

## REGULAR MEETING

APRIL 9, 2019

The Regular Meeting of the Jennings City Council was convened on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2019 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; Clifton LeJeune, District C; Anthony LeBlanc, District D; Stephen VanHook, District E

Jennings City Council Members Absent: None

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. LeJeune and carried by unanimous yeas of voice vote to **APPROVE** the Minutes of the March 12, 2019 Regular Meeting.

Resolution No. 1746A – a resolution to exempt the City of Jennings local sales tax on the purchase of crawfish bait by crawfish producers actively involved in the business of crawfishing. It was motioned by Mr. Armentor and seconded by Ms. Simon to introduce and adopt Resolution No. 1746A. Mr. Don Gauthier stated that almost all of the entities in the parish have adopted this resolution. Gauthier also said that no other parishes touching Jefferson Davis Parish were charging a tax on bait to crawfish farmers. Gauthier stated that this resolution would keep the purchases of bait local and that was good for business. After no other comment or questions, it was carried by unanimous yeas of voice vote to **INTRODUCE & ADOPT** Resolution No. 1746A.

Resolution No. 1746B – a resolution of the City of Jennings to oppose all proposed legislation that permits the legislature to remove the authority of local governments to administer and collect local sales & use taxes. It was motioned by Mr. LeBlanc and seconded by Mr. Armentor to introduce and adopt Resolution No. 1746B. The Mayor stated that the state was proposing a single sales & use tax collection at the state level as opposed to entities collecting locally. All issues had not been worked out as of yet, so that is why he was supporting the resolution. After no other comment or questions, it was carried by unanimous yeas of voice vote to **INTRODUCE & ADOPT** Resolution No. 1746B.

Ordinance No. 1744 – an ordinance wherein the City Council sets & approves the levy of the General Alimony Millage, Street Maintenance Millage & Library Millage rates, not to exceed the prior year's maximum. It was motioned by Ms. Simon and seconded by Mr. Armentor to adopt Ordinance No. 1744. The ordinance was read in full and opened for public comment, discussion or questions. After no public comment or discussion, it was carried by unanimous voice yeas of vote to **ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 1744**. Published: March 17, 2019

Yeas: Johnny Armentor, Anthony LeBlanc, Clifton LeJeune, Carolyn Simon & Stephen VanHook

Nays: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

Ordinance No. 1745 – an ordinance to authorize the Mayor of the City of Jennings to execute a contract with BFI Waste Services, LLC *d/b/a Republic Services of Acadiana-Scott* and repealing all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict therewith. It was motioned by Mr. LeJeune and seconded by Ms. Simon to adopt Ordinance No. 1745. The Mayor stated that they had worked with Republic Services to secure the best possible contract. With no other comment or questions, it was carried by unanimous yeas of voice vote to **ADOPT** Ordinance No. 1745.

Ordinance No. 1746 – an ordinance to authorize the Mayor of the City of Jennings to enter into a Joint Services Agreement with the Jefferson Davis Parish Sheriff’s Office and the Jefferson Davis Parish Police Jury and repealing all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict therewith. It was motioned by Mr. LeBlanc and seconded by Mr. Armentor to adopt Ordinance No. 1746. The Mayor stated that this ordinance would allow our local judicial system to secure needed space for misdemeanor inmates. With no other comment or questions, it was carried by unanimous yeas of voice vote to **ADOPT** Ordinance No. 1746.

Next was to authorize the mayor to accept the lowest responsible bidder for the Public Safety Building Exterior Renovations – Base Bid and/or Alternates 1,2,3. It was motioned by Mr. Armentor and seconded by Mr. LeBlanc to authorize the mayor to accept the lowest responsible bidder for the Public Safety Building Exterior Renovations – Base Bid and Alternates 1 & 2. Bids were opened on March 14, 2019 at 10:00am. Architect Wayne Domingue of *Architects Southwest* stated that this project would enhance the outside elements of the Safety Building and recommended to award the contract to the low bidder L.K. Breaux & Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$339,400.00.

**SAFETY BUILDING EXTERIOR RENOVATIONS**

**TOTAL BASE BID**

With Alternates 1 & 2

**ACADIANE’ RENOVATIONS, LTD**

15223 Hwy 182 West  
Franklin, LA 70538  
License No. 16992

**\$394,500.00**

5% Bid Bond Attached  
Receipt of Addendum #1

**LAVERGNE CONSTRUCTION, LLC**

PO Box 63  
Carencro, LA 70520  
License No. 52573

**\$345,500.00**

5% Bid Bond Attached  
Receipt of Addendum #1

**L.K. BREAUX & ASSOCIATES, INC**

P.O. Box 316  
Crowley, LA 70527  
License No. 45494

**\$339,400.00**

5% Bid Bond Attached  
Receipt of Addendum #1

**TRAHAN CONSTRUCTION, LLC**

104 Arthur Avenue  
Lake Arthur, LA 70549  
License No. 42520

**\$518,500.00**

5% Bid Bond Attached  
Receipt of Addendum #1

With no other public comments or questions, it was carried by unanimous yeas of voice vote to refer the proposed bids to the Mayor’s office to **ACCEPT** the lowest responsible bidder meeting all the specifications.

With no further business on the agenda, it was moved by Mr. Armentor, seconded by Mr. LeJeune and carried by unanimous yeas of voice vote to **ADJOURN** this Regular Meeting on April 9, 2019 of the Jennings City Council at 5:48 p.m.

ATTEST:

/s/Barbara Lantz

Barbara Lantz, Secretary  
Jennings City Council

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Stephen VanHook, President  
Jennings City Council