

**MINUTES
FOR THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF AUGUST 10, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Mandeville City Council was called to order by the Council Chairman at 6:00 p.m. followed by roll call. Mr. Zuckerman asked for a moment of silence in memory of former Councilwoman Carla Buchholz.

ROLL CALL - present: Jason Zuckerman, Jill McGuire, Rick Danielson, Skelly Kreller, Rebecca Bush

Also present: Keith LaGrange, PW Director, Joanna Anderson, Human Resource Director, Kathleen Sides, Finance Director, Mayor Madden,

MINUTES:

1. Adoption of the July 24, 2023, Sucette Meeting Minutes. A motion was made by Mrs. Bush and seconded by Mrs. McGuire. With no further comments or questions a vote was taken and the minutes were adopted 5-0.

2. Adoption of the July 26, 2023, Budget Meeting Minutes. A motion was made by Mrs. Bush and seconded by Dr. Kreller. With no further comments or questions a vote was taken and the minutes were adopted 5-0.

3. Adoption of the July 27, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes. A motion was made by Mrs. Bush and seconded by Mrs. McGuire. With no further comments or questions a vote was taken and the minutes were adopted 5-0.

REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mr. Zuckerman reminded everyone of the glass recycle and shred event on August 19th from 8-11am at the Community Center. School has started so please be mindful of the children and school zones. The council will hold another budget meeting on Monday, August 14th at City Hall and a Sucette meeting on Tuesday, August 15th at the Community Center. The mayor reminded everyone of the start of the Fall Concert Series September 15th with Amanda Shaw. Also, the services for former Councilwoman Carla Buchholz will be Friday, 2pm at St. Timothy's.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Adoption of Ordinance No. 23-28; AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF MANDEVILLE SPECIFYING "NO PARKING" ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF CLAIBORNE BETWEEN CARROLL AND LAFITTE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 10.64 "REGULATIONS AT SPECIFIC LOCATIONS" OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MANDEVILLE AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH. A motion was made by Mrs. Bush and seconded by Mrs. McGuire. Mr. Zuckerman explained this is at the request of a resident (Mr. Younger). The council deferred this ordinance to do more research, get the history of the location and information about the adjacent block's "no parking" signs. Mr. LaGrange explained he cannot find an ordinance that enacted "no parking" on the adjacent block. He discussed how the parking situation for LaLou's is a good example of how people should park, and it is permeable. There are on y two spaces in front of the Younger's residence and the overflow goes between Rest-A-While and then Carroll. He recommends allowing "intentional" parking with curbing which would protect people's property. The north side is already culverted and has the capability for parking while the south side could add a sidewalk. Mrs. McGuire asked if we do not do the "no parking", how long will this take? Mr. LaGrange stated this would be done in house but would have to go through P&Z to develop a plan moving forward. Mr. Zuckerman stated this would

reestablish 2 parking spots to get vehicles off the street. Dr. Kreller feels parking is a commodity and feels allowing “no parking” signs would set a precedent and would not be a realistic option. Parking is scarce in Old Mandeville. Mr. Mike Pierce agrees with Mr. LaGrange and believes this follows the B3 plan and would improve traffic flow. Mr. Charles Guinchard would like to have the city monitor people who park on top of the sidewalks. Some of the sidewalks are so close to the street, cars park on top of the sidewalk and force pedestrians to walk on the street. Mr. Zuckerman agrees and would like to have the city focus more attention to the placement of sidewalks. Sidewalk locations need to be evaluated because it also removes the vegetation. Mr. Brian Rhinehart believes the “no parking” signs just popped up and were not authorized. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the ordinance failed 0-5.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Approval of the special event Festival of the Lake, Friday, November 10th thru Sunday, November 12th to be held at 312 Lafitte St, Mandeville LA. Times to be: Friday, 5pm – 10pm; Saturday, 11am – 10 pm and Sunday, 11 am – 5pm. A motion was made by Mr. Danielson and seconded by Mrs. McGuire. Fr. Busch explained the theme this year will be “let there be Light”. The bands will consist of: Bag of Donuts, Christian Serpas and Ghost Town, Peyton Falgoust and Adam Pearce. Aside from the bands, there will be wine tasting, raffles, and plenty of games for everyone to enjoy. If anyone is interested in being a sponsor, they can go to their website. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the application was approved 5-0.

2. Approval of the special event; Winterland, Friday, November 24th thru Sunday, December 31st from 9am – 9pm to be located in the parking lot of 1200 W. Causeway Approach, Mandeville. A motion was made by Mrs. McGuire and seconded by Dr. Kreller. Dr. Kreller explained this is the 3rd annual holiday event. There will be sledding this year and he encouraged all to attend. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the application was approved 5-0.

3. Approval of the special event: OMBA -Rockin the Lake, Saturday, October 21st from 2pm – 9pm, rain date Sunday, October 22nd to be located on the Mandeville Lakefront (refer to map) Contingent upon; approval of MPD detail set up for barricades, signage, and fees; approval of MPD event detail; ATC alcohol permit; and approval of cleanup procedures including OMBA securing 2 dumpsters. A motion was made by Mrs. Bush and seconded by Mrs. McGuire. Mr. Charles Guinchard explained this is a new event for the city. This will be an art and music festival with over 100 art vendors along the lakefront. He would like to have a conversation with the city about a reduced or free police detail since they are a nonprofit. He is also requesting the following: vendor set up starting at 11am and the event to end at 10pm instead of 9pm. ; this was seconded by Mr. Danielson. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the amendment was approved 5-0. Fr. Busch wanted to make the city aware that day, OLL will be having confirmation starting at 10am so parking may be a little tight. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the application was approved 5-0.

4. Approval of the substantial completion of Task Order #3, 2022 Roadway Drainage as of July 27, 2023. A motion was made by Mrs. Bush and seconded by Mr. Danielson. Mr. LaGrange explained there are only a few punch list items remaining and once completed, they will start on TO #4. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the substantial completion was approved 5-0.

5. Nomination and Discussion of commissioner for appointment to the Mandeville Planning & Zoning Commission (to be voted upon at the August 24, 2023, council meeting). A motion was made by Mrs. Bush and seconded by Dr. Kreller. Mr. Zuckerman explained this is to fill the

expired term of Nixon Adams. The council received 3 applications and a few years ago the Council passed their rules for appointment. The councilman from which the departing commissioner resides gets together with one of the At-Large councilmen to discuss and make a nomination. All other councilmen have the right to interview all the applicants. They will present their nomination and then vote on August 24th. He and Dr. Kreller would like to nominate Nick Cressy. Dr. Kreller appreciates all the nominations willing to serve, they were all excellent candidates, and this is for a 7-year term. Mr. Zuckerman agrees and appreciates their willingness to volunteer and hopes they will keep their name in the hat for future openings. This nominee will work on the master plan and CLURO updates. Dr. Kreller stated Nixon has been on the commission for almost 40 years and has given lifelong service to the commission and the community. Mr. Zuckerman appreciates his service and last year he agreed to fill an unexpired term since there were several new commissioners and he has so much experience. The council will vote on the nominee at their next meeting – August 24th. Mrs. Bush served on the commission with Nixon and announced all former councilman are invited to attend his last meeting on August 22nd. Mr. Ernest Burguières would like to see the resume of Nick Cressy. Mrs. Sconzert explained this can be done via public records request. Mr. Zuckerman stated we will contact Mr. Cressy and if he does not object, his resume will be posted on the website.

6. Adoption of Resolution No. 23-29: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MANDEVILLE ACCEPTING THE BIDS FOR THE HARBOR FIELD UPGRADES CONTRACT, PROJECT NO. 100.21.002, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH THE APPARENT LOW BIDDER BSD CONSTRUCTION, LLC AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH. A motion was made by Mrs. Bush and seconded by Mrs. McGuire. Mr. Zuckerman explained this is for the Harbor Field renovation. Mr. Vaughan Sollberger explained the bids came in a little higher than expected. This will flood proof the building and bring the entire site back into commerce. They will be replacing the wood with steel so it will be flood resistant, make sure to maintain the 2 live oaks, and have flood resistant landscaping. Ms. Bartholomew stated the National Flood Conference will be here in 2025 and they would like to see the finished project. The mayor explained this will also be the bathroom for the Lakefront. Mr. Glen Runyon asked how much this will be over bid? Mrs. Sides stated the bid was \$1.375 million and \$1.1 million was in the original budget. The total project including design, resident inspection, etc. is \$1.6 million, so it is around \$400K over budget. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the resolution was approved 5-0.

7. Adoption of Resolution No. 23-30; A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A CAPITAL OUTLAY GRANT AWARD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,000,000.00 FROM THE STATE OF LOUISIANA FOR THE CITY OF MANDEVILLE, POLICE DEPARTMENT BUILDING, PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION AND EXECUTION OF A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH. A motion was made by Mrs. Bush and seconded by Mrs. McGuire.

The mayor explained this is a capital outlay grant from the state in which the city receives \$2 million towards the renovation of the Police department building. The total cost is between \$4-5 million. Senator McMath and Rep. Richard Nelson were proud supports of this initiative. The city can apply for more money again during the next legislative session. Mr. McGuire stated the building is in bad shape and is not sufficient during emergency situations. Mr. Danielson explained this resolution is to allow the mayor to move forward with the grant funding from the state, but the council will still have to budget funding for the remaining portion of the project.

Mrs. Sides stated we have appropriated \$667K this fiscal year and have and carryover of \$400K from last year. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the resolution was approved 5-0.

8.Introduction of Ordinance No. 23-32; AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MANDEVILLE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NUMBER 22-17, THE CAPITAL BUDGET OF THE CITY OF MANDEVILLE AND FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH A motion was made by Mrs. Bush and seconded by Mrs. McGuire. Mr. Zuckerman explained this is regarding Harbor Field and will be discussed and voted upon at the next meeting.

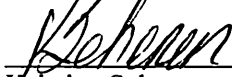
PUBLIC COMMENT:

Ms. Cindy Metranga owns a lot in Hermitage and wanted an update on the berm project. Mr. Zuckerman explained the council passed a resolution to redefine the scope and objectives of the project and that has been forwarded to the engineers. They are expecting a presentation from them soon with possible design options.

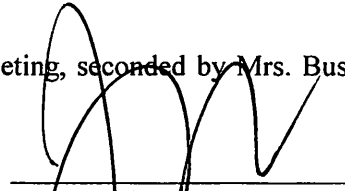
PROJECTS IN PROGRESS REPORT:

Mr. LaGrange reviewed the project report with the council. Mr. Danielson asked if the city has received the 25% reimbursement for the Neighborwoods project. Mrs. Sides stated not yet, but it is in next year's revenue numbers.

Mrs. McGuire made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mrs. Bush. Mr. Zuckerman adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.



Kristine Scherer
Council Clerk



Jason Zuckerman
Council Chairman