

REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 14, 2016

The Regular Meeting of the Jennings City Council was convened on the 14th day of June, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. in the Jennings City Council Chambers, 154 N. Main Street, Jennings, Louisiana with President Stephen VanHook and a quorum present.

Jennings City Council Members present: Carolyn Simon, District A; Johnny Armentor, District B; Trey Myers, District C; Stephen VanHook, District E

Jennings City Council Members Absent: Anthony LeBlanc, District D

The Prayer was led by Ms. Simon and Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Armentor.

It was moved by Mr. Armentor, seconded by Mr. Myers and carried by unanimous voice vote to **APPROVE** the Minutes of the May 10, 2016 Regular Meeting.

Resolution No. 1713A – a resolution affirming support for application to the Governor’s Office of Community Development, 2015-16 Community Water Enrichment Funds, for Water System Improvements in the City. After no comment or discussion, it was moved by Mr. Armentor, seconded by Ms. Simon and carried by unanimous yeas voice vote to **INTRODUCE & ADOPT** RESOLUTION NO. 1713A.

Ordinance No. 1714 – an ordinance to adopt the Budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 of the Pay Plan and Operating & Capital Outlay. A hearing for public participation of the Proposed Budget was held just prior to the Council Meeting in compliance with LRS 39:1306-07. It was motioned by Ms. Simon and seconded by Mr. Myers to introduce Ordinance No. 1714. It was then opened for any public questions or comments. After no public comment or questions, it was carried by unanimous yeas of voice vote to **INTRODUCE** ORDINANCE NO. 1714.

Ordinance No. 1715 – an ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 1699 which established the Pay Plan and Operating & Capital Outlay for FYE 2016. The amendments were made in order to record accurate fund transfers & expenditures for the Facilities Improvements Fund. It was motioned by Mr. Myers and seconded by Mr. Armentor to introduce Ordinance No. 1715. After no public comment or questions, it was carried by unanimous yeas of voice vote to **INTRODUCE** ORDINANCE NO. 1715.

Ordinance No. 1716 – an ordinance to increase the water & sewer rates and connections for FY 2016-17. It was motioned by Mr. Armentor and seconded by Ms. Simon to introduce Ordinance No. 1716. After no public comment or questions, it was carried by unanimous yeas of voice vote to **INTRODUCE** ORDINANCE NO. 1716.

Ordinance No. 1717 – an ordinance to set the garbage collection and disposal rates for FY 2016-17. It was motioned by Ms. Simon and seconded by Mr. Myers to introduce Ordinance No. 1717. After no discussion or comment, it was carried by unanimous yeas of voice vote to **INTRODUCE** ORDINANCE NO. 1717.

Ordinance No. 1718 – an ordinance allowing the Mayor to execute annual Joint Service Agreements with various public entities. It was motioned by Mr. Armentor and seconded by Mr. Myers to introduce Ordinance No. 1718. After no discussion or comment, it was carried by unanimous yeas of voice vote to **INTRODUCE** ORDINANCE NO. 1718.

Ordinance No. 1713 – an ordinance to adopt and set the levy of the Library millage above the prior year’s millage rate up to the adjusted maximum millage for the 2016 year – not rolling forward year because of renewal election. As per LRS 42:19.1 notice was published in the Jennings Daily News on

Wednesday, May 4, 2016 & posted on the City of Jennings website, announced verbally to the public at the May 10, 2016 City Council meeting and our LA State Senator & Representative were notified. The ordinance was read in full and opened for public comment, discussion or questions. After no public comment or discussion, it was moved by Ms. Simon and seconded by Mr. Myers and carried by unanimous voice vote to **ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 1713**. Published: May 12, 2016

Yeas: Johnny Armentor, Trey Myers, Carolyn Simon & Stephen VanHook

Nays: None

Abstained: None

Absent: Anthony LeBlanc

Under *Other Business* was to discuss demolition and cleanup of the property at 1114 Orange Street belonging to Darrell Craven, et al. The structure has been declared unsafe, falling down and needs to be condemned. A certified letter was sent to the owner to appear before the Council to address the issue. Since no one was present, it was moved by Mr. Myers, seconded by Mr. Armentor and carried by unanimous voice vote to refer this matter the Mayor's office to appoint an attorney to contact the property owner for demolition and cleanup of their property.

It is mandated each year by the State of Louisiana that the City of Jennings name an Official Municipal Journal. It was moved by Mr. Armentor, seconded by Ms. Simon and carried by unanimous voice vote to name the *Jennings Daily News* as the City's Official Municipal Journal for the year 2016-17.

President Stephen VanHook reminded everyone of the Special Meeting to be held on June 28, 2016 called for by the City Clerk at the request of council members.

With no further business, it was moved by Mr. Myers, seconded by Mr. Armentor and carried by unanimous voice vote to ADJOURN this Regular Meeting on June 14, 2016 of the Jennings City Council at 5:43 p.m.

ATTEST:

/s/Barbara Lantz

Barbara Lantz, Secretary
Jennings City Council

Stephen VanHook, President
Jennings City Council