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REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2022 - 6:00 P.M.

ST. GABRIEL CITY HALL COMPLEX - 5035 IBERVILLE STREET - ROOM 32

ST. GABRIEL, LOUISIANA

**MEETING MINUTES**

1. **CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL – PRAYER – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the Mayor and City Council was called to order at approximately 6:05 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Councilman Ronald Grace, Sr.

Councilman Jeffery Hayes, Sr.

Councilman Ralph Johnson, Sr.

Councilman Kelvin York, Sr.

Absent: Councilman Melvin Hasten, Sr.

4 of 5 Council Members were in attendance for a quorum.

Presiding: Lionel Johnson, Jr., Mayor

Recording: Constance Barbin, City Clerk

**PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Johnson led with a moment of silence followed by a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. **PUBLIC FORUM** – **Please register with the City Clerk prior to the beginning of the meeting indicating your topic of discussion. Topics should be on agenda items.**

* Mr. Steven Senter – Topic: Willow Glen Terminal will begin moving oil

1. **ACTION ITEMS**
   * 1. **MOTION** **CONSIDERATION** - To Approve and Adopt Minutes of Regular Meeting dated April 21, 2022

On a motion by Councilman Hayes to approve the minutes and seconded by Councilman Johnson, motion was approved and adopted.

* + 1. **MOTION CONSIDERATION** – To Approve Resolution(s) of Condolence
       1. Family of Reverend Lionel Johnson, Sr., - native and resident of St. Gabriel and father of COSG Major Lionel Johnson, Jr.
       2. Family of Ms. Toni Vito - native of St. Gabriel
       3. Family of Mrs. Adeline Lodge - native and resident of St. Gabriel and great aunt of COSG Councilman Kelvin York, Sr.

On a unanimous motion and unanimous second, resolutions were approved

* + 1. **MOTION CONSIDERATION** – To set a public hearing for Thursday, June 16, 2022, to solicit comments for the application for variance for minimum front yard, minimum interior side yard and maximum building height.

Ms. Rebecca Miller, on behalf of New Cingular Wireless PCS LLC; Lavar Greenhouse, AT&T; and Katherine Morass, daughter of the property owner John Lapeyrolerie, provided additional information regarding the application for variance.

On a motion by Councilman York and seconded by Councilman Hayes, motion was approved.

* + 1. **MOTION TO ADOPT** - Plaquemine Post as City’s Official Journal for 2022-2023 Fiscal Year

On a motion by Councilman Grace and seconded by Councilman York, Plaquemine Post was adopted as the city’s official journal.

* + 1. **INTRODUCTION** - 2022-2023 Financial Budget and set Special Budget Meeting for Thursday, June 2, 2022, and Public Hearing for Thursday, June 16, 2022.

On a motion by Councilman Grace and seconded by Councilman York, dates for Special Meeting and Public Hearing were approved.

1. **COUNCIL REPORT**

**Councilman Hayes** – UT Ball program is up and running – 27 kids between ages 3 and 6 enrolled; season officially starts June 1st.

**Councilman Johnson** – Bayou Breaux Bridge project update: received email from DOTD stating due to brine line in basin, there will be a three-month review to determine how to install the bridge; they don’t know when they will start work again; reaching out to Gov. Edward regarding the bridge situation. Events for month of June include Juneteenth activities, Live After 5, and Freedom Riders ride.

**Councilman York** – DOTD needs to do a better job of informing the Mayor and City regarding what is going on with the bridge; we should not have to keep trying to contact DOTD.

**Councilman Grace** – No report

1. **MAYOR REPORT**

**Action Items:**

* Pay App #4 payable to KTB – $22,500

On a motion by Councilman Johnson with a second by Councilman Hayes, pay app was approved.

**Announcements:**

* Displeased with Bayou Breaux Bridge delay
* Maryland and Morris Streets Project will be rebid
* Congratulations to the graduates at MSA East Academy and East Iberville High School

1. **ADJOURNMENT**