**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**

**HELD AT SCOTT CITY HALL
THURSDAY, August 6, 2020, 2020 AT 6:00 PM**

The Mayor and City Council Members met in Regular Session, Thursday,
August 6, 2020, all Councilmen were present.

Councilman Bergeron led the Prayer and Pledge.

Councilman Montoucet motioned to accept the minutes from the July 2, 2020 meeting as written. Seconded by Councilman Hollier, motion approved.

Councilman Bergeron motioned to accept the July 2020 Financial Statement. Seconded by Councilman Montoucet motion approved.

The Mayor’s Report included the announcement of Household Hazardous Waste Day to be held on Saturday, September 12, 2020 from 9-1 pm. The engineering contract for the St. Mary St. sidewalk project went out for bid and work pruning the trees at City Hall/Begnaud House will begin later this week.

Mr. Mark Savoy, Groom’s Engineering reported on Street Overlay project will begin in the next two weeks. Ms. Anna Doucet with Fenstermaker reported that construction of the L8C will be completed by the end of September.

The following candidates asked for support in the upcoming election on November 3, 2020: Michele Billeaud, District Judge Div. K; Dona Renegar, District Judge Div. M; Daniel Landry, District Attorney; Shelly Maturin, District Judge Div. K.

Mr. Caleb Lege, Scott Business Association President presented Sgt. Christopher Taylor with Police Officer of the Year Award. Chief Sonnier presented the Firefighter of the Year Award to Les Hollister. Chief Leger presented Sgt. Gary Nezat with his second “Lifesaving Award” in his career.

Councilman Bergeron gave a brief update on the Census 2020.

Councilman Montoucet motioned to adopt Ordinance 2020-14, an ordinance amending the City of Scott Land Use map. Seconded by Councilman Suire, motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Montoucet motioned to adopt Resolution 2020-24, a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract between this City of Scott and Vegetation Management Specialist, Inc. for the Bermuda Release Program for drainage laterals for the years 2021 through 2025. Seconded by Councilman Boudreaux.

Councilman Hollier motioned to amend the budget in the miscellaneous line item in the amount of $1,455.45 for a micro-grant received from State Farm/Scott Community Charities. Seconded by Councilman Suire, motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Montoucet motioned to amend the police department budget line item of repairs and maintenance in the amount of $1,248 for unforeseen towing/storage costs. Seconded by Councilman Boudreaux, motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Boudreaux motioned to adopt Resolution 2020-27, a resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an amendment to the environmental services agreement between the City of Scott and Clean Earth Environmental Solutions, Inc. (formerly Stericycle Environmental Solutions, Inc.) for the collection of hazardous waste in the City of Scott. Councilman Boudreaux explained that it would be a three-year contract and the company assists with the annual Household Hazardous Waste Day. No discussion. Seconded by Councilman Montoucet, motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Richard led the discussion on future plans regarding the Cayret St. property, Farmers Market, Boudreaux House, Veteran’s Memorial. The Mayor stated that more than likely the “Grey House” lot would become a parking space. He stated that the main goal is to beautify and transform the downtown area and still open to all ideas.

Councilman Suire motioned to adopt Resolution 2020-23, A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an act of abandonment (Emerald Lake Subdivision Phase II). Seconded by Councilman Hollier, motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Bergeron motioned to adopt Resolution 2020-25, A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to request direct payments from the State of Louisiana from the allocation of funds to the State of Louisiana from the Coronavirus Relief Fund created by the Cares Act. No discussion. Seconded by Councilman Boudreaux, motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Hollier motioned to deny a variance to the sale of alcohol- Sec. 4-48(b) for the proposed convenient store, “More 4Less.” The Mayor stated the Land Use Code is permittable, but Ordinance 1988-3 supersedes the Land Use Code. The store will still be able to proceed with building but will not be able to sell alcohol. Many residents were in attendance in opposition to granting the variance to allow alcohol sales. After a lengthy discussion the motion was seconded by Councilman Montoucet, carried unanimously.

Councilman Boudreaux introduced Ordinance 2020-15, an ordinance amending appendix C of the municipal code to revise, enact and adopt fines and penalties for traffic and misdemeanor violations committed within the corporate limits of the City of Scott. The ordinance will be up for adoption at the next regular council meeting scheduled for September 3, 2020 at 6 pm.

Councilman Suire motioned to adopt Resolution 2020-26, a Resolution authorizing the mayor to execute a master service agreement between Global Data Fusion, LLC, and the City of Scott for the provision of drug testing services to the Scott Police Department. Seconded by Councilman Montoucet, motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Montoucet motioned to approve a variance to Chapter 40 Land Use Code to allow use of property located at 407B Highway 93 and 111 Wanda St. for temporary storage of insurance vehicles with a 400 ft. setback. No discussion. Seconded by Councilman Suire, motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Hollier motioned to establish sewer impact fees for the Berchman Oaks Subdivision in connection with the Westgate/ Des Jacques area regional sewer pump station project. Seconded by Councilman Suire, motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 7:30pm.

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Shelley M. Gautreau
City Clerk