

CITY OF CROWLEY  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
MARCH 13, 2007

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 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007 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: Jeff Doré, Lyle Fogleman, Jr., Vernon Martin, Mary Melancon, Laurita Pete, Steven Premeaux, Kitty Valdetero and Todd Whiting. Alderman Elliot Doré was absent.

Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and Alderman Lyle Fogleman, Jr. gave the invocation.

**APPEARANCE:**

Isabella de la Houssaye came before the assembly to state her desire to be a representative in House District 42 with a commitment to focus on education and economic development.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

Mayor Greg A. Jones opened the public hearing on proposed ordinance no. 1357, the ordinance to “designate and name an unnamed alleyway as Walnut Alleyway” was read by title.

Mr. Thomas Regan asked for proponents to the proposed ordinance no. 1357. A third and final call was made with no one coming forward to speak.

The call for opponents of the proposed ordinance no. 1357 was made and there were no comments after the third and final call.

Mayor Greg A. Jones called the public hearing to a close.

Mayor Greg A. Jones opened the public hearing on proposed ordinance no. 1358, the ordinance to “fix positions and salaries of officials and officers of City of Crowley” was read by title.

Mr. Thomas Regan asked for proponents to the proposed ordinance no. 1358. A third and final call was made with no one coming forward to speak.

The call for opponents of the proposed ordinance no. 1358 was made and there were no comments after the third and final call.

Mayor Greg A. Jones called the public hearing to a close.

Mayor Greg A. Jones opened the public hearing on proposed ordinance no. 1359, the ordinance to “amend the fiscal 2007 budget” was read by title.

Mr. Thomas Regan asked for proponents to the proposed ordinance no. 1359. A third and final call was made with no one coming forward to speak.

The call for opponents of the proposed ordinance no. 1359 was made and there were no comments after the third and final call.

Mayor Greg A. Jones called the public hearing to a close.

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

Alderman Kitty Valdetero moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2007 special council meeting in lieu of regular meeting and approve them as written and distributed. Seconded by Alderman Mary Melancon and duly adopted.

Alderman Steven Premeaux moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2007 special council meeting and approve them as written and distributed. Seconded by Alderman Kitty Valdetero and duly adopted.

Alderman Mary Melancon moved to approve all bills presented for payment. Seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin and duly adopted.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor Greg A. Jones presented the Sales Tax chart and User Fee chart that track the collection trend since fiscal 1992.

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**PUBLIC WORKS: Alderman Mary Melancon, Chairperson**

A motion was offered by Alderman Mary Melancon and seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin to accept the Tree Board recommendation to remove a live oak tree as requested by property owner, Doug LeBlanc located at 223 East 10<sup>th</sup> Street on city right of way contingent upon payment of \$500 for mitigation of the existing tree. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Mary Melancon and seconded by Alderman Kitty Valdetero to approve Partial Payment No. 4 to Quality Construction Specialist under Work Order #1 for the FY 2005-2006 Crack Routing, Cleaning, and Sealing Contract in the amount of \$4,978.13. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Mary Melancon and seconded by Alderman Jeff Doré to approve Change Order No. 2 to add 182 contract days to Quality Construction Specialist contract under Work Order #1 for the FY 2005-2006 Crack Routing, Cleaning, and Sealing Contract. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Mary Melancon and seconded by Alderman Laurita Pete to authorize the Mayor to enter into a contract with Poche'-Prouett & Associates to prepare the necessary conceptual plans for Phases I & II of the I-10 Exit 82 Lighting project, and to prepare construction plans and specifications for the phasing in of the project within a construction budget of \$220,000 and an engineering budget of \$60,000. Motion carried.

**UTILITY: Alderman Vernon Martin, Chairperson**

A motion was offered by Alderman Vernon Martin and seconded by Alderman Laurita Pete to approve Partial Payment Estimate No. 12 to M. P. Dumesnil Construction Company for the North of I-10 Sewage Improvements Contract the estimated amount of \$65,783.16. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Vernon Martin and seconded by Alderman Mary Melancon to authorize the Mayor to engage the services of Billy Prochaska, a geotechnical engineering consultant, to investigate and provide recommendations for repairing levee problems at the Wastewater Treatment Facility. An amendment was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman and seconded by Alderman Todd Whiting to add "not to exceed \$6,500". The main motion as amended was voted on and passed.

**PUBLIC SAFETY: Alderman Todd Whiting, Chairperson**

A motion was offered by Alderman Todd Whiting and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to disallow Irvin Thibodeaux to display his art at the Martin Luther King Center and the Rice Festival Building. Motion carried.

**ZONING & ANNEXATION: Alderman Elliot Doré, Chairperson**

A motion was offered by Alderman Vernon Martin and seconded by Alderwoman Laurita Pete to approve a trailer petition for Georgia Delco described as Lot 3, Block 114, Original Crowley located at 714 North Avenue A. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Vernon Martin and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to approve a two foot Side Yard Set Back Variance for Nancy Dailey described as Lot 2 Block 2 Andrus Addition located at 723 South Avenue M. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Vernon Martin and seconded by Alderman Steven Premeaux to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to approve a Home Occupancy for a Beauty Salon for Paula Lyons described at 125' x 150' NBY Mrs. E. Hill located at 710 West Northern Avenue. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC BUILDING: Alderman Lyle Fogleman, Chairperson**

A motion was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to approve Partial Payment No. 9 to E. L. Habetz Builders, Inc. for renovations to the Criminal Justice Center in the amount of \$51,077.97. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman and seconded by Alderman Todd Whiting to co sponsor the Acadia Parish Sheriff's Department ACT Preparatory Class at the Rice City Annex on April 9, 2007. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to co-sponsor the Acadia Parish Council on Aging Annual Health Fair at the Rice Festival Building on May 16, 2007 from 8:00 a.m. to 12 p.m. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman and seconded by Alderman Steven Premeaux to authorize the purchase of kitchen equipment for the Criminal Justice Center in the amount of \$1,300.00 and refer to Revenue and Finance. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman and seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin to co sponsor the 4th Annual Churches Coming Together Picnic at the Martin Luther King Center on May 12, 2007. This is a public awareness event to promote better family values and recognition of health problems with a picnic to follow. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to co sponsor the Ross Head Start's "End of Year Celebration" at the Martin Luther King Center on May 24, 2007 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Motion carried.

**INSURANCE & PERSONNEL: Alderwoman Laurita Pete, Chairperson**

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Laurita Pete to increase Judge Harrington's salary to an additional \$1,500 per month and to terminate the increase at the end of his term of office, contingent upon the City Attorney's approved opinion of legality and to refer to Revenue and Finance. Motion failed for lack of a second.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Laurita Pete and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to hire Amanda Senegal as a Police Dispatcher effective March 13, 2007 pending physical and drug screening. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Laurita Pete and seconded by Alderman Lyle Fogleman to hire Richard Meaux as a Probational Police Officer effective March 13, 2007 pending physical and drug screening. Motion carried.

**COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Alderman Jeff Doré, Chairperson**

There were no action items from the Community & Economic Development Committee.

**RECREATION: Alderman Steven Premeaux, Chairperson**

There were no action items from the Recreation Committee.

**REVENUE & FINANCES: Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero, Chairperson**

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and seconded by Alderman Steven Premeaux to authorize the purchase of kitchen equipment (microwave, refrigerator and stove) for the Criminal Justice Center in the amount of \$1,300.00. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Mary Melancon and seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin to accept the FY 2005-06 audit report as presented by Fayette Dupre' of Broussard, Poche, Lewis, and Breaux for the fiscal year September 1, 2005 through August 31, 2006. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

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

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, AUTHORIZING THE ENGAGEMENT OF POCHE'-PROUETT & ASSOCIATES FOR ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR PHASES I AND II OF THE I-10 EXIT 82 LIGHTING PROJECT; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley has requested the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (LDOTD) to provide a high-mast, state-of-the-art, high-intensity lighting system for I-10 Exit 82; and

WHEREAS, the LDOTD has indicated its willingness to participate, however, due to Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, is currently unable to provide funds for the lighting project; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley has solicited and received a cash contribution from Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. and a commitment for a cash contribution from Lowe's Home Centers, Inc. which totals \$220,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley committed to providing engineering services at a cost of approximately \$60,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the City has requested LDOTD authorize a change to begin the project with Phase I by installing primary lighting system conduits and key light standards with Phase II to complete the erection of the remaining light standards;

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 at which a quorum was present and acting throughout, that they do hereby authorize, empower and direct the Honorable Greg A. Jones, Mayor of the City of Crowley to engage the services of Poche'-Prouett & Associates and to execute a standard-form Owner/Architect contract for services to provide conceptual plans for Phases I and II and construction plans and specifications for Phases I and II; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the City will commit the cash funds received from Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. and Lowe's Home Centers, Inc. in the amount of \$220,000.00 and the City shall pay the engineering cost of \$60,000.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the engineering services shall be limited to providing conceptual plans to solicit the consent of the LDOTD for the change and Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. and Lowe's Home Centers, Inc. for approval of the phased construction of the project; and

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

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

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GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

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

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LA. 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 for the time and place where the Board will consider its adoption.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, 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 AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF CROWLEY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR, BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1, 2006 AND ENDING AUGUST 31, 2007; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO; AND TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT OR IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.

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 10<sup>th</sup> day of April 2007 at 6:00 o'clock p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Crowley, LA, to consider the adoption of the following ordinance.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF CROWLEY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR, BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1, 2006 AND ENDING AUGUST 31, 2007; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO; AND TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT OR IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.

Copies of the proposed Ordinance are available for a nominal fee in the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, Crowley, LA.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED on this the 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007.

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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

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THUS DONE, SIGNED AND ADOPTED in special session duly convened on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

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GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

**ORDINANCES:**

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1357

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND RE-ENACTING ORDINANCE NO. 1316 TO DESIGNATE AND NAME AN UNNAMED ALLEYWAY IN BLOCK 74 OF THE CROWLEY INDUSTRIAL COMPANY (CICO) ADDITION NO. 3 TO THE CITY OF CROWLEY AS WALNUT ALLEYWAY; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; AND TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES CONTRARY 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 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007, at 6:00 o'clock p.m. at City Hall, Crowley, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley Ordinance No. 1316 on April 12, 2005 which designated "That certain unnamed alleyway located in Block 71 of the Crowley Industrial Company (CICO) Addition No. 3 within the corporate limits of the City of Crowley be and it is hereby designated and named Walnut Alleyway."; and

WHEREAS, an inadvertent error occurred in that the correct Block number is Block 74 and it is necessary to correct said error;

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: Section 1 of Ordinance No. 1316 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Crowley is hereby amended and re-enacted to read as follows, to-wit:

"That certain unnamed alleyway located in Block 74 of the Crowley Industrial (CICO) Addition No. 3 within the corporate limits of the City of Crowley be and it is hereby designated and named Walnut Alley."

SECTION 2: All other provisions of Ordinance No. 1316 be and they hereby remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3: 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; and

SECTION 4: 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 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007, at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, after a roll call vote as follows:

YEAS: Jeff Doré, Lyle Fogleman, Vernon Martin, Mary Melancon, Laurita Pete, Steven Premeaux, Kitty Valdetero and Todd Whiting

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Elliot Doré

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GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

The following Ordinance was offered by Alderman Vernon Martin, duly seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon and duly ordained and adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 1358

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND RE-ENACT SUBSECTIONS (b)(2), (3), (15) AND (16) OF SECTION 2-4

OF CHAPTER 2 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY TO CONSOLIDATE POSITIONS AND CREATE A DIRECTOR OF RECREATION; TO FIX THE SALARY FOR SAID POSITION; TO FIX THE SALARIES FOR THE MAYOR PRO-TEMP, ALDERMAN-AT-LARGE AND MAYOR'S ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT; TO PROVIDE THE EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES CONTRARY THERETO AND/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 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007, at 6:00 o'clock p.m. at City Hall, Crowley, Louisiana; and

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: Subsections (2)(3)(15) and (16) of Subparagraph (b) of Section 2-4 of Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Crowley be and the same is hereby amended and re-enacted to read as follows, to-wit:

**Sec. 2-4. Same-Mayor to be full time; compensation of Mayor and other officers and officials.**

b) The following annual salaries are hereby fixed and established for each office as set for hereunder, to-wit:

	<b>Office/Official</b>	<b>Salary</b>
2)	<b>Mayor Pro-Temp</b> (in addition to other compensation)	\$600.00
3)	<b>Alderman-At-Large</b>	\$8,100.00
15)	<b>Director of Recreation</b>	\$50,400.00
16)	<b>Mayor's Administrative Assistant</b>	\$41,525.52

Section 2: This ordinance shall become effective on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007.

Section 3: All other subsections shall be renumbered as may be required and the Code publisher be and is hereby authorized to make said change(s) to renumber the subparagraphs of Subsection (b) of Section 2-4 of Chapter 2.

Section 4: 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; and

Section 5: All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with or in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed;

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on this the 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007, at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, after a roll call vote as follows:

YEAS: Jeff Doré, Lyle Fogleman, Vernon Martin, Mary Melancon, Laurita Pete, Steven Premeaux, Kitty Valdetero and Todd Whiting

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Elliot Doré

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GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1359

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGETS FOR THE CITY OF CROWLEY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR, BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1, 2006 AND ENDING AUGUST 31, 2007; 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 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007 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 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007 that the following Amended Operating Budgets are hereby approved, adopted and finalized.

<b>Account Name</b>	<b>Amendment 2006-2007</b>	<b>Amended 2006-2007 Budget</b>
<b>General Fund</b>		
Revenues		
Other Revenues	86,000	91,000
Fire Expenditures		
Operational	1,750	83,500
Other Expense	2,000	26,783
Street Expenditures		
Capital Outlay	100,000	834,000
Public Works		
Capital Outlay	92,000	961,800

**Utility Fund**

Inflow/Infiltration

Capital Outlay

65,350

279,406

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, the amounts shall be available for expenditures only to the extent and only as included within the amended 2006-2007 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 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, after a roll call vote as follows:

YEAS: Jeff Doré, Lyle Fogleman, Vernon Martin, Mary Melancon, Laurita Pete, Steven Premeaux, Kitty Valdetero and Todd Whiting

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Elliot Doré

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GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Mrs. Kayla Link with the Chamber of Commerce spoke on the possible changes in use of office space at the Enterprise center.

Representatives from “Women of Wisdom” spoke on the programs available through their organization.

There being no further business to come before the Council upon motion duly made by Alderwoman Mary Melancon and seconded by Alderman Jeff Doré the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

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GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

Presented rough draft to Mayor on March 15, 2007 at 2:30 p.m.  
Presented for Mayor’s signature on March 21 , 2007 at 10:15 a.m.  
Mayor signed & returned to City Clerk on March 21,2007 at 10:30 a.m.