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Notice Posted: May 5, 2023 @ 11:45 a.m.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A public meeting will be held as follows:

DATE: Tuesday, May 9, 2023

TIME: 5:00 p.m.

PLACE OF MEETING: City of Opelousas Municipal Plaza Council Chambers, 105 N. Main Street, Opelousas, Louisiana 70570.

This meeting is also available for live-stream viewing on www.cityofopelousas.com. Archived/Recorded videos of the meetings can be viewed on the Historic Opelousas Facebook page.

AGENDA:

REGULAR MEETING CALL TO ORDER

1. Roll Call.
2. Observe Moment of Silent Meditation.
3. Prayer by Pastor Clarence Lazard, St. Luke Baptist Church, Opelousas, Louisiana.
4. Pledge to U.S. Flag to be designated.
5. (a) Approve Minutes of a Regular Meeting held 04/11/2023.
(b) Approve Minutes of a Special Meeting held 04/24/2023
6. **Adoption of Agenda.**
 - Three-minute recess for submission of public comments/questions.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- COVID-19 Update from Opelousas General Health Systems (OGHS) representative.
- Presentation by Mrs. Sarah Branton, Fire & Police Civil Service Board chairperson, to introduce the new Fire & Police Civil Service Board Attorney Mr. Odgen Pitre.
- Presentation by Ms. Patrice Melnick, Museum Director, to announce art exhibit for the Talented and Gifted students.
- Presentation by Ms. Leisa Anderson, City Clerk, regarding upcoming Property Tax sale.
- Updates/Presentation by 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. *No Items Submitted.*

NEW BUSINESS

11. Grant Authority to advertise for a Public Hearing for consideration of condemnation/demolition of the following properties:
 - a. Charles G. Savoy & Jamie Lavine Savoy, (Abandoned Wood Frame Structure), 911 E. Sandoz Street
 - b. Garman Lafontaine, (Abandoned Wood Frame Structure), 1401 Attakapas Drive
 - c. Corey Goodman, (Burned Brick Structure), 322 Academy Street
 - d. Helping Hands, (Burned Abandoned Brick/Block Structure), (S/W Corner of Veazie & W. Landry Street), 1205 W. Landry Street
 - e. Herbert Columbus Castille, (Abandoned Wood Frame Structure), 622 Joseph Street
 - f. Henry Jackson, C/O Carisa Bernard, (Abandoned Wood Frame Structure), 426 S. Liberty Street
 - g. Celina Savoie Richard, C/O Raymond Richard, (Abandoned Wood Frame Structure), 833 East Street
 - h. Caleb Semien, Barbara J. Donatto Haydel ETALS (T/S), (Abandoned Wood Frame Structure), 637 Planters Street
 - i. St. Landry Parish Police Jury, Marva Broussard Allison (T/S), (Abandoned Wood Frame Structure), 619 Joseph Street
 - j. Opelousas City of, (Abandoned Concrete Block Structure), 1025 Cross Street

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NEW BUSINESS (cont'd)

12. Discussion by Alderwoman Delita Rubin-Broussard regarding the removal of junk cars, appliances, trash, etc., out of yards, streets, and properties.
13. Discuss Hunter Fontenot's request for SITE PLAN approval in a C1 ZONE (COMMERCIAL 1 ZONE) to construct a new business for Hydrographic Printing and Painting Services at Lot #6, Kayla-Jean Boulevard and the following:
 - a. VARIANCE APPROVAL for a 12 ft. setback in the rear of the building located at Lot #6, Kayla-Jean Boulevard.
 - b. VARIANCE APPROVAL for a 4 ft. allowance extending into public right-of-way at Lot #6, Kayla-Jean Boulevard.
14. Discuss Shannon Touchet – Emilie Rosette's request for the following:
 - a. CONDITIONAL USE approval in an NMU ZONE (NEIGHBORHOOD MIXED USE ZONE) to open a Sports Bar at 412 E. Jefferson Street.
 - b. CONDITIONAL USE approval in an NMU ZONE (NEIGHBORHOOD MIXED USE ZONE) to sell/serve Alcoholic Beverages in a Sports Bar at 412 E. Jefferson Street.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

15. INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1 OF 2020, SECTION 3-14 TO PROVIDE FOR FURTHER RESTRICTIONS ON SALE AND CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.
16. INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE INTENTION OF THE CITY OF OPELOUSAS, STATE OF LOUISIANA (THE "CITY"), TO ISSUE UTILITY REVENUE BONDS, IN ONE OR MORE SERIES, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS (\$100,000,000) FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING A PORTION OF THE COST OF CONSTRUCTING AND ACQUIRING ADDITIONS, EXTENSIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE UTILITY SYSTEM OF THE CITY; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.
17. INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 27, ARTICLE I, II, AND III (PRIVATE AMBULANCES AND NON-EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION) OF THE CITY OF OPELOUSAS CODE OF ORDINANCES.

CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS TO PROPOSED ORDINANCES

18. AMENDMENTS TO THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING THE RATES AND CHARGES, ON WATER AND SEWER SERVICE ACCOUNTS SERVED BY THE CITY OF OPELOUSAS, PARISH OF ST. LANDRY, STATE OF LOUISIANA; AND FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO, IF ANY.
19. AMENDMENTS TO THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF OPELOUSAS CODE OF ORDINANCES TO PROVIDE FOR THE ENFORCEMENT OF CERTAIN TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS BY AUTOMATED MEANS AND FOR CIVIL PENALTIES FOR THOSE CERTAIN TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS, IF ANY.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

20. A PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING THE RATES AND CHARGES, ON WATER AND SEWER SERVICE ACCOUNTS SERVED BY THE CITY OF OPELOUSAS, PARISH OF ST. LANDRY, STATE OF LOUISIANA; AND FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.
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ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES (VOTE REQUIRED)

22. ADOPT AN ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING THE RATES AND CHARGES, ON WATER AND SEWER SERVICE ACCOUNTS SERVED BY THE CITY OF OPELOUSAS, PARISH OF ST. LANDRY, STATE OF LOUISIANA; AND FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.
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ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS

24. ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS RECEIVED UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF THE SECOND DISBURSEMENT OF THE ARPA FUNDING.
25. ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A JOINT CONTRACT WITH AMERICAN BANK AS THE LEAD FISCAL AGENT FOR THE CITY OF OPELOUSAS FOR A TWO-YEAR PERIOD (2023-2025) ALONG WITH THE LOUISIANA ASSET MANAGEMENT POOL, INC. (LAMP).

CONSENT AGENDA (PERSONNEL)

26. Accept Fire Captain Brody Venable's Resignation, effective 05/08/2023, and approve payment in the amount of \$5,463.04 for two hundred sixteen (216) Vacation Hours and forty (40) Bonus Hours, pending verification from the Opelousas Fire & Police Civil Service Board.
27. Accept Fire Operator Carson Ray's Resignation, effective 05/13/2023.
28. Approve Permanent Fire Captain Joseph Shawn Brown's Promotion to Probational Assistant Fire Chief, effective 04/16/2023.
29. Approve Permanent Fire Lieutenant Justin Brown's Promotion to Probational Fire Captain, effective 04/16/2023.
30. Approve Permanent Fire Operator Jake Marks's Promotion to Probational Fire Lieutenant, effective 04/16/2023.
31. Approve Permanent Fire Captain Dwayne Frank's Suspension for Two (2) Calendar Days with a loss of Two Days of Seniority and 24 Hours of Pay, effective 06/01/2023 for violation of Opelousas Fire Department Policy VI-D.1.A, Failure to Report to Duty by 7:00 a.m. at Assigned Fire Station (Second Violation in one Calendar Year).
32. Approve Police Officer Recruit Sarah Winbush's change of status to Probational Police Officer, effective 04/20/2023.
33. Approve the Police Chief's Recommendation of Hire for Kendall Griffin as a Police Officer Recruit, effective 05/10/2023.
34. Approve the Police Chief's Recommendation of Hire for Alexis Hammond as a Provisional Police Communications Officer, effective 05/14/2023.
35. Approve the Police Chief's Recommendation of Hire for Anissa Yates as a Probational Police Communications Officer, effective 05/20/2023.
36. Approve the Police Chief's Recommendation of Hire for Dawn Daigle as a Provisional Police Communications Officer, effective 06/01/2023.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- No Items Submitted.

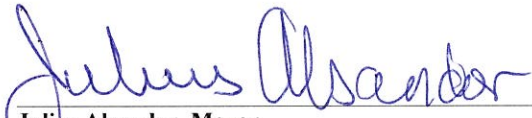
ADJOURNMENT

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; Via Facsimile at (337) 948-2593; or Via E-mail at landerson@cityofopelousas.com

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