**Minutes –February 5, 2019**

**Council Meeting**

**City of Patterson, Louisiana**

**The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Patterson, Louisiana was held on Tuesday, February 5, 2019. 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**

**REGULAR MEETING**

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

**Rev. Brunner led the invocation.**

**Councilmember Darnell led the Pledge of Allegiance.**

**Mayor Grogan asked for a moment of silence for Kemper Williams, Christian LaVerne, and Minister Edward Robinson.**

**Angela Shilling-Boyles called roll. Councilmembers Condolle, Darnell, Rentrop, Russo and Turner were all present.**

**Also present was City Attorney, Russel Cremaldi, and Clay Breaud with Providence Engineering.**

**Police Chief, Garrett Grogan, was absent.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Russo and seconded by Councilmember Turner to dispense with the reading and approve the January 8, 2019 Minutes. The Council unanimously agreed.**

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

**Tim Aucoin, resident of Hurst Street, questioned the reasoning for a one-way on Burney Lane.**

**Howard Castay with KBZE presented Patterson Community Center with a check for $1000.00. They were the SLOW JAMS contest winner out of 177 participants. The commercial that Mayor Grogan participated in won.**

**There were no reports from the Departments**

**Mayor Grogan explained to Mr. Aucoin that the street is very narrow for a 2-way street. Mr. Aucoin explained to the Mayor and Council that all the citizens on Burney Lane are courteous to one another. There was a lengthy discussion on Burney Lane becoming a one way. The Mayor and Council agreed to leave Burney Lane as is until they hear from the Citizens of that street or something needs to be addressed.**

**Mayor Grogan acknowledged the presence of Parish Councilmember Paul Naquin. Parish Councilmember Paul Naquin congratulated the Mayor and Council on the election and thanked the Mayor and Council for all they do.**

**Human Resource Director, Holden Murray, explained the Handbook changes. Councilmember Rentrop** **made a motion to approve the changes to the Personnel Handbook, seconded by Councilmember Condolle. A roll call vote was held. Councilmembers Condolle, Darnell, Rentrop, Russo and Turner voted yea.**

**Mayor Grogan asked to table the discussion on light duty in the police department until next month, because Chief Garrett Grogan wanted to be present for this discussion.**

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**There was a lengthy discussion on proposing an Amendment to the City Charter to provide that the Chief of Police shall appoint, suspend and remove City Employees working within the Police Department without the consent of the Mayor and City Council, unless it exceeds the allotted budget.**

**There was no decision made. Mayor asked Mayor Pro temp Travis Darnell and Councilmember Joe Russo to get with the City attorney to research Charter Change.**

**Mayor Grogan recommended reappointing Shawn Marshall to the Planning and Zoning Commission.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Rentrop to accept Mayor Grogan’s recommendation and reappoint Shawn Marshall to the Planning and Zoning Commission, seconded by Councilmember Darnell. A roll call vote was held. Councilmembers Condolle, Darnell, Rentrop, Russo and Turner voted yea.**

**Mayor Grogan recommended reappointing Cornelius Stewart, Jr. to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion was made by Councilmember Darnell to accept Mayor Grogan’s recommendation and reappoint Cornelius Stewart, Jr. to the Planning and Zoning Commission, seconded by Councilmember Russo. A roll call vote was held. Councilmembers Condolle, Darnell, Rentrop, Russo and Turner voted yea.**

**Mayor Grogan recommended reappointing Paula Dewey to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion was made by Councilmember Rentrop to accept Mayor Grogan’s recommendation and reappoint Paula Dewey to the Planning and Zoning Commission, seconded by Councilmember Turner. A roll call vote was held. Councilmembers Condolle, Darnell, Rentrop, Russo and Turner voted yea.**

**Mayor Grogan stated that there are two seats available for the Planning and Zoning Commission.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Rentrop and seconded by Councilmember Darnell to allow Mayor Grogan, with Russel Cremaldi’s approval, to sign the Access Agreement for filming the Travel Channel series in Patterson. The Council unanimously agreed.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Russo and seconded by Councilmember Rentrop to adopt a resolution declaring moveable items that are no longer needed for public purposes by the City of Patterson as surplus, and it would be in the best interest of the City to sell the items. A roll call vote was held. Councilmembers Condolle, Darnell, Rentrop, Russo and Turner voted yea.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Condolle and Seconded by Councilmember Turner to accept the “Mayor Challenge Across the Boot- Own Your Own Health” by the City of Ville Platte. The challenge is to promote health in Louisiana through informed food choices and an active lifestyle. Mayor Grogan appointed Councilmember Darnell and Human Resource Director, Holden Murray to be the driving force of the Challenge.**

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

**There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council, Councilmember Russo made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Rentrop. A roll call vote was held. Councilmembers Condolle, Darnell, Rentrop, Russo and Turner voted yea.**

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