

CITY OF OPELOUSAS  
OPELOUSAS, LOUISIANA  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 9, 2021

The Council of the City of Opelousas, Parish of St. Landry, State of Louisiana, convened in a regular session on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of February 2021 at 5:00 p.m. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic mandates for social distancing and limited occupancy requirements, the meeting was open to limited general public and was **LIVE-STREAMED ON THE WWW.CITYOFOPELOUSAS.COM** website.

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

Mayor Alsandor requested the Clerk to call the roll and the following Council members were PRESENT: Marvin Richard, Milton Batiste III, Floyd Ford, Charles Cummings, Sherell Roberts, and Chasity Davis. ABSENT: None.

A moment of silent meditation was observed. Mr. Victor Lewis, administrator of J. S. Leadership Academy, Opelousas, Louisiana, led the prayer.

Mr. Patrick Jenkins, St. Landry Parish School Board Superintendent and Retired U.S. Army Major, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

At this time, Mayor Julius Alsandor gave remarks about the late Ms. Laura Balthazar who passed away recently. Ms. Balthazar served as St. Landry Parish Sheriff and then moved on to work as Chief Administrative Officer for the City of Opelousas under the administration of Mayor Donald Cravins, Sr. She served as an advocate for sexual assault victims' rights for numerous years. Reverend Gerald Toussaint, Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church and Morning Star Baptist Church, Opelousas, LA offered words of prayer for those we have lost and for the City.

On a motion by Alderman Milton Batiste III and seconded by Alderman Marvin Richard, it was resolved to APPROVE the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held 01/12/2021. A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

YEAS: Marvin Richard, Milton Batiste III, Floyd Ford, Charles Cummings, Sherell Roberts, and Chasity Davis.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

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: Milton Batiste III, Floyd Ford, Charles Cummings, Sherell Roberts, Chasity Davis, and Marvin Richard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

- **Three-minute recess for submission of public comments/questions.**

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Reading of Public Comments/Questions, if any. No public comments or questions were submitted regarding the agenda; however, the following members of the audience made announcements:
  - ❖ Mr. Eric Williams – Mr. Williams is the founder of Guns Down, Power Up. He is interested in providing community prayer, community-based events and establishing a chess club to teach chess and conduct chess tournaments.
  - ❖ Ms. Lena Charles – Ms. Charles, Opelousas Downtown Development District Chairwoman, stated that they will be conducting the third community Input meeting for Master Plan suggestions at the Courthouse Square on 02/27/2021 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The public is invited to attend.
  - ❖ Mr. Jessie Bellard – Mr. Bellard, acting Parish President, reminded the public that there will be a Special Election held on 03/20/2021 for election of Parish President. He stated that since he has been in office, he has restructured Parish Government; restructured the Parish Public Works division to have more Intergovernmental Agreements for use of equipment by the Municipalities so they can have more projects done on the Northside and Southside of town along with resurfacing of gravel roads; and restructured the Parish Airport. Mr. Bellard stated that he needs the support of the public to make things happen.
- COVID-19 Update from Opelousas General Health Systems (OGHS) representative. Mr. Ken Cochran, present CEO for the Opelousas General Health Systems (OGHS), stated that the COVID-19 numbers were improving. Currently they have treated 510 COVID positive in-patients and they have tested and treated 9,000 outpatients. The hospital is at capacity in the ICU and almost at capacity in the in-patient care unit for both COVID and non-COVID patients. Blood supply is at an all-time critical low—there will be a blood drive on 02/17/2021 at the main campus. The hospital has treated 121 out patients with antibody infusion treatment which is administered to mild to medium symptom patients. There are currently 2 vaccines available – Pfizer and Moderna – which are 2-dose vaccines. There is a 94-96% effectiveness 14 days after the second dose is administered. There have been about 3400 doses administered so far which includes a little over 2000 first doses and 1300 second doses. The hospital currently only has 10 COVID in-patients. For more information regarding scheduling an appointment to receive the COVID-19 vaccine, use the following link: <https://bookoghs.timetap.com/>
- Mr. Patrick Jenkins, St. Landry Parish School Superintendent, gave a brief overview of the schools over the course of last year. Pre-K students through 4<sup>th</sup> grade students returned full time in October. Seniors who wished to return to the classroom in-person returned last Wednesday. This Wednesday, the 5<sup>th</sup> grade students return to the classroom full time. As they get more information from the CDC, they are going to look at another round of students to return in person. Students who are utilizing satellite schooling have been provided with a laptop or device to use and the teachers have also been issued laptops. Sanitation procedures are being followed in the classrooms and on the school buses. On the academic front, they are experiencing many firsts. The school districts have received CARES Act funding and they have utilized about 80% of that funding. On the athletic front, of the 6 basketball teams, there are 5 teams expected to make the State Playoffs. The Opelousas High Boys Team is ranked 2<sup>nd</sup> in the State and the Opelousas High Girls Team is ranked 8<sup>th</sup> in the State. It is also time for Kindergarten Roundup—the theme this year is “Kindergarten Superheroes”.
- Chief Martin McLendon addressed the Council to take into consideration the things that have happened throughout the City of Opelousas. He is deeply concerned that there is a crisis in law enforcement due to the violent crimes that are taking place in the City of Opelousas. Chief McLendon asked them to help him make the City safe. He stated that his department cooperated during the budget process and had their overtime budget slashed. He is requesting to raise the pay for the entry level police officers only to \$15.00 per hour and bump the PFC's up by 2% so they won't ever catch up to one another. He stated that he is not asking for a vote on a raise tonight but asking for a vote of confidence to ask Mr. Woods if they can afford this. He stated that they cannot keep officers if they continue to pay them \$13.00 an hour. This matter will be referred to the Budget Committee. No action taken at this time.

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**REPORTS**

Review Monthly Finances. Mr. Stephen Woods gave the financial report for the month ending 01/31/2021. On a motion by Alderman Charles Cummings and seconded by Alderwoman Chasity Davis, it was resolved to accept the Monthly Finance Report as presented. A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

YEAS: Floyd Ford, Charles Cummings, Sherell Roberts, Chasity Davis, Marvin Richard, and Milton Batiste III.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

Engineer's Monthly Report. A copy of the Engineer's Monthly Report was provided to the Council members. Mr. Jarrell gave the following updates: \$500,000 state-funded Water System Repair Project is in the design phase with anticipated submission of plans to FP&C for review in March; received authorization from FP&C to move forward with the Water Meter Replacement Project; Engineer has ridden with council member through their districts and offered suggestions on Street Improvements Project for their various districts. On a motion by Alderman Milton Batiste III and seconded by Alderman Charles Cummings, it was resolved to accept the Engineer's Monthly Report as presented in writing. A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

YEAS: Charles Cummings, Sherell Roberts, Chasity Davis, Marvin Richard, Milton Batiste III, and Floyd Ford.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

City Attorney's Report. Attorney Broussard stated that he had no report and that his matter would be handled under the Executive Session section.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**REVIEW NOMINATIONS AND APPOINT TWO (2) MEMBERS TO FILL VACANCIES ON THE MUNICIPAL CIVIL SERVICE BOARD AS PER ARTICLE 10, PART 1, SECTION 4(D) OF THE LOUISIANA CONSTITUTION.**

The following nominees were presented to fill vacancies on the Municipal Civil Service Board:

McNeese State University – Mr. Ronald J. Marcantel nominated by Alderman Charles Cummings.

Grambling State University – Mr. Victor Lewis nominated by Alderman Milton Batiste III.

No other nominations were offered.

On a motion by Alderman Charles Cummings and seconded by Alderwoman Sherell Roberts, it was resolved to approve the recommendation to appoint Mr. Ronald Marcantel to the Opelousas Municipal Civil Service Board to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. Pride Doran. A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

YEAS: Sherell Roberts, Chasity Davis, Marvin Richard, Milton Batiste III, Floyd Ford, and Charles Cummings.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

On a motion by Alderman Milton Batiste III and seconded by Alderwoman Chasity Davis, it was resolved to approve the recommendation to appoint Mr. Victor Lewis to the Opelousas Municipal Civil Service Board to fill the vacancy created by the passing of Mr. Robert Morrison. A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

YEAS: Chasity Davis, Marvin Richard, Milton Batiste III, Floyd Ford, Charles Cummings, and Sherell Roberts.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

On a motion by Alderwoman Sherell Roberts and seconded by Alderwoman Chasity Davis and Alderman Milton Batiste III, it was resolved to grant Authority for the Mayor, City Clerk, and Treasurer to sign the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for Audit Engagement for Governments for FY 2019-2020. A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

YEAS: Marvin Richard, Milton Batiste III, Floyd Ford, Charles Cummings, Sherell Roberts, and Chasity Davis.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

On a motion by Alderman Milton Batiste III and seconded by Alderman Marvin Richard and Alderwoman Sherell Roberts, it was resolved to GRANT AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH ST. LANDRY PARISH SOLID WASTE TO SECURELY DISPOSE OF CITY SURPLUS ELECTRONIC-RELATED ITEMS NO LONGER NEEDED OR USED BY THE CITY OF OPELOUSAS. A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

YEAS: Milton Batiste III, Floyd Ford, Charles Cummings, Sherell Roberts, Chasity Davis, and Marvin Richard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

On a motion by Alderman Milton Batiste III and seconded by Alderwoman Chasity Davis and Alderman Marvin Richard, the following Resolution was offered for adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 01 OF 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE, EXCHANGE OR DISPOSAL OF ANY SURPLUS PROPERTY NOT NEEDED OR USED BY THE CITY OF OPELOUSAS FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES, FIXING THE MINIMUM PRICES AND TERMS OF THE SALE OR EXCHANGE THROUGH PUBLIC AUCTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Opelousas, Louisiana, the Governing Authority of the City of Opelousas, that the Mayor is hereby authorized for and on behalf of said political subdivision to sell, exchange or otherwise dispose of the property, subject to the minimum price and terms set by the City of Opelousas. Said property is not needed for any public purposes.

Mechanical Issue

Vehicle #	<u>04-105</u>	Make:	GMC Envoy	VIN:	1GKDS13S742410811	Bad engine
Vehicle #	<u>09-107</u>	Make:	Dodge Charger	VIN:	2B3KA43T69H542829	Bad engine

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Vehicle #	<u>08-115</u>	Make:	Dodge Magnum	VIN:	2D4GV57288H188443	Bad engine
Vehicle #	<u>08-116</u>	Make:	Ford Crown Vic	VIN:	2FAFP71V78X137125	Bad engine
Vehicle #	<u>06-128</u>	Make:	Chevrolet Impala	VIN:	2G1WS581669322163	Major Front End Work
Vehicle #	<u>15-138</u>	Make:	Ford Interceptor SUV	VIN:	1FM5K8ARXFGA47141	Major Body Work / Transmission
Vehicle #	<u>01-149</u>	Make:	Ford F-350	VIN:	3FTSW31L31MA69491	Engine / Drive Train
Vehicle #	<u>12-153</u>	Make:	E350 Wagon XL	VIN:	1FBSS3BL8CDA59763	Bad engine
Vehicle #	<u>09-156</u>	Make:	Dodge Charger	VIN:	2B3KA43T89H542833	Body Work & Door
Vehicle #	<u>11-168</u>	Make:	Chevy Impala	VIN:	2G1WD5EM4B1263003	Bad Transmission
Vehicle #	<u>11-176</u>	Make:	Chevy Impala	VIN:	2G1WD5EM5B1262992	Brake System
Vehicle #	<u>77-178</u>	Make:	Ford International	VIN:	1FDNJ75P1JVA43621	Fuel System / Brake System
Vehicle #	<u>08-180</u>	Make:	Ford Crown Vic	VIN:	2FAFP71V08X137130	Bad engine
Vehicle #	<u>08-181</u>	Make:	Ford Crown Vic	VIN:	2FAFP71V28X137131	Bad engine
Vehicle #	<u>11-185</u>	Make:	Chevy Impala	VIN:	2G1WD5EM7B1260631	Bad Transmission
Vehicle #	<u>11-188</u>	Make:	Chevy Impala	VIN:	2G1WD5EM6B1264637	Bad Transmission & Engine
Vehicle #	<u>11-189</u>	Make:	Chevy Impala	VIN:	2G1WD5EM6B1262306	Bad Transmission
Vehicle #	<u>08-147</u>	Make:	Dodge Charger	VIN:	2B3KA43HX8H185929	Bad engine
Vehicle #	<u>08-129</u>	Make:	Dodge Charger	VIN:	2B3KA43H98H185933	Body Work & Door
Vehicle #	<u>08-123</u>	Make:	Dodge Charger	VIN:	2B3KA43H78H185929	Bad engine
Vehicle #	<u>04-151</u>	Make:	Ford Crown Vic	VIN:	2FAFP71WV4X100623	Major Engine Repair

The property is owned by the City of Opelousas and descriptions and minimum bid for the listed property shall be as follows: \$400.00 for each vehicle with the exception of \$500.00 for the Ford International Bus.

The sales shall be made for cash. In any exchange the City shall receive not less than the minimum price listed. The designated Auction Company will deduct handling fees from the total proceeds collected following auction.

The Resolution having been submitted to a vote, was adopted as follows on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2021.

YEAS: Floyd Ford, Charles Cummings, Sherell Roberts, Chasity Davis, Marvin Richard, and Milton Batiste III.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

ATTEST:

  
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CITY CLERK

  
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MAYOR

At this time, Mayor Alsandor requested on behalf of the Police Chief that the Personnel Items be handled now if there was no objection from the Council. No objections made.

**PERSONNEL ITEMS**

On a motion that was unanimously moved and seconded, it was resolved to approve the Probational Promotion of Tyrone J. Davis from Permanent Police Officer First Class to Probational Police Sergeant, effective 03/07/2021. A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

YEAS: Charles Cummings, Sherell Roberts, Chasity Davis, Marvin Richard, Milton Batiste III, and Floyd Ford.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

On a motion by Aldermen Charles Cummings and Milton Batiste III and seconded by Alderman Marvin Richard and Alderwoman Chasity Davis, it was resolved to approve the Probational Promotion of Thad C. Leger from Permanent Police Officer First Class to Probational Police Sergeant, effective 03/07/2021. A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

YEAS: Sherell Roberts, Chasity Davis, Marvin Richard, Milton Batiste III, Floyd Ford, and Charles Cummings.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

**NEW BUSINESS (cont'd)**

Discuss the request for CONDITIONAL USE approval for property located in an NMU (NEIGHBORHOOD MIXED USE) ZONE at 511 S. Union Street to open a Child Day Care Center at the above-referenced location (Denise Edwards-Sunshine Bleu). The Planning Commission held a Public Hearing on 02/08/2021 and recommended approval of this item. On a motion by Alderwoman Chasity Davis and seconded by Aldermen Marvin Richard and Milton Batiste III, it was resolved to approve the request for CONDITIONAL USE approval for property located in an NMU (NEIGHBORHOOD MIXED USE) ZONE at 511 S. Union Street to open a Child Day Care Center at the above-referenced location (Denise Edwards-Sunshine Bleu). A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

YEAS: Chasity Davis, Marvin Richard, Milton Batiste III, Charles Cummings, and Sherell Roberts.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Floyd Ford (*stepped out*).

Discuss the request for VARIANCE approval for property located in an R-1 (RESIDENTIAL 1) ZONE at the 700 Block of West South Street to build and operate Transitional Housing Dorms at the above-referenced location (First Pentecostal Lighthouse-The Refinery Mission). The Planning Commission held a Public Hearing on 02/08/2021 and recommended approval of this item. On a motion by Alderman Charles Cummings and seconded by Alderman Marvin Richard, it was resolved to approve the request for VARIANCE approval for property located in an R-1 (RESIDENTIAL 1) ZONE at the 700 Block of West South Street to build and operate Transitional Housing Dorms at the above-referenced location (First Pentecostal Lighthouse-The Refinery Mission). A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

YEAS: Marvin Richard, Milton Batiste III, Floyd Ford, Charles Cummings, Sherell Roberts, and Chasity Davis.

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NAYS: None.  
ABSENT: None.

Discuss the request for VARIANCE approval for property located in an R-1 (RESIDENTIAL 1) ZONE at Pulford Street, Lot #35 to move a Mobile Home on the property (Granger Property Ventures LLC). The Planning Commission held a Public Hearing on 02/08/2021 and this item was tabled because Mr. Granger could not be in attendance. No action was taken on this item and it will be moved to next month's meeting.

On a motion by Alderwoman Sherell Roberts and seconded by Alderman Milton Batiste III, it was resolved to APPROVE CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 (FINAL) IN THE DECREASE AMOUNT OF \$2,259.30 FOR ROADWAY REPAIRS, ADDITIONAL DUCTILE IRON FITTINGS FOR THE TIE-INS AND SECTION OF 1 ½" WATERLINE REPLACED PER THE CITY AND OGH. THIS CHANGE ORDER IS FOR OGH WATER METER PROJECT W#299 (CONTRACTOR: BIHM CONSTRUCTION CO., INC.). A roll call vote was taken with the following results:  
YEAS: Milton Batiste III, Floyd Ford, Charles Cummings, Sherell Roberts, and Marvin Richard.  
NAYS: None.  
ABSENT: Chasity Davis (*stepped out*).

On a motion by Alderman Charles Cummings and seconded by Alderwoman Sherell Roberts, it was resolved to ACCEPT THE OGH WATER METER PROJECT, MGA PROJECT W#299, AS SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLETE (CONTRACTOR: BIHM CONSTRUCTION CO., INC.), with costs to be reimbursed by OGH. A roll call vote was taken with the following results:  
YEAS: Floyd Ford, Charles Cummings, Sherell Roberts, Marvin Richard, and Milton Batiste III.  
NAYS: None.  
ABSENT: Chasity Davis (*stepped out*).

On a motion by Alderman Milton Batiste III and seconded by Alderman Floyd Ford, it was resolved to GRANT AUTHORITY TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR UNIFORMS FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. A roll call vote was taken with the following results:  
YEAS: Charles Cummings, Sherell Roberts, Marvin Richard, Milton Batiste III, and Floyd Ford.  
NAYS: None.  
ABSENT: Chasity Davis (*stepped out*).

On a motion by Alderman Milton Batiste III and seconded by Alderwoman Sherell Roberts and Alderman Floyd Ford, it was resolved to GRANT AUTHORITY TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT: (a) Type E Multi-Grade Mix; (b) Type B Cold Mix; and (c) Chlorine. A roll call vote was taken with the following results:  
YEAS: Sherell Roberts, Chasity Davis, Marvin Richard, Milton Batiste III, Floyd Ford, and Charles Cummings.  
NAYS: None.  
ABSENT: None.

On a motion by Alderman Milton Batiste III and seconded by Aldermen Marvin Richard and Charles Cummings, it was resolved to GRANT AUTHORITY TO ADVERTISE FOR PROPOSALS FOR RFP NO. 2020-01 PROJECT MANAGEMENT, GRANT MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES. A roll call vote was taken with the following results:  
YEAS: Chasity Davis, Marvin Richard, Milton Batiste III, Floyd Ford, Charles Cummings, and Sherell Roberts.  
NAYS: None.  
ABSENT: None.

### PUBLIC HEARINGS

Pursuant to an advertisement in the *Daily World*, a Public Hearing was opened at 7:10 p.m. TO DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 12 OF 2020 TO REFLECT UPDATED FINANCIAL TERMS IN CONTRACT FOR LEASE-PURCHASE OF TWO FIRE TRUCKS. Mayor Alsandor read the title of the ordinance. He stated that this was an amendment to an ordinance that was discussed in full over the last couple of months and at the recommendation of legal counsel, it was advised that this amendment be done in a public meeting. No questions or comments from the Council or the public. The Public Hearing as closed at 7:11 p.m.

### ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES

#### ORDINANCE NO. 01 OF 2021

##### AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF OPELOUSAS TO ENTER A TAX-EXEMPT LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR THE ACQUISITION OF TWO FIRE TRUCKS

**WHEREAS**, on November 10, 2020, the City of Opelousas ("City") adopted Ordinance No. 12 of 2020 authorizing the City of Opelousas to Enter a Tax-Exempt Lease Purchase Agreement for the acquisition of two fire trucks;

**WHEREAS**, there was a clerical error in the text of Ordinance No. 12 of 2020;

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 12 of 2020 provided for a rate of interest of 2.72%, and a principal amount not to exceed \$1,900,000.00;

**WHEREAS**, the rate of interest should have been expressed as 2.98%;

**WHEREAS**, the principal amount of indebtedness authorized by the governing authority should have been no more than \$1,905,233.00;

**WHEREAS**, the governing authority desires by this Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 12 of 2020 to reflect the appropriate terms shown above;

**WHEREAS**, the governing authority desires that all other provisions of Ordinance No. 12 of 2020 maintain the force and effect of law; and



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WHEREAS, this Ordinance having been introduced on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of January 2021 by councilmember Milton Batiste III, a public hearing having been held on February 9, 2021, on motion by councilmember Marvin Richard and seconded by councilmember Chasity Davis, the following vote was held on February 9, 2021, for final adoption:

YEA: Marvin Richard, Milton Batiste III, Floyd Ford, Charles Cummings, Sherell Roberts, and Chasity Davis.

NAY: None.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Opelousas, in legal session convened, that Ordinance No. 12 of 2020 is hereby amended to reflect a rate of interest of 2.98%, and authorization of a principal indebtedness of no more than \$1,905,233.00. All other provisions of Ordinance No. 12 of 2020 shall remain unchanged and shall maintain the force and effect of law.

Done this 9<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2021, at Opelousas, Louisiana.

ATTEST:



HON. LEISA ANDERSON, CLERK



HON. JULIUS ALSANDOR, MAYOR

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

On a motion by Alderman Charles Cummings, seconded by Milton Batiste III and unanimously carries, it was resolved to go into Executive Session at 7:13 to discuss the following matters:

- Status Update on the following pending litigation:

- ❖ *Susan Savoy et. al v. St. Landry Crossing Limited Partnership I*, suit no. 20-2155-D, 27<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court, Parish of St. Landry;

Parties:

Plaintiffs: Susan Savoy, Alfred Savoy, Marcus Savoy obo M.S., Jawarnaca Tyler, Antonio Zachary, Jordan Zachary, Arieal Babineaux, Diana McDaniel

Defendants: St. Landry Crossing Limited Partnership I d/b/a St. Landry Crossing, the City of Opelousas, and ABC Water Company

- ❖ *Jonah Shykeem Coleman, Jr. v. The City of Opelousas, et. al*, suit no. 20-C-3779-B, 27<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court, Parish of St. Landry;

Parties:

Plaintiff: Jonah Shykeem Coleman, Jr.

Defendants: City of Opelousas, Martin McLendon, Tyron Andrepont, OGH Medical Services, Inc., HUB Enterprises, Inc., Joseph Livings, and Heath Dorman

On a motion by Alderman Milton Batiste III, seconded by Alderman Marvin Richard and unanimously carried, it was resolved to return to Regular Session at 7:31 p.m.

On a motion by Alderwoman Chasity Davis and seconded by Alderwoman Sherell Roberts, it was resolved to authorize the administration to defend the matter *Susan Savoy et. al v. St. Landry Crossing Limited Partnership I*, case no. 20-2155-D, in-house until further notice. A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

YEAS: Milton Batiste III, Floyd Ford, Charles Cummings, Sherell Roberts, Chasity Davis, and Marvin Richard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

On a motion by Alderman Charles Cummings and seconded by Alderwoman Chasity Davis, it was resolved to authorize the administration to tender to Risk Management our self-insured retention for the matter *Jonah Shykeem Coleman, Jr. v. The City of Opelousas, et. al*, case no. 20-C-3779-B. A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

YEAS: Floyd Ford, Charles Cummings, Sherell Roberts, Chasity Davis, Marvin Richard, and Milton Batiste III.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

There being nothing further to come before the Council, on a motion by Alderman Milton Batiste III, seconded by Alderwoman Chasity Davis and unanimously carried, it was resolved that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

ATTEST:



CITY CLERK



MAYOR