

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING  
TUESDAY  
AUGUST 25, 2020  
5:00 P.M.

NOTICE OF A SPECIAL MEETING

Opelousas, Louisiana  
August 20, 2020

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT a Special Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Opelousas, State of Louisiana, has been ordered and called and will be held at their regular meeting place in the Meeting Room at City Hall, 105 N. Main Street, Opelousas, Louisiana, on Tuesday, August 25, 2020, at 5:00 o'clock P.M. for the following purpose(s):

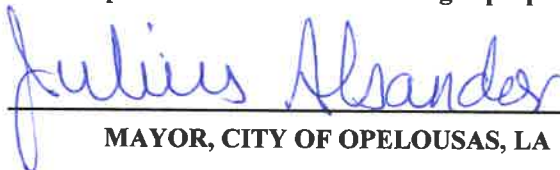
PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. A PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE, SALE, AND DELIVERY OF EIGHT MILLION TWENTY-SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$8,026,000) UTILITY REVENUE REFUNDING BOND, SERIES 2020C, CITY OF OPELOUSAS, STATE OF LOUISIANA; PRESCRIBING THE FORM, TERMS, AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH BOND AND PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.
2. A PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE, SALE, AND DELIVERY OF TWO MILLION SIX HUNDRED TWENTY-SEVEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,627,000) PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT SALES TAX REFUNDING BOND, SERIES 2020 OF THE CITY OF OPELOUSAS, STATE OF LOUISIANA; PRESCRIBING THE FORM, TERMS, AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH BOND AND PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

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And to take all action necessary in the premises and to take up all other matters which might properly come before the meeting.

  
MAYOR, CITY OF OPELOUSAS, LA

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic mandates for social distancing, the meeting was open to limited general public but was LIVE-STREAMED ON THE WWW.CITYOFOPELOUSAS.COM website.

With Mayor Julius Alsandor presiding, the meeting was called to order.

The Clerk read the Acknowledgement of Electronic Service:

JULIUS ALSANDOR  
MAYOR



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**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ELECTRONIC SERVICE**

I do hereby **ACKNOWLEDGE** that I did electronically receive the 24-hour notice of service for the Special Meeting of Tuesday, August 25, 2020, to be held at Five (5:00) o'clock P.M.



Alderman-at-Large

Absent

Alderman, District A



Alderman, District B



Alderman, District C



Alderman, District D

Absent

Aldерwoman, District E

ALDERMEN  
MARTIN REYNARD, ALDERMAN AT LARGE; MELTON HATFIELD, DISTRICT A; FLOYD BUREL, DISTRICT B; CHARLES CUMMINGS, DISTRICT C;  
SHERILL ROBERTS, DISTRICT D; CHARITY DAVIS, DISTRICT E

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The following Council members were PRESENT: Marvin Richard, Floyd Ford, Charles Cummings, and Sherell Roberts. ABSENT: Milton Batiste III and Chasity Davis.

After a moment of silent meditation, the Prayer was led by Mr. Loren Carriere, Executive Director of Hope for Opelousas. The Pledge to the U.S. Flag was led by Aldermen Floyd Ford and Charles Cummings, both military veterans.

On a motion by Alderman Marvin Richard and seconded by Alderman Charles Cummings, it was resolved to adopt the agenda as presented. A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

YEAS: Marvin Richard, Floyd Ford, Charles Cummings, and Sherell Roberts.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Milton Batiste III and Chasity Davis.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Pursuant to an advertisement in the *Daily World*, a Public Hearing was opened at 5:08 p.m., TO DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE, SALE, AND DELIVERY OF EIGHT MILLION TWENTY-SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$8,026,000) UTILITY REVENUE REFUNDING BOND, SERIES 2020C, CITY OF OPELOUSAS, STATE OF LOUISIANA; PRESCRIBING THE FORM, TERMS, AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH BOND AND PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH. Mr. Eric LaFleur spoke via telephone to give a brief overview of what was discussed at the prior Council meeting. He explained that existing bonds were being refunded to put the City in a position to make sure that the COVID-19 related issues that the City has already experienced are covered so that the City can restructure and go forward. Mayor Alsandor opened the floor for any questions. No questions or comments from the Council or the audience who were present. The Public Hearing was closed at 5:11 p.m.

Pursuant to an advertisement in the *Daily World*, a Public Hearing was opened at 5:12 p.m., TO DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE, SALE, AND DELIVERY OF TWO MILLION SIX HUNDRED TWENTY-SEVEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,627,000) PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT SALES TAX REFUNDING BOND, SERIES 2020 OF THE CITY OF OPELOUSAS, STATE OF LOUISIANA; PRESCRIBING THE FORM, TERMS, AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH BOND AND PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH. Senator LaFleur remained on the telephone in case there were any questions about the aforementioned bond issue. He stated that nothing has changed. He pointed out that one bond is a sales tax refinancing bond and the other is a utility refinancing bond and they go hand-in-hand. He stated that everything is in place to move forward with the closing on tomorrow. No questions or comments. Mayor Alsandor opened the floor for any questions. No questions or comments from the Council or the audience who were present. The Public Hearing was closed at 5:14 p.m. Mayor Alsandor thanked Mr. LaFleur and Mr. John Mayeaux for their efforts and working with the City but more so for the transparency they have given this Council and this administration when it references the bonds they have here. He pointed out that we had to extend the bonds but that we are in a better position now to move forward because of the pandemic we are in and the many other hardships that we are confronting and will be facing as we continue to move forward. Mr. LaFleur thanked the Mayor and his staff who were diligent in getting their jobs done.

**ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES**

**CITY OF OPELOUSAS, STATE OF LOUISIANA**

The following ordinance, having been previously introduced on August 18, 2020, and a public hearing having been held on August 25, 2020, was offered for adoption by Alderman Marvin Richard and seconded by Alderman Floyd Ford:

**ORDINANCE 20-07**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE, SALE, AND DELIVERY OF EIGHT MILLION TWENTY-SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$8,026,000) UTILITY REVENUE REFUNDING BOND, SERIES 2020C, CITY OF OPELOUSAS, STATE OF LOUISIANA; PRESCRIBING THE FORM, TERMS, AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH BOND AND PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.**

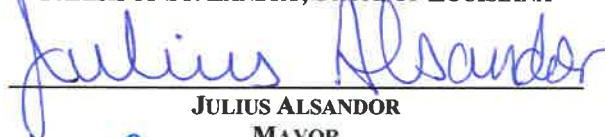
This Bond Ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

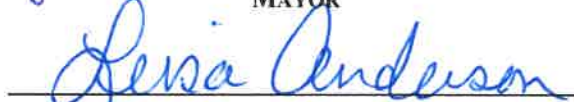
| Name                  | Yea | Nay | Abstaining | Absent |
|-----------------------|-----|-----|------------|--------|
| Charles W. Cummings   | X   |     |            |        |
| Chasity Davis         |     |     |            | X      |
| Floyd Ford            | X   |     |            |        |
| Marvin Tyrone Richard | X   |     |            |        |
| Milton Batiste, III   |     |     |            | X      |
| Sherell Roberts       | X   |     |            |        |

And the bond ordinance was adopted on August 25, 2020.

CITY COUNCIL OF OPELOUSAS

PARISH OF ST. LANDRY, STATE OF LOUISIANA

  
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MAYOR

  
LEISA ANDERSON  
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**ORDINANCE 20-08**

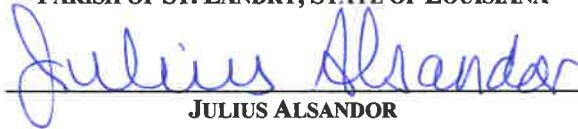
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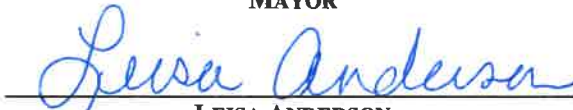
| Name                  | Yea | Nay | Abstaining | Absent |
|-----------------------|-----|-----|------------|--------|
| Charles W. Cummings   | X   |     |            |        |
| Chasity Davis         |     |     |            | X      |
| Floyd Ford            | X   |     |            |        |
| Marvin Tyrone Richard | X   |     |            |        |
| Milton Batiste, III   |     |     |            | X      |
| Sherell Roberts       | X   |     |            |        |

And the bond ordinance was adopted on August 25, 2020.

CITY COUNCIL OF OPELOUSAS  
PARISH OF ST. LANDRY, STATE OF LOUISIANA



JULIUS ALSANDOR  
MAYOR



LEISA ANDERSON  
CLERK

(COMPLETE ORDINANCE AVAILABLE FOR VIEWING ON [WWW.CITYOFOPELOUSAS.COM](http://WWW.CITYOFOPELOUSAS.COM) OR COPIES MAY BE OBTAINED IN THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, 105 N. MAIN STREET)

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

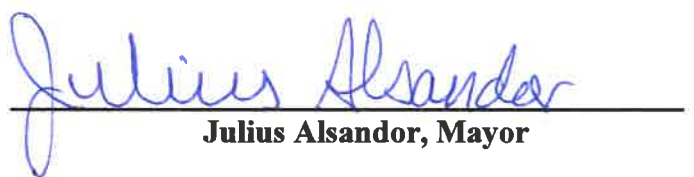
Alderman Marvin Richard announced that this weekend is I-49 Riders' Seventh Annual Back to School Drive. He stated that normally they hold it at the Boys & Girls Club but with COVID, they will do a drive-thru at Don's Car Care on Saturday, August 29, 2020 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. He thanked his colleagues and everyone who helped to make it successful.

There being nothing further to come before the Council, on a motion by Alderman Charles Cummings, seconded by Alderman Marvin Richard and unanimously carried, it was resolved that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 5:22 p.m.

ATTEST:



Leisa S. Anderson, City Clerk



Julius Alsandor, Mayor