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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A public meeting will be held as follows:

DATE: Tuesday, April 13, 2021

TIME: 5:00 p.m.

PLACE OF MEETING: City of Opelousas Municipal Plaza Meeting Room, 105 N. Main Street, Opelousas, Louisiana 70570. Due to the current COVID-19 crisis and in compliance with the social and physical distancing order, this month's Council Meeting will be open to a limited general public and will be available for live-streamed viewing on the www.cityofopelousas.com website. Temperatures will be taken prior to entering the building and masks are required to enter the building. If your temperature exceeds 99.0 degrees, you will not be allowed in the building.

AGENDA:

REGULAR MEETING CALL TO ORDER

1. Roll Call.
2. Observe Moment of Silent Meditation.
3. Prayer by Rev. Brian P. Alfred, Mount Olive Baptist Church, Opelousas, Louisiana.
4. Pledge to U.S. Flag by Capt. Craig Thomas, U.S. Army Retired Sergeant.
5. Approve Minutes of a Regular Meeting held 03/09/2021.
6. **Adoption of Agenda.**
 - **Three-minute recess for submission of public comments/questions.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Reading of Public Comments/Questions, if any.
- Presentation to Mr. Joseph LaDay, former member of the Opelousas Municipal Fire and Police Civil Service Board.
- COVID-19 Update from Opelousas General Health Systems (OGHS) representative.
- Updates/Presentations from Mayor Julius Alsandor.

REPORTS

7. Review Monthly Finances.
8. Engineer's Monthly Report.
9. City Attorney's Report.

OLD BUSINESS

10. NONE.

NEW BUSINESS

11. Adopt the Millage Rate for Tax Year 2021.
12. Grant authority to accept the St. Landry Parish Sheriff's ACT OF DONATION of one (1) 2011 Chevrolet Silverado 2500 Pickup, VIN #1GC1KXCG7BF228108, to the City of Opelousas.
13. Approve the re-appointment of the following Opelousas Municipal Fire and Police Civil Service Board members for another three-year term, effective 04/25/2021 to 04/25/2024: (A) SARAH BRANTON; AND (B) HARRY JERRY.

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NEW BUSINESS (cont'd)

14. Approve the appointment of Dr. Joseph Guillory to the Opelousas Planning Commission for a three-year term, effective 05/01/2021 to 05/01/2024.
15. Discuss request for **ZONING CHANGE** to a C1 (COMMERCIAL 1) ZONE for property located in an **NMU** (NEIGHBORHOOD MIXED USE) ZONE on Wallior Street between E. Grolee and the Railroad Tracks to develop retail/light office space (FaKouri Enterprise).
16. Discuss request for **VARIANCE** approval (3 ½' set back and 1 ft. height variance) for property located in an **R1** (RESIDENTIAL 1) ZONE at 209 W. Smiley Street to continue the construction of a brick fence approximately 6" from curbing and 7.5 ft. in height (DaJavu Enterprise – Rene' Dejean).
17. Discuss request for **VARIANCE** approval for property located in a P (PARKS) DISTRICT at 300 Block W. Martin Luther King Drive to move a mobile home on site to open an ambulance station (St. Landry Parish School Board – Med Express).
18. Discuss request for **VARIANCE** approval for property located in an **NMU** (NEIGHBORHOOD MIXED USE) ZONE at 717 N. Court Street to build two (2) Duplexes at the above-referenced location (Alice Mwakitawa).
19. Discuss request for **VARIANCE** approval for property located in an **R1** (RESIDENTIAL 1) ZONE at Pulford Street, Lot #35 to move a Mobile Home on the property (Granger Property Ventures LLC).
20. Discuss request by Louisiana Drug Co., Inc./Tony Chachere's Creole Foods for approval of encroachment of 7 ft. into the 15 ft. utility easement located on the south side of property off Oakleaf Boulevard for expansion of warehouse at property described as follows:

That certain tract or parcel of ground, together with all buildings and improvements thereon, together with all servitudes, rights of way, appurtenances, thereunto belonging, situated in Sections 85, 105, and 106, Township 6 South, Range 4 East, St. Landry Parish, Louisiana, containing 11.113 acres, more or less, and being more particularly described as TRACT 2 as shown on that plat of survey prepared by Robert L. Wolfe, Jr., Registered Professional Land Surveyor dated October 13, 2003, revised February 21, 2005, which plat of survey recorded under Act. No. 941476 in Conveyance Book C-41, page 137. Said tract contains such dimensions, boundaries and configuration as set forth on the referred plat of survey.

PERSONNEL ITEMS

21. Approve the Extended Annual Leave for Permanent Police Lieutenant Rodney May, effective 02/08/2021 until further notice.
22. Approve the Extended Sick Leave for Permanent Police Lieutenant Frank J. Boudreaux, effective 02/12/2021.
23. Accept the Resignation of Permanent Police Officer Evan M. Sumrall, effective 03/05/2021.
24. Approve the Termination of Sick Leave for Permanent Police Lieutenant Michael L. Lacombe, effective 03/08/2021.
25. Approve the Termination of Sick Leave for Permanent Police Sergeant Ebony D. Martin, effective 04/05/2021.
26. Approve the Police Chief's recommendation of hire for Ralph Sheumaker as a maintenance worker for the Opelousas Police Department, effective 04/14/2021.
27. Approve the Police Chief's recommendation of hire for Jennah Alyse Martin as a Police Officer Recruit, effective 04/19/2021 with working test period to begin immediately upon completion of the six month formal training or completion of P.O.S.T. certification, whichever occurs first.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

- *Dupre Carrier Godchaux demand letter dated 4.8.21 regarding sums due on insurance audit.*

ADJOURNMENT

Anyone desiring to comment on an item on the agenda is encouraged to send comments as soon as practicable prior to the meeting. Comments may be submitted as follows:

- (a) Via Telephone at (337) 948-2520;
- (b) Via Facsimile at (337) 948-2593; or
- (c) Via E-mail at landerson@cityofopelousas.com

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