

REGULAR MEETING

NOVEMBER 13, 2018

The Regular Meeting of the Jennings City Council was convened on the 13th day of November, 2018 at 5:32 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 Mr. LeJeune and Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ms. Simon.

It was moved by Mr. LeJeune, seconded by Mr. LeBlanc and carried by unanimous yeas of voice vote to **APPROVE** the Minutes of the October 9, 2018 Regular Meeting.

Resolution No. 1742B – a resolution to affirm support for application to the Governor’s Office of Community Development, 2018-2019 Community Water Enrichment Funds, for the installation of new waterlines to be used for new development in the City. It was motioned by Mr. LeJeune, seconded by Ms. Simon to introduce and adopt Resolution No. 1742B. Mayor Henry Guinn stated the City is applying for a grant of up to \$50,000 to be used toward installation of new waterlines. After no other comment or discussion, it was carried by unanimous yeas of voice vote to **INTRODUCE & ADOPT** Resolution No. 1742B.

Ordinance No. 1743 – an ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 1736 that established the Pay Plan, Operating and Capital Outlays Budget for fiscal year July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019. It was motioned by Ms. Simon and seconded by Mr. LeBlanc to introduce Ordinance No. 1743. Mayor Guinn explained that this budget amendment would increase the funding for the new Advanced Read Water Meter project that the council supported. At the time of the original discussion the council agreed to the \$500,000 purchase of the meters. However if the council agreed to increase the funding to allow for the purchase of more meters to cover about 50% of the City, the time span for the total project would shrink tremendously and be more cost effective. With no public comments or questions, it was carried by unanimous yeas of voice vote to **INTRODUCE** Ordinance No. 1743.

Next was to authorize the mayor to accept the lowest responsible bidder for the 2018-2019 Street Improvement Program. It was motioned by Mr. LeJeune and seconded by Mr. LeBlanc to authorize the mayor to accept the lowest responsible bidder for the 2018-2019 Street Improvement Program. Bids were opened on October 30, 2018. Engineer Karl Aucoin recommended awarding the contract to the low bidder Coastal Bridge Company in the amount of \$511,316.00.

2018-19 STREET IMPROVEMENT

TOTAL BASE BID

Estimated Cost: \$550,000.00

COASTAL BRIDGE CO., LLC
P.O. Box 14715
Baton Rouge, LA 70898
License No. 481

\$511,316.00
5% Bid Bond Attached
Receipt of Addendum #1

DIAMOND B CONSTRUCTION CO., LLC
2090 Industrial Park Road
Alexandria, LA 71306
License No. 12487

\$654,970.00
5% Bid Bond Attached
Receipt of Addendum #1

ELLIOT CONSTRUCTION, LLC
P.O. Box 366
Grand Coteau, LA 70541
License No. 51821

\$513,569.00
5% Bid Bond Attached
Receipt of Addendum #1

PRAIRIE CONTRACTORS, INC.
P.O. Box 1530
Opelousas, LA 70571
License No. 34356

\$592,287.00
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.

Next was to authorize the Mayor to accept the lowest responsible bidder for the furnishing and installation of Phase 2 of the Advanced Water Reading System – Electronic Read Meters. It was motioned by Mr. LeBlanc and seconded by Ms. Simon to authorize the Mayor to accept the lowest responsible bidder for furnishing and installation of Phase 2 of the Advanced Water Reading System – Electronic Read Meters. Mayor Guinn stated that Phase 1 was the installation of the Electronic Read Meters in Silverwood that was paid due to a grant that the City received and that project was a success. Phase 2 would be the purchase and installation of about 2,059 Electronic Read Meters which would be about 50% of the households of the City. The only bid received on October 17, 2018 was from Ferguson Waterworks at \$766,548.00. This project would be of great benefit to the residents as well as to the City. Mr. LeJeune asked if this would change the employment of the City. Mayor Guinn stated that it would not directly change immediately but possibly by attrition. With no other public comments or questions, it was carried by unanimous yeas of voice vote to refer the proposed bid to the Mayor's office to **ACCEPT** the bid if it met all the specifications.

Ordinance No. 1742 – an ordinance amending the City of Jennings Code of Ordinances regarding garbage, trash and refuse and repealing all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict therewith was **REMOVED** from **ON HOLD** with no opposition due to continued work on this particular code.

With no further business, it was moved by Mr. LeJeune, seconded by Ms. Simon and carried by unanimous yeas voice vote to ADJOURN this Regular Meeting on November 13, 2018 of the Jennings City Council at 5:41 p.m.

ATTEST:

/s/Barbara Lantz
Barbara Lantz, Secretary
Jennings City Council

Stephen VanHook, President
Jennings City Council