

**REGULAR MEETING**

**January 11, 2022**

The Regular Meeting of the Jennings City Council was convened on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2022 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; Clifton LeJeune, District C; Anthony LeBlanc, District D; Stephen VanHook, District E

Jennings City Council Members Absent: Johnny Armentor, District B

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

It was moved by Mr. LeJeune, seconded by Mr. LeBlanc and carried by unanimous yeas of voice vote of those in attendance to **APPROVE** the Minutes of the December 14, 2021 Regular Meeting.

Ordinance No. 1777 – an ordinance to amend the Jennings Airport Hazard Zoning Ordinance; 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. 1777. Mayor Henry Guinn stated that a zoning request to build a structure in a fly zone of the airport brought to light that a variance by a non-elected board could override council wishes. This ordinance makes the City Council the appeals authority, not a civilian board. After no questions or comments, it was carried by unanimous yeas of roll call voice vote of those in attendance to **ADOPT** Ordinance No. 1777.

Mr. Chad Crochet of the J. Aaron Cooper, CPA, LLC Accounting Firm presented the City of Jennings' Audit Report for Fiscal Year Ending 06/30/21. Mr. Crochet stated that they gave the City an Unqualified Opinion which is the best outcome that a city can have. There were no findings for the year. The auditor highlighted the revenues, expenditures and depreciation of the funds for the year (the entire audit can be found on the City of Jennings' & LA Legislative Auditor's websites: [www.cityofjennings.com](http://www.cityofjennings.com) & [www.la.state.la.us](http://www.la.state.la.us)). Mr. Crochet thanked the mayor and city's financial staff for working so well with him. The mayor thanked the auditor and the financial staff for the hundreds of hours spent working on the audit. The council thanked the auditors, the mayor and the financial staff. Mr. LeJeune asked Mr. Crochet (not an employee of the city) if the city was well run financially. In his opinion, Mr. Crochet stated it was. Mr. Crochet introduced Mr. Nic Langley, CPA and Ms. Daphne Berken, CPA of Langley, Williams & Company, LLC. Mr. Langley stated that they have bought the accounting firm of J. Aaron Cooper, CPA and are excited to be in Jennings to service & support the community. A few other questions were addressed, including if the audit was available in its entirety on the website, which it is.

With no further business on the agenda, it was moved by Mr. LeJeune, seconded by Mr. LeBlanc and carried by unanimous yeas of voice vote of those in attendance to ADJOURN this Regular Meeting on January 11, 2022 of the Jennings City Council at 5:55 p.m.

ATTEST:

/s/Barbara Lantz

Barbara Lantz, Secretary  
Jennings City Council

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Stephen VanHook, President  
Jennings City Council