

CITY OF CROWLEY
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 12TH, 2017

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 12th day of December 2017 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, Tim Monceaux, Steven Premeaux, Alderwomen Kitty Valdetero and Ezora J. Proctor. Lyle Fogleman, Jr., and Vernon Martin were absent

Alderman Tim Monceaux led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Alderman Bryan Borill gave the invocation.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS:

Alderman Elliot Doré offered a motion to amend the agenda to consider the 2018 Beer and Liquor License Class A Retail Outlet and Class B Retail Package for RHEA Enterprises, D/B/A Road Runner #3 located at 705 S. Eastern Avenue, Crowley, LA 70526. Seconded by Alderman Bryan Borill and duly adopted after a unanimous vote.

PUBLIC HEARING:

City Attorney, Thomas Regan opened the public hearing on proposed ordinance no. 1490, the ordinance was read by title as follows:

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A NON-EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE, THE RIGHT AND PRIVILEGE TO LOUISIANA WATER COMPANY ("LAWCO"), ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS FOR A PERIOD OF TEN YEARS BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2018, FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF WATER UTILITIES AND/OR WATER TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS IN, THROUGH AND ACROSS THE CITY OF CROWLEY, LOUISIANA, AND FOR THE USE OF STREETS, ALLEYS AND PUBLIC PLACES WITHIN THE LIMITS OF SAID MUNICIPALITY AS SAME MAY BE NOW OR HEREAFTER LAWFULLY EXIST; TO PROVIDE FOR THE PROVISIONS THEREOF 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.

Thomas Regan asked for proponents to the proposed ordinance no. 1490. A third and final call was made with no one coming forward to speak. The call for opponents of the proposed ordinance no. 1490 was made and there were no comments after the third and final call. The public hearing on ordinance no. 1490 was closed.

APPEARANCES:

Mr. Leo Spaetgens addressed the Mayor and Council to state his thanks and appreciation for the Veteran's Day Program.

Mr. Joshua Guillory was delayed in traffic caused by an auto accident and was unable to attend the meeting to announce his candidacy for the seat for the Louisiana 3rd Congressional District.

READING & APPROVAL OF MINUTES / BILLS:

Alderswoman Ezora Proctor moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the November 14th, 2017 regular council meeting and approve them as written and distributed. Seconded by Alderswoman Kitty Valdetero and duly adopted.

Alderman Bryan Borill moved to approve all bills presented for payment. Seconded by Alderman Jeff Doré and duly adopted.

MAYOR'S REPORTS:

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

Mayor Jones presented the monthly budget-to-actual comparisons that report the spending of major funds.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

Chairperson – Alderman Tim Monceaux
Vice-Chairperson – Alderswoman 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 Mader Engineering, Inc. to proceed with necessary Supplemental Topographic Surveys and the submittal of 30% Complete Preliminary Plans for Historic Parkerson Avenue Redevelopment Project Phase II. Motion carried.

UTILITY COMMITTEE:

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

A motion was offered by Alderswoman Kitty Valdetero and seconded by Alderman Elliot Doré to approve Partial Payment Estimate No. 12 to Cecil Perry Improvements, LLC in the amount of \$308,343.40 for the “Restoration of the Rock Filter at the Waste Water Treatment Facility”. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderswoman Kitty Valdetero and seconded by Alderman Jeff Doré to approve Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$15,000 to the contract with Cecil Perry Improvements, LLC for “Restoration of the Rock Filter at the Waste Water Treatment Facility”. 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 Lyle Fogleman and seconded by Alderman Tim Monceaux to approve to approve the following 2018 beer and liquor license renewals:

1. Julie Romero 2018 Class A Retail Outlet Beer Permit
TJBR Enterprises, LLC
723 South Parkerson Avenue
2. RHEA Enterprise I, Inc. 2018 Class A Retail Outlet Beer Permit
DBA Road Runner #3 2018 Class B Retail Package Liquor
705 South Eastern Avenue. Motion carried.

ZONING & ANNEXATION COMMITTEE:

Chairperson – Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero
Vice-Chairperson – Alderman Vernon Martin
Members – Aldermen Bryan Borill, J. Elliot Doré and Steven Premeaux

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and seconded by Alderman Elliot Doré to approve the Planning Commission recommendation for a variance to cover carport located at 623 S Avenue O also described as Lot 5 Block 25 Andrus Addition owned by Timothy Monceaux. Motion carried with Tim Monceaux recusing himself due to the him owning the property.

REVENUE & FINANCES COMMITTEE:

Chairperson – Alderman J. Elliot Doré
Vice-Chairperson – Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero
Members – Aldermen Jeff Doré, Ezora Proctor, and Steven Premeaux

A motion was offered by Alderman Elliot Doré and seconded by Alderman Jeff Doré to approve the recommendation from Mark Landry of Landry, Harris and Company to renew the city’s program of self-insurance for worker’s compensation with a total fixed cost of \$96,170 from Midwest Employers Casualty Company with the policy term effective from January 1, 2018 to January 1, 2019 including claim administration contract with (LoCA) Louisiana Claims Administrator. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Elliot Doré and seconded by Alderwoman Ezora Proctor to authorize the Mayor to enter into a contract and for the city attorney to prepare a resolution for introduction of required ordinance for the Municipal Debt Recovery Service and the Occupational License Tax Collection service with LaMats (Louisiana Municipal Advisory and Technical Solutions). Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS:

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tim Monceaux and seconded by Ezora Proctor, and adopted.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PREPARATION OF PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS AND AUTHORIZING THE ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS AND DESIGNATING THE TIME AND PLACE THAT THE BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED FOR THE “2018 MATERIALS CONTRACT” PROJECT.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley that the preparation of the Plans and Specifications for the “2018 MATERIALS CONTRACT” by Mader Engineering is hereby authorized and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Advertisement for Bids for said Project is hereby authorized, that bids will be received at Crowley City Hall on a date that is in accordance with the requirements of the Louisiana Uniform Public Works Bid Laws, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud, and that said date, time, and location may be amended as long as changes are processed in accordance with the Public Bid Law.

THUS DONE, SIGNED AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 12th day of December 2017, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

ERIN S. CRADEUR, City Clerk

ORDINANCE:

A motion was offered by Alderman Elliot Dore to request the city attorney modify proposed ordinance no. 1490 as introduced from a 10 year to a 15 year franchise with a 5 year extension contingent upon mutual satisfaction of all obligations of the franchise. Seconded by Alderman Tim Monceaux. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

A motion was offered by Alderman Elliot Doré and seconded by Alderman Tim Monceaux to change February council meeting from Tuesday February 13th, 2018 to Wednesday February 14th, 2018. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Council upon motion duly made by Alderman Elliot Doré and seconded by Alderman Tim Monceaux the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Presented rough draft to Mayor on December 14th, 2017 at 8:00 a.m.

Presented for Mayor's signature on December 14th, 2017 at 8:00 p.m.

Mayor signed & returned to City Clerk on December 14th, 2017 at .m.

Publish in newspaper on December 21st, 2017