to the Code of Ordinances of the City of Crowley;

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:

SECTION 1: That Section 14-23(d) be amended and re-enacted to add Subsection (5) to designate Texas Street and Huval Street as a three way stop intersection and to add Subsection (6) to designate Texas Street and Stutes Street as a three way stop intersection to read as follows, to-wit:

Sec.14-23. Right-of-way streets; four-way stop intersections.

(d) *Three-way stop intersections.* Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein provided, the following described intersections shall be three-way stop intersections and each operator of a motor vehicle, upon approaching such intersection, shall bring such driver's vehicle to a complete stop and shall remain stopped until any vehicle previously stopped at the intersection has proceeded through such intersection, and thereafter, the drivers of vehicles on the intersecting streets shall, after stopping, alternate in proceeding through such intersection:

- (1) Avenue F and 12th Street
- (2) East Fifteenth Street and the intersection of the west right of way line of Avenue G
- (3) Western Avenue and Mill Street
- (4) Northern Avenue and William Egan Avenue
- (5) Texas Street and Huval Street
- (6) Texas Street and Stutes Street

SECTION 2: If any provision, part, word, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance and do hereby declare the provisions hereof to be severable, then in that event, only that particular provision, part, word, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase shall be deemed unconstitutional or invalid and the remaining provisions, parts, words, sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases will not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect.

SECTION 3: All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with or in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

THUS DONE, SIGNED AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on this the 9th day of August, 2011, at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, after a roll call vote as follows:

YEAS: Bryan Borill, J. Elliot Doré, Jeff Doré, Lyle Fogleman, Vernon Martin, Mary Melancon, Steven Premeaux and Kitty Valdetero

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Laurita Pete

GREG A. JONES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

The following ordinance, having been previously introduced at a regular meeting convened on July 12, 2011, published by title in the official journal of the City, and a public hearing held thereon on August 9, 2011, was offered for final adoption by Alderman Vernon Martin, and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon.

ORDINANCE NO. 1427

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 1420 ORDERING AND CALLING AN ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE CITY OF CROWLEY, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TO AUTHORIZE THE LEVY OF A SALES AND USE TAX THEREIN; TO PROVIDE FOR ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE IN THE PROPOSITION STATING THE ESTIMATED ANNUAL REVENUES TO BE COLLECTED; TO PROVIDE FOR THE PROVISIONS HEREOF TO BE SEVERABLE; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONSISTENT THERETO OR IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the City of Crowley, State of Louisiana (the "City"), that:

SECTION 1. Election Call. Subject to the approval of the State Bond Commission, and under the authority conferred by Article VI, Section 29 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, La. R.S. 33:9003, the applicable provisions of Chapter 5, Chapter 6-A and Chapter 6-B of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto, a special election is hereby called and ordered to be held in the City on October 22, 2011, between the hours of six o'clock (6:00) a.m. and eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541, and at the said election there shall be submitted to all registered voters qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and laws of this State and the Constitution of the United States, the following propositions, to-wit:

PROPOSITION NO. 1 SALES AND USE TAX LEVY

(City Infrastructure & Capital Improvements)

SUMMARY: ½%, 15 YEAR SALES AND USE TAX LEVY FOR ACQUIRING, CONSTRUCTING, MAINTAINING AND IMPROVING INFRASTRUCTURE AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THE CITY, WITH THE PROCEEDS OF THE TAX TO BE SUBJECT TO FUNDING INTO BONDS.

Shall the City of Crowley, State of Louisiana (the "City"), under the laws of Louisiana, be authorized to levy and collect, and adopt an ordinance providing for such levy and collection, a tax of one-half of one percent (1/2 of 1%) (an estimated \$1,334,888 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year) (the "Tax") upon the sale at retail, the use, the lease or rental, the consumption and the storage for use or consumption, of tangible personal property and on sales of services in the City, all as defined by law, for a period of fifteen (15) years from an effective first levy date of May 1, 2012, with the proceeds of the Tax to be dedicated and used for the purposes of acquiring, constructing, maintaining and improving infrastructure and capital improvements within the City; and further, shall the City be authorized to fund the proceeds of the Tax into bonds to be issued in series from time to time for any of the aforesaid capital purposes as permitted by the laws of Louisiana?

SECTION 2. Publication of Notice of Election. A Notice of Special Election shall be published in the "*Crowley Post-Signal*" a daily newspaper of general circulation within the City, published in Crowley, Louisiana, and being the official journal of the City, once a week for four consecutive weeks, with the first publication to be made not less than forty-five (45) days nor more than ninety (90) days prior to the date fixed for election, which Notice shall be substantially in the form attached hereto as "Exhibit A" and incorporated herein by reference the same as if it were set forth herein in full.

SECTION 3. Canvass. This Governing Authority shall meet at its regular meeting place, 4876 Highway 1, Crowley, Louisiana, on NOVEMBER 8, 2011, at FIVE O'CLOCK (5:00) P.M., and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the results of the said special election.

SECTION 4. Polling Places. The polling places set forth in the aforesaid Notice of Special Election are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said election, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, will be the same persons as those designated in accordance with law.

SECTION 5. Election Commissioners; Voting Machines. The officers designated to serve as Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners pursuant to Section 4 hereof, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1287, shall hold the said special election as herein provided, and shall make due returns of said election for the meeting to be held on November 8, 2011, as provided in Section 3 hereof. All registered voters in the City are entitled to vote at said special election and voting machines shall be used thereat.

SECTION 6. Authorization of Officers. The Governing Authority is hereby empowered, authorized and directed to arrange for and to furnish to said election officers in ample time for the holding of said election, the necessary equipment, forms and other paraphernalia essential to the proper holding of said election and the Governing Authority is further authorized, empowered and directed to take any and all further action required by State and/or Federal law to arrange for the election, including but not limited to, appropriate submission to the Federal Department of Justice under Section 5 of the Federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended.

SECTION 7. Furnishing Election Call to Election Officials. Certified copies of this ordinance shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, the Commissioner of Elections, the Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio City Custodian of Voting Machines in and for the City of Crowley, State of Louisiana, and the Registrar of Voters in and for said City, as notification of the special election herein called in order that each may prepare for said election and perform their respective functions as required by law.

SECTION 8. Employment of Counsel. It is recognized, found and determined that a real necessity exists for the employment of Legal Counsel in connection with the election; accordingly, Crawford Lewis, P.L.L.C., located in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, is hereby employed as legal counsel to perform comprehensive, legal and coordinate professional work with respect to the election. Counsel shall (i) prepare and submit to the City for adoption of all the proceedings incidental to the election; and (ii) counsel and advise the City with respect to the election. The fee to be paid to Bond Counsel shall be an amount equal to the Attorney General's then current Bond Counsel Fee Schedule for hourly rate work and other guidelines for comprehensive, legal and coordinate professional work, together with reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses incurred and advanced in connection with the election, said fee to be payable by the City subject to the Attorney General's written approval of said employment and fee.

SECTION 9. Application to State Bond Commission. Application is made to the State Bond Commission for consent and authority to hold the aforesaid special election as herein provided, and in the event said election carries for further consent and authority to levy and collect the special taxes provided for therein, and a certified copy of this ordinance shall be forwarded to the State Bond Commission on behalf of this Governing Authority, together with a letter requesting the prompt consideration and approval of this application.

SECTION 10. Invalidity and Severability. If any provision, part, word, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance and do hereby declare the provisions hereof to be severable, then in that event, only that particular provision, part, word, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase shall be deemed unconstitutional or invalid and the remaining provisions, parts, words, sections, subsections, sentences, clauses and phrases will not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect.

SECTION 11. Repealer. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with or in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 12. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

YEAS: Bryan Borill, J. Elliot Doré, Jeff Doré, Lyle Fogleman, Vernon Martin, Mary Melancon, Steven Premeaux and Kitty Valdetero

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Laurita Pete

GREG A. JONES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

OTHER BUSINESS:

Mr. Donald Delco spoke on tall grass concerns and was told that a work order would be made to have the grass cut on city property. Mr. Clifford Winbush spoke on concerns on the erosion of his property due to the center ditch.

There being no further business to come before the Council upon motion duly made by Alderwoman Mary Melancon and seconded by Alderman Steven Premeaux the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

Presented rough draft to Mayor on August 11, 2011 at 1:15 p.m.

Presented for Mayor's signature on August 11, 2011 at 1:15 p.m.

Mayor signed & returned to City Clerk on August _____, 2011 at _____ .m.

Published on August 18th, 2011