**MINUTES**

**FOR THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF FEBRUARY 24, 2022**

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.

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

**Also present:** Keith LaGrange, Director of Public Works. Elizabeth Sconzert, City Attorney, Mayor Madden

**MINUTES:**

1. Adoption of the February 10, 2022, Regular Meeting Minutes. A motion was made by Mrs. Bush and seconded by Mrs. McGuire to adopt the minutes. With no further comments or questions a vote was taken and the minutes were adopted 5-0.

**REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**:

Mr. Zuckerman reminded everyone City Hall will be closed this Monday and Tuesday for Mardi Gras. Also, Krewe du Pooch will be held on March 5th starting at noon.

The mayor stated Eve was a great success and there will be a few things they will do differently next year.

**PRESENTATION:**

Mr. David LeBreton, Digital Engineering, presented an update on the city’s Capital projects. Mr. Danielson asked how wide the berm is proposed to be? Mr. Lebreton explained the berm will be 50 feet with the sidewalk pieces at 16ft. Mr. Danielson also asked where it will be connecting with Lakeshore Dr. Mr. LeBreton stated that has not been decided yet, but he would envision it connecting east of Galvez.

Mr. Zuckerman asked if the Hwy 190 project will just be a median? Mr. LeBreton explained there will be a median and greenery to soften the area.

Mr. Zuckerman had questions about the shoreline protection and flood control east project. Would we be spending any additional money this year? Mr. LeBreton explained they are currently investigating other agencies that could assist with the project and analyze data.

Mr. Danielson reminded Mr. LeBreton that there is a Cleco grant available which could be used as a resource for the lighting at the Harbor Field project.

Mr. Danielson thanked Mr. LeBreton for the capital project update and stated this could be used as a base for the capital budget FY23. Mr. Danielson also asked Mr. LaGrange if he has been able to order equipment and other smaller items in his budget request. Mr. LaGrange explained they have ordered several items and are moving forward with their requests.

Mr. Danielson asked about the tennis courts in Golden Glen. Mr. LeBreton explained they are finishing up the scope and are preparing different cost scenarios, it will probably be in next year’s budget.

Mr. Danielson asked about the force protection measures and gates around the police department. The mayor explained this will be addressed with the city hall/police station renovation project.

Mr. Danielson also inquired about the status of the protection film on the police vehicles. Capt. Miazza explained he does not have an update on this yet.

Mr. Craig Toomey asked if there will be left turn lanes on the Hwy 190 project. Mr. Lebreton explained they are discussing this in the design phase. There are over 80 driveways on this path, and they will have established left turn lanes where the feel safety would not be an issue.

**OLD BUSINESS**: none

**NEW BUSINESS**:

1.Approval of the appointment to Fire District #4 Commission. A motion was made by Mrs. McGuire and seconded by Mrs. Bush. Mr. Zuckerman explained the Fire District #4 has a 5-member board; two members are appointed by the City Council. One appointment is open now and the second will be next year. Mr. Danielson made a motion to re-appoint Mr. Amedee, seconded by Mrs. McGuire. Mrs. Bush explained while she cannot disagree with the re-appointment of Mr. Amedee, if she had the motion, she would have chosen Mr. Potter. She would like to see a representative from the west side of town on the commission. Mrs. McGuire appreciates all of the applicants who are up for consideration. Mr. Amedee comes highly recommended by the Chief and their chairman, Bill Dobson. Mr. Amedee had been instrumental in helping the district obtain a class 1 rating as well as international accreditations and his experience is very beneficial. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the appointment was approved 5-0

2. Approval of the special event application for [Crawfish Cookin for a Cause](https://www.cityofmandeville.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/Crawfish-Cooking-for-a-Cause-2022.pdf) Cook-Off, Saturday, April 30, 2022 from 11:00am – 5:00 pm to be located on the Lakefront in front of PYC and the small boat launch. A motion was made by Mrs. Bush and seconded by Dr. Kreller. Mrs. McGuire explained this event started over 10 years ago. Each year the organization chooses a member of the community who could use assistance due to medical issues. Funds raises are donated to help support their expenses during their difficult time. With no further comments or questions, a vote was taken, and the application was approved 5-0

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mr. Toomey expressed his frustration with the signal light issue at Monroe and E. Causeway, it has been 8 months. Mr. LaGrange explained the causeway commission has told him the part was ordered, will be delivered in mid March, and installed the week after.

Ms. Rhonda Alleman expressed her concerns with the public comment period of the meetings and the lack of discussion for introductory items. She feels the public should be able to provide comments for introductory items similar to the work sessions for P&Z. Mr. Zuckerman explained he will look into the process.

**PROJECTS IN PROGRESS (STATUS REPORT):**

**Mr. LaGrange presented the project report to the council.**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mrs. Bush made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Danielson. Mr. Zuckerman adjourned the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

/s/ /s/

Kristine Scherer Jason Zuckerman

Council Clerk Council Chairman