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Notice Posted: August 6, 2021 @ 1:15 p.m.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A public meeting will be held as follows:

DATE: Tuesday, August 10, 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 Mr. Kevin Citizen.
4. Pledge to U.S. Flag by Ms. Angela Augustine.
5. Approve Minutes of a Regular Meeting held 07/13/2021.
6. **Adoption of Agenda.**
- **Three-minute recess for submission of public comments/questions.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- COVID-19 Update from Opelousas General Health Systems (OGHS) representative.
- Updates/Presentations from Mayor Julius Alsandor.
- Reading of Public Comments/Questions, if any.

REPORTS

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

OLD BUSINESS

10. (A) Rescind the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Evangeline State Bank dated 07/13/2021.
(B) Approve a new agreement to place the SLFRF funds in an interest-bearing account based on the SLFRF guideline manual dated 06/24/2021.

NEW BUSINESS

11. Discuss request for CONDITIONAL USE approval for property located in an NMU ZONE (NEIGHBORHOOD MIXED USE ZONE) located at 159 Wallior Street to approve the building of the carwash at the location referenced above (UST Opelousas LLC – Wayne Champagne).
12. Discuss request for CONDITIONAL USE approval for property located in an NMU ZONE (NEIGHBORHOOD MIXED USE ZONE) located at 232/234 E. Leonard Street to operate a Beauty Salon and Retail Shop at the location referenced above (Anil Shah – Alisha Guillory).

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NEW BUSINESS (cont'd)

13. Discuss request for VARIANCE approval for property located in an NMU ZONE (NEIGHBORHOOD MIXED USE ZONE) located at 424 W. Cherry Street to operate an Automotive Repair Shop at the location referenced above (Travis Blevins – Riseman Jenkins).
14. Discuss request for VARIANCE approval for property located in an R1 ZONE (RESIDENTIAL 1 ZONE) located at 515 W. Martin Luther King Drive to operate an Event Center at the location referenced above (John E. Ortega – Felicia Tyler).
15. Discuss request for PRE-APPROVAL for a VARIANCE for property located in an R1 ZONE (RESIDENTIAL 1 ZONE) located at 716 E. Bellevue Street to operate a Beauty Shop near her home at the location referenced above (Domengeaux's Lumber Depot – Erica Sam).
16. Discuss request by Sun CHDO Corporation for Exclusive Option to Purchase from the City of Opelousas three (3) acres on Cherry Street.

BIDS

17. Accept Bids for Off-Site Gasoline/Diesel Fuel Two Card System (Bid #04-21).

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

18. INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH CRIME FIGHTERS OF LOUISIANA LLC REGARDING SECURITY CAMERAS.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

19. A PUBLIC HEARING FOR CONSIDERATION OF CONDEMNATION/DEMOLITION OF THE FOLLOWING PROPERTIES:
 - (a) Norma Jean Lewis Bolton, Usufruct Samuel Lewis, 614 Sherwood Street (Abandoned Brick Veneer House)
 - (b) Mervin & Philonese Dunbar Washington, 1502 E. Duson Street (Abandoned Wood Frame Structures)
 - (c) St. Landry Parish Police Jury, George Kipling Manuel ETALS T/S, 1523 W. Blanchard Street (Abandoned Asbestos Siding)
 - (d) Bessie Lee Williams, C/O Patricia Dixon, 1724 Bossier Street (Burned Wood Frame House)
20. A PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF THE OPELOUSAS DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT MASTER PLAN.
21. A PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE OPERATING BUDGET OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1, 2020 AND ENDING AUGUST 31, 2021.
22. A PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE OPERATING BUDGET OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1, 2021 AND ENDING AUGUST 31, 2022.

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES

23. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF THE OPELOUSAS DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT MASTER PLAN. (Vote Required)
24. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE OPERATING BUDGET OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1, 2020 AND ENDING AUGUST 31, 2021. (Vote Required)
25. AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE OPERATING BUDGET OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1, 2021 AND ENDING AUGUST 31, 2022. (Vote Required)

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RESOLUTIONS

26. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF THE OPERATING AND FRANCHISE AGREEMENT AND STREET LIGHTING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF OPELOUSAS, LOUISIANA (CITY) AND SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION (SLEMCO) FOR A PERIOD OF TEN (10) YEARS COMMENCING ON AUGUST 12, 2021 AND ENDING ON AUGUST 11, 2031.
27. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR FY2021 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) IN THE AMOUNT OF THIRTY-NINE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED EIGHTY-THREE DOLLARS (\$39,783.00) ON BEHALF OF THE OPELOUSAS POLICE DEPARTMENT.

CONSENT AGENDA

28. Approve the Police Chief's recommendation of hire for Keith A. Ollison as a Police Officer Recruit, effective 08/09/2021 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.
29. Approve the Provisional Appointment for Dola T. Sam as a Police Communications Officer, effective 08/09/2021. This appointment, if not terminated sooner, shall terminate on 11/09/2021 (3 months).

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- *Discussion by Attorney Michael Beckers regarding workers compensation litigation settlement for Darrell Wheeler.*

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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