

CITY OF CROWLEY  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
JULY 28, 2004

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Louisiana, the governing authority of the City of Crowley, met in a special session at 6:00 p.m. Wednesday the 28<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2004 at the regular meeting place of said Mayor and Board of Aldermen, the City Hall, 426 North Avenue F, Crowley, Louisiana, after the giving and posting of prior notice of said meeting in the manner provided by law.

Mayor de la Houssaye presided with the following Aldermen present: James Buatt, Tiger Istre, Woody Marceaux, Vernon Martin, Mary T. Melancon, Steven C. Premeaux, Ira Thomas and Kitty Valdetero. Laurita D. Pete was absent.

Alderwoman Melancon led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and Alderman Marceaux gave the invocation.

July 23, 2004

City of Crowley  
Special Council Meeting Notice:

You are hereby notified that a Special Council Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley will be held on Wednesday, July 28, 2004 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at City Hall. The purpose of said meeting will be:

1. To consider a resolution to Introduce an Ordinance and Call for a Public Hearing – SLEMCO Proposal as Amended
2. Public Hearings
  - A) Compensation of the Mayor and Other Officers and Officials
  - B) Annual Budget for Fiscal 2005
3. Any Other Legal Items to Come before the Council.

S/ Isabella L. de la Houssaye  
Isabella L. de la Houssaye, Mayor

The call was Posted at City Hall on July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2004 at 9:00 o'clock a.m.

The Police Dept. received the call for circulation on July 26, 2004 at 8:57 o'clock a.m. and copies of the call were delivered to the following:

James M. Buatt	on July 26, 2004 at 9:00 o'clock a.m. by personal service
Tiger Istre	on July 26, 2004 at 9:25 o'clock a.m. by facsimile
Woody Marceaux	on July 26, 2004 at 9:30 o'clock a.m. by facsimile
Vernon Martin	on July 26, 2004 at 9:52 o'clock a.m. personal service
Mary T. Melancon	on July 26, 2004 at 9:08 o'clock a.m. by telephone
Laurita Pete	on July 26, 2004 at 9:10 o'clock a.m. by telephone
Steven Premeaux	on July 26 2004 at 10:30 o'clock a.m. personal service
Ira Thomas	on July 26, 2004 at 9:16 o'clock a.m. by facsimile
Kitty Valdetero	on July 26, 2004 at 9:12 o'clock a.m. by telephone
K. P. Gibson	on July 26, 2004 at 9:00 o'clock a.m. by personal service
Thomas K. Regan	on July 26, 2004 at 9:29 o'clock a.m. by facsimile
Judy L. Istre	on July 26, 2004 at 8:50 o'clock a.m. personal service

Alderman Buatt moved to amend the agenda to consider the fire tower/Burn Building at Firemen's Training center. Seconded by Alderman Thomas and duly adopted after a unanimous vote.

Alderman Buatt moved to amend the agenda to consider the hiring of a police officer at Chief Gibson's recommendation. Seconded by Alderman Premeaux and duly adopted after a unanimous vote.

The following resolution was offered by Alderwoman Valdetero, duly seconded by Alderman Marceaux, and duly resolved and adopted with Alderman Thomas abstaining.

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 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 PURSUANT TO LA. R.S. 33:4401, ET SEQ, THIS MUNICIPALITY'S POLICE POWERS AND IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE OF THE PUBLIC, GRANTING A NON-EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE, THE RIGHT AND PRIVILEGE TO SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION ("SLEMCO"), ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS FOR A PERIOD OF ELEVEN (11) YEARS RETROACTION TO JULY 2, 2003, FROM THE DATE OF ADOPTION HEREOF, OF CONSTRUCTING, ERECTING, MAINTAINING AND OPERATING ELECTRICAL UTILITY TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION FACILITIES AND SYSTEMS IN, THROUGH, OVER AND ACROSS, UNDER AND ON THE STREETS, LANES, ALLEYWAYS, HIGHWAYS, PUBLIC ROADS AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES IN THE CITY OF CROWLEY, LOUISIANA (THE "MUNICIPALITY") FOR THE PRIVILEGE OF SELLING, SERVICING, HANDLING AND DISTRIBUTING ELECTRICITY AND ELECTRIC ENERGY WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY; FIXING THE TERMS, CONSIDERATIONS AND LIMITATIONS THEREOF AND PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT BY SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS OF A SUM EQUAL TO FOUR (4%) PERCENT OF THE AMOUNT RECEIVED BY SAID COMPANY FROM THE SALE AND DELIVERY OF ELECTRICAL ENERGY AT RETAIL FOR RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL PURPOSES BILLED FOR SERVICE WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF SAID MUNICIPALITY, AS SAME MAY NOW OR MAY HEREAFTER LAWFULLY EXIST; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL OTHER MATTERS RELATIVE OR PERTAINING THERETO.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley 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 August, 2004, at 6:00 o'clock p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Crowley, Louisiana, to consider the adoption of the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE PURSUANT TO LA. R.S. 33:4401, ET SEQ, THIS MUNICIPALITY'S POLICE POWERS AND IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE OF THE PUBLIC, GRANTING A NON-EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE, THE RIGHT AND PRIVILEGE TO SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION ("SLEMCO"), ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS FOR A PERIOD OF ELEVEN (11) YEARS RETROACTION TO JULY 2, 2003, FROM THE DATE OF ADOPTION HEREOF, OF CONSTRUCTING, ERECTING, MAINTAINING AND OPERATING ELECTRICAL UTILITY TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION FACILITIES AND SYSTEMS IN, THROUGH, OVER AND ACROSS, UNDER AND ON THE STREETS, LANES, ALLEYWAYS, HIGHWAYS, PUBLIC ROADS AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES IN THE CITY OF CROWLEY, LOUISIANA (THE "MUNICIPALITY") FOR THE PRIVILEGE OF SELLING, SERVICING, HANDLING AND DISTRIBUTING ELECTRICITY AND ELECTRIC ENERGY WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY; FIXING THE TERMS, CONSIDERATIONS AND LIMITATIONS THEREOF AND PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT BY SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS OF A SUM EQUAL TO FOUR (4%) PERCENT OF THE AMOUNT RECEIVED BY SAID COMPANY FROM THE SALE AND DELIVERY OF ELECTRICAL ENERGY AT RETAIL FOR RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL PURPOSES BILLED FOR SERVICE WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF SAID MUNICIPALITY, AS SAME MAY NOW OR MAY HEREAFTER LAWFULLY EXIST; 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 28<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2004.

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JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

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THUS DONE, SIGNED AND ADOPTED on this the 28<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2004, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

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ISABELLA L. DE LA HOUSSAYE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

Mayor de la Houssaye opened the public hearing on proposed ordinance no. 1294. The ordinance on Compensation of the Mayor and Other Officers and Officials was read by title.

Mr. Regan asked for opponents to the proposed ordinance no. 1294. A third and final call was made with no one from the audience coming forward to speak.

Mr. Regan asked for proponents of the proposed ordinance no. 1294. There were no comments after the third and final call.

Council member asked questions for clarification on the proposed ordinance.

Mayor de la Houssaye called the public hearing on proposed ordinance no. 1294 to a close.

Mayor de la Houssaye opened the public hearing on proposed ordinance no. 1293. The ordinance on the Annual Operating Budget for Fiscal 2005 was read by title.

Mr. Regan asked for opponents to the proposed ordinance no. 1293. A third and final call was made with no one from the audience coming forward to speak.

Mr. Regan asked for proponents of the proposed ordinance no. 1293. There were no comments after the third and final call.

Council member asked questions for clarification on the proposed ordinance.

Mayor de la Houssaye called the public hearing on proposed ordinance no. 1293 to a close.

Alderman Martin offered a motion to approve a budget amendment for Fiscal 2005 to include \$35,000 in the Capital Outlay-Training Facility account. Seconded by Alderman Thomas and duly adopted.

Alderman Thomas offered a motion to authorize Mayor de la Houssaye to sign a negotiated contract with Quality Builders of Lafayette to build a burn building at the firemen's training facility for \$99,880. Seconded by Alderman Buatt and duly adopted.

Alderman Martin offered a motion accept the recommendation of Chief Gibson to re-employ Luke LeBlanc as a Probational Patrolman effective August 15, 2004, pending approval of the Civil Service. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted.

There being no further business to come before the Council upon motion duly made by Alderwoman Melancon and seconded by Alderman Martin the meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

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ISABELLA L DE LA HOUSSAYE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

Presented rough draft to Mayor on July 29, 2004 at 1:45 p.m.

Presented for Mayor signature on July 29, 2004 at 2:00 p.m.

Mayor signed & returned to City Clerk on \_\_\_\_\_, 2004 at \_\_\_\_\_ .m.