**Minutes – June 5, 2018**

**Council Meeting**

**City of Patterson, Louisiana**

**The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Patterson, Louisiana was held on Tuesday, June 5, 2018. The meeting was held at 1314 Main Street in the Council meeting room at 6:30 PM.**

**Mayor Rodney Grogan presided over the meeting.**

**6:30 PM PUBLIC HEARING – A public hearing was held to discuss an ordinance levying a General Alimony Tax of 8.20 Mills for the year 2018, the Public Improvement Bond for Waterworks Issues Tax of 14.00 Mills for the year 2018, and the 2018 – 2019 Operating and Capital Outlay Budget.**

**There was no public comment. Councilmember Mendoza made a motion to close the public hearing, seconded by Councilmember Darnell. The council unanimously agreed. Councilmember Russo was absent.**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**Mayor Grogan called the Council Meeting to order.**

**Pastor Mark Gowan led the Invocation.**

**The Pledge of Allegiance was said in unison by all.**

**Angela Shilling-Boyles, City Clerk, called roll. Councilmembers Darnell, Mendoza, Rentrop and Turner were present. Councilmember Russo was absent.**

**Also present was Police Chief Janis Merritt and Clay Breaud with Providence Engineering.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Rentrop and seconded by Councilmember Darnell to dispense with the reading and approve the May 1, 2018 Minutes. The Council unanimously agreed.** **Councilmember Russo was absent.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Turner and seconded by Councilmember Rentrop to accept the submission of the financial statement. The Council unanimously agreed. Councilmember Russo was absent.**

**There was no public comment concerning items on the agenda.**

**Stephen Jones and Lenora Jones with Boost Mobile and Nochillfitness asked Mayor and Council for a Permit to hold a night bike ride Saturday, April 16th. Councilmember Mendoza made a motion to issue a permit for night bike ride, with the understanding to get with Chief Merritt to work on a route, seconded by Councilmember Darnell. The Council unanimously agreed.**

**Mayor and Council received reports from the departments.**

**Chief Merritt stated they are having a problem with car thefts, etc. Chief Merritt said to lock cars and homes and notify the police department of suspicious activity.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Mendoza and seconded by Councilmember Rentrop to adopt an Ordinance levying a General Alimony Tax of 8.20 Mills for the 2018 Tax year. A roll call vote was held.**

**Councilmembers Darnell, Mendoza, Rentrop and Turner voted yea. Councilmember Russo was absent.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Mendoza and seconded by Councilmember Darnell to adopt an Ordinance to levy 14.00 Mills for Public Improvement Bond Issues for Waterworks for the 2018 Tax Year. A roll call vote was held. Councilmembers Darnell, Mendoza, Rentrop and Turner voted yea. Councilmember Russo was absent.**

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**City Accountant, Reginald Weary presented the 2018-2019 Operating and Capital Outlay Budget. Motion was made by Councilmember Rentrop and seconded by Councilmember Darnell to adopt the 2018 - 2019 Operating and Capital Outlay Budget. A roll call vote was held. Councilmembers Darnell, Mendoza, Rentrop and Turner voted yea. Councilmember Russo was absent.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Mendoza and seconded by Councilmember Rentrop to introduce an Ordinance to enter into a Lease Agreement with St. Mary Parish Government for the Jessie B. Hayes Memorial Boat Landing.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Rentrop and seconded by Councilmember Mendoza to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the St. Mary Parish Government, where the City is granted the use and occupancy, including allowing the City to grant use and occupancy to the Council on Aging at 203 Park Street.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Darnell and seconded by Councilmember Turner to appoint the Daily Review as the Official Journal. A roll call vote was held. Councilmembers Darnell, Mendoza, Rentrop and Turner voted yea. Councilmember Russo was absent.**

**Mayor Grogan explained the “Knock, Knock Disaster Preparedness Campaign” the City is implementing. We will be updating phone numbers, identifying persons with physical or mental disabilities. We are trying to identify those who need help in case of a disaster.**

**Mayor Grogan discussed the need for an ordinance to slow down traffic on streets with high water. Council agreed, and an introduction will be placed on the agenda for the July Council Meeting.**

**Councilmember Mendoza made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Rentrop to adopt a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to properly dispose of moveable and immovable items that were declared refuse and are no longer needed for public purposes by the City of Patterson and in the best interest of the City to dispose of. A roll call vote was held. Councilmembers Darnell, Mendoza, Rentrop and Turner voted yea. Councilmember Russo was absent.**

**Councilmember Mendoza made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Rentrop to adopt a Resolution**

**authorizing the Mayor to sell movable and immovable item that are no longer needed for public purposes by the City of Patterson and it would be in the best interest of the City to sell these items. A roll call vote was held. Councilmembers Darnell, Mendoza, Rentrop and Turner voted yea. Councilmember Russo was absent.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Mendoza and seconded by Councilmember Rentrop to introduce an Ordinance to increase the salary of elected Chief of Police from 38,400.00 to $60,000.00.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Rentrop and seconded by Councilmember Turner to adopt a Resolution approving a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the St Mary Parish to accept a grant of bond proceeds for road improvements within the City of Patterson. The Council unanimously agreed. Councilman Russo was absent.**

**Mayor Grogan made announcements. David Naquin with Homeland Security will be at the Senior Citizen Center, June 27th at 10 AM.**

**The City will host the LMA District J meeting on June 6th at the Patterson Civic Center at 6 PM.**

**The Rededication of Cherry Street Park will be Saturday, June 30th from 11:00 AM to 7 PM.**

**Clay Breaud with Providence Engineering gave an engineering report.**

**There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council, Councilmember Mendoza made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Rentrop. The Council unanimously agreed.**

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**Angela Shilling-Boyles, City Clerk Rodney A. Grogan, Mayor**