

CITY OF CROWLEY
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 8TH, 2015

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 8th day of September, 2015 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, Elliot Doré, Jeff Doré, Vernon Martin, Tim Monceaux, Steven Premeaux, Ezora J. Proctor and Kitty Valdetero. Alderman Lyle Fogleman Jr. was absent.

Alderman Bryan Borill led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Alderman Vernon Martin gave the invocation.

PUBLIC HEARING:

The public hearing on Rule to Show Cause for Condemnation of property situated on property situated on Lot 7 of Block 2 of the Conway Addition to the City of Crowley bearing a municipal address of 911 Ross Avenue, Crowley, Louisiana was cancelled; the property is being repaired to meet code standards.

PRESENTATION:

WHEREAS, God Our Father in his divine wisdom has called the following of our members to their eternal reward:

Beloved LMA Staff Member, friend and associate Shaun Brynner Laureles

Former Mayor and LMA Past President - Retired Ernie P. Broussard, Estherwood
Councilman Murphy Martin, Jr., Albany
Former Councilman Lemuel Bassett, Bunkie
Former Police Chief Mary Fanara, Bunkie
Former Alderman John M. Dugas, Carencro
Former Councilman Eugene Parker Dodd, Covington
Former Alderman Willie Clement, Crowley
Former Councilwoman Margaret Guillory Langley, Elton
Former Mayor Odeal Montgomery, Ferriday
Mayor Harvey Quenton Causey, Jr., Hodge
Former Mayor Arthur Steve Cole, Hornbeck
Assistant Parish Attorney, Louis Gerard Gruntz, Jr., Jefferson Parish
Former Councilman John Lavarine, Jr., Kenner
Former Councilman and Former Mayor Nicholas A. Saladino, Kentwood
Fire Chief Billy Norris, Sr., Lecompte
Councilman William "Mike" Elliot, Leesville
Former Councilman Leroy Louis Achee, Sr., Livonia
Former Councilman Glenn Charles Sayger, Livonia
Mayor Albert "Al" Broussard, Jr., Loreauville
Former Councilwoman Adelaide Johnson Boettner, Mandeville
Former Mayor and State Senator W.E. "Bill" Dykes, Montpelier
Long-term Councilwoman Carmella Theresa Negrilli Guedry, Morganza
Former Councilman Devoyd L. McDougald, Olla
Former Mayor Roy Dwayne Council, Port Barre
Former Police Chief Charles Zachary, Slaughter
Mayor Oda R. Rockett, Spearsville
Former Alderman John Joseph "Bud" Jubin, Jr., Springfield

Alderman Oscar Robertson, Jr., St. Francisville
Former Aldermen Dalton "Bulla" Belson, Jr., Sunset
Long-term Municipal Clerk Carrie B. Ardoin, Welch
Former Councilman Allen "A.J." Bernard, Jr., Youngsville
Former Alderman and Former Mayor George Roger Lopez, Zwolle

Former State Representative Jewel Joseph Newman

WHEREAS, in their passing, their families, their municipalities and our association have suffered a distinct loss.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Municipal Association does herewith in annual session convened, on this first day of August, 2015, express its deep sorrow in their death, with sincere sympathies to their families; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to their families and a copy spread upon the minutes of this association.

Attest: S/Ronnie C. Harris
Executive Director

Signed: S/David J. Camardelle
President

READING & APPROVAL OF MINUTES / BILLS:

Alderman Bryan Borill moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the August 11th, 2015 regular council meeting and approve them as written and distributed. Seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin and duly adopted.

Alderman Vernon Martin moved to approve all bills presented for payment. Seconded by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and duly adopted.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

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

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

Chairperson – Alderman Tim Monceaux
Vice-Chairperson – Alderwoman Ezora Proctor
Members – Aldermen Jeff Doré, Lyle Fogleman, Jr. and Vernon Martin

A motion was offered by Alderman Tim Monceaux and seconded by Alderman Elliot Doré to authorize the Mayor to enter into a contract with Huval & Associates for structural evaluation and recommendations for repairs to City bridges at North Ditch and N. Avenue G, North Ditch and N. Avenue D, Center Ditch and Jacob Avenue, and Bayou Blanc and Pine Street in the amount of \$5,500. 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 Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero to approve Partial Payment No. 5 to Guinn Construction, LLC for “Repairs to the Facultative Pond Levee and Ultra-Violet Disinfection Systems at the Waste Water Treatment Facility” in the amount \$57,699.16. Motion carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

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

A motion was offered by Alderman Bryan Borill and seconded by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero to approve the renewal of a 2015 Class A Retail Outlet Liquor Permit and a 2015 Class A Retail Outlet Beer Permit for William G. Miller d/b/a Bud’s Den located at 421 North Parkerson Avenue. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Bryan Borill and seconded by Alderman Steven Premeaux to approve the renewal of a 2016 Class A Retail Outlet Liquor Permit and a 2016 Class A Retail Outlet Beer Permit for Randy J. Nickel d/b/a Bayou Bend Golf Club located at 427 W. Hoyt Avenue. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Bryan Borill and seconded by Alderman Steven Premeaux to approve the renewal of a 2016 Class B Retail Package Beer Permit and a 2016 Class B Retail Package Liquor Permit for James D. Barbin d/b/a The Crawfish Nest and Market located at 805 West 2nd Street. Motion carried.

INSURANCE & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

Chairperson – Alderwoman Ezora Proctor
Vice-Chairperson – Alderman Jeff Doré
Members – Aldermen Bryan Borill, Vernon Martin, and Kitty Valdetero

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Ezora Proctor and seconded by Alderman Tim Monceaux to ratify the Mayor’s appointment of Tim Cradeur as Wastewater Superintendent effective August 31, 2015. Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION:

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Vernon Martin, duly seconded by Alderman Jeff Doré, and adopted.

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SERVITUDE AND RIGHT OF WAY AGREEMENT FOR A RIGHT OF WAY ALONG WEST MILL STREET IN FAVOR OF LOUISIANA WATER COMPANY (LAWCO) FOR CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF A WATER PIPELINE; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

WHEREAS, Louisiana Water Company (Lawco) has requested an additional right of way of ten (10’) feet along and adjacent to West Mill Street west of Oscar Johnson Drive to construct, install and operate a water main; and

WHEREAS, the additional right of way is needed due to other underground and aboveground utilities conflicting in the existing right of way which precludes the installation of

the water main in the area from Oscar Johnson Drive westward to its intersection with West Mill Street; and

WHEREAS, there is no use of that area by the City of Crowley which would interfere with the installation of underground utilities over a strip of land adjacent to West Mill Street which is used for driveways and entrances into parking lots other facilities owned by the Crowley Recreation Department; and

WHEREAS, Lawco has agreed to the usual terms and conditions for a right of way and in addition agree to the specific restriction to install the pipeline at a depth of not less than 48 inches from the top of the pipeline below the current surface elevation of the said property; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen deem it appropriate to grant the additional right of way;

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, empower and direct the Honorable Greg A. Jones, Mayor of the City of Crowley, to execute a Servitude and Right of Way Agreement in favor of the Louisiana Water Company (Lawco) for the purpose of constructing, installing, maintaining, operating, repairing, relaying and removing a water main in accordance with their rights as a franchisee of the City of Crowley over and across a strip of property ten (10') feet in width together with an additional temporary five (5') foot construction easement along and adjacent to the south right of way line of West Mill Street from its intersection with Oscar Johnson Drive westward to the intersection with Western Avenue in accordance with an aerial photo which shall be identified as Exhibit A attached to and made part of the Servitude and Right of Way Agreement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that they do hereby authorize, empower and direct the Honorable Greg A. Jones, Mayor of the City of Crowley, to execute any and all documents and to provide any and all information as may be deemed necessary in the premises.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 8th day of September, 2015, in 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 Alderwoman Ezora Proctor, duly seconded by Alderman Elliot Doré, and adopted.

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, RESCINDING, RECALLING AND AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF THE NOTICE OF RULE TO SHOW CAUSE FOR THE CONDEMNATION OF IMPROVEMENTS ON LOT 7 OF BLOCK 2 OF THE CONWAY ADDITION TO THE CITY OF CROWLEY.

WHEREAS, Notice of Rule to Show Cause for condemnation was issued by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley on the 14th day of April, 2015, against the property described as Lot 7 of Block 2 of the Conway Addition to the City of Crowley belonging to Judy Ann Monroe Clement; and

WHEREAS, the property owner has began taking the necessary steps to bring the building and/or structure up to code as required in the Notice; and

WHEREAS, in consideration thereof and upon payment of all costs and charges of notification and recording incurred by the City of Crowley, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen desire to cancel said Notice of Rule to Show Cause recorded in the office of the Clerk of Court;

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 they do hereby authorize, empower and direct the Acadia Parish Clerk of Court to cancel the Notice of Rule to Show Cause for condemnation of Lot 7 of Block 2 of the Conway Addition to the City of Crowley belonging to Judy Ann Monroe Clement recorded on the 16th day of April, 2015, under Original Act No. 862612 in Mortgage Book 944 at page 246 and in Conveyance Book P-68 at Page 884; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon payment of all costs and charges of notices of violations, service thereof, recordation and certification, the Honorable Judy L. Istre, City Clerk of the City of Crowley, be and she is hereby authorized and directed to deliver a certified copy of this resolution authorizing the cancellation of the Notice of Rule to Show Cause to the above named property owner or representative.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, on this the 8th day of September, 2015.



GREG A. JONES, MAYOR

ATTEST:



JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

The following resolution was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero, duly seconded by Alderman Steven Premeaux, and adopted.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, INTRODUCING A PROPOSED ORDINANCE AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING SAME.

WHEREAS, an ordinance has been proposed to be adopted by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley; and

WHEREAS, the proposed ordinance must be introduced by its title; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing must be held prior to its adoption; and

WHEREAS, the title of the proposed ordinance must be published in the official journal and the notice shall provide the time and place where the Board will consider its adoption;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, that the following ordinance be and it is hereby introduced for consideration at the next regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, to-wit:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND RE-ENACT THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY BY ADDING TO ARTICLE III, SECTION 3.14 ET SEQ SPECIAL GATEWAY OVERLAY DISTRICT AND REGULATIONS THEREFOR; 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.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen that the City Clerk shall publish the following notice in the Crowley Post Signal:

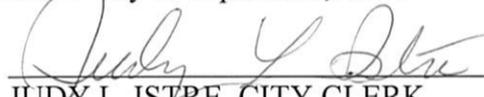
NOTICE OF PROPOSED ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley shall meet on the 7th day of October, 2015, at 4:00 o'clock p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Crowley, Louisiana, to consider the adoption of the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND RE-ENACT THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY BY ADDING TO ARTICLE III, SECTION 3.14 ET SEQ SPECIAL GATEWAY OVERLAY DISTRICT AND REGULATIONS THEREFOR; 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.

Copies of the proposed ordinance are available for a nominal fee in the office of the City Clerk, City Hall, Crowley, Louisiana.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED on this the 8th day of September, 2015.



JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

THUS DONE, SIGNED AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 8th day of September, 2015, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.



GREG A. JONES, MAYOR

ATTEST:



JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Elliot Doré, duly seconded by Alderman Jeff Doré, and adopted.

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF THE LOUISIANA COMPLIANCE QUESTIONNAIRE FOR AUDIT ENGAGEMENTS OF GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2015

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley having received notice from the Legislative Auditor of the State of Louisiana, that the Compliance Questionnaire must be completed; and

WHEREAS, the Compliance Questionnaire is a required part of a financial audit of Louisiana governmental units and quasi-public; and

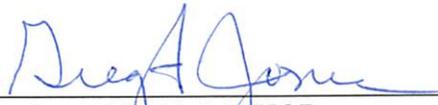
WHEREAS, the legal matters contained in the questionnaire parallel those matters contained in the *Laws Affecting Louisiana Government*; and

WHEREAS, the completed Compliance Questionnaire must be given to the auditors at the beginning of the audit and tested for accuracy of the responses in the questionnaire during the course of the audit;

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 8, 2015 to Kolder, Champagne, Slaven & Co, in connection with the audit of the financial statements for the year ending August 31, 2015, 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 Greg A. Jones, Mayor of the City of Crowley.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on this the 8th of September, 2015 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.



GREG A. JONES, MAYOR

ATTEST:



JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Elliot Doré, duly seconded by Alderman Bryan Borill, and adopted.

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT (INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT) BETWEEN THE DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION AND THE CITY OF CROWLEY TO PROVIDE FUNDING UNDER THE LOUISIANA LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LGAP) TO PURCHASE A NEW IBM COMPUTER SYSTEM FOR THE CITY OF CROWLEY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES OF CITY HALL, INCLUDING COMPUTERS, HARDWARE, NETWORK SYSTEM AND ACCESSORIES; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO AND IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, on December 15, 2014, the City of Crowley made application under the FY 2014-2015 Louisiana Local Government Assistance Program (LGAP) for Fifty Thousand & No/100 (\$50,000.00) Dollars to assist in purchasing a new IBM computer system for the administrative offices of the City of Crowley, including computers, software, hardware, network system and accessories; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley received notice of approval of the grant application and a proposed 2014-2015 LGAP Contract which is required by the Division of Administration to be entered into between the City of Crowley and the Division of Administration to provide for the receipt and expenditure of funds, the compliance with state, federal and local guidelines and regulations as they relate to the application acceptance and use of state funds for the assisted project; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley must agree to the use of grant funds conditioned upon the incurring costs in accordance with the project rules and regulations and the contract before applying for reimbursement and the City of Crowley understands this contract provides for reimbursement of funds upon completion of all the obligations and conditions contained in the agreement and state and federal laws and regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Administration requires the approval by the City of matching fund of approximately Seven Thousand Five Hundred No/100 (\$7,500.00) Dollars; and

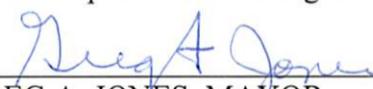
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Parish of Acadia, in regular session duly convened, that they do hereby authorize, empower and direct the Honorable Greg A. Jones, Mayor of the City of Crowley, to execute a contract between the Division of Administration ("Division") and the City of Crowley (hereinafter called "City") for the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 LGAP state appropriated funds in the amount of Eighteen Thousand Five Hundred & No/100 (\$18,500.00) Dollars for a period beginning on the date entered into and for not more than three (3) years thereafter; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Crowley agrees that all the terms and conditions expressed in the LGAP Format #1 (revised, 2011) represented by LGAP File #1415-ACD-0201 will be complied with and the City of Crowley also agrees that all costs shall be paid out of contract funds and shall not be incurred until written approval by the State is received with the required documentation as provided in the Contract and Exhibit A thereto and upon written authorization from the State is received to draw funds; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Crowley agrees to be responsible for all costs above the amount of the grant, including taxes applicable thereto, and subject to reimbursement for ineligible costs, should there be any determined; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk of the City of Crowley be and she is hereby authorized and directed to prepare an amendment to the City's General Administration Budget for capital outlay to include revenue of Eighteen Thousand Five Hundred & No/100 (\$18,500.00) Dollars identified as LGAP State Funded Grant and to transfer and appropriate Seven Thousand Five Hundred & No/100 (\$7,500.00) Dollars from the City's unrestricted general fund revenues as the matching amount of the said grant;

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, on this the 8th day of September, 2015 at which a quorum was present and acting throughout.



GREG A. JONES, MAYOR

ATTEST:


JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

ORDINANCE:

A motion to table the following ordinance no. 1470, as described by title, until the next regular scheduled council meeting was offered by Alderman Vernon Martin, seconded by Alderman Bryan Borill and duly adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 1470

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND RE-ENACT CHAPTER 4 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY TO AMEND CERTAIN SECTIONS AND SUBSECTIONS AND TO ADD THERETO CERTAIN SECTIONS AND SUBSECTIONS; 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.

OTHER BUSINESS:

There being no further business to come before the Council upon motion duly made by Alderman Jeff Doré and seconded by Alderman Elliot Doré the meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m.



GREG A. JONES, MAYOR

ATTEST:



JUDY L. ISTRE, CLERK

Presented rough draft to Mayor on September 14th, 2015 at 8:30 a.m.
Presented for Mayor's signature on September 14th, 2015 at 8:30 a.m.
Mayor signed & returned to City Clerk on September 14th, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

Publish in newspaper on September 22nd, 2015