**Minutes – May 7, 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, May 7, 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**

**Councilmember Darnell made a motion to stop receiving bids, seconded by Councilmember Russo. The Council unanimously agreed.**

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

**Pastor Gonzales of Berwick United Pentecostal Church led the invocation.**

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

**Mayor Grogan asked for a moment of silence for Warren Span who worked many years with the Patterson Housing Authority.**

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

**Also present was City Attorney, Russel Cremaldi; Police Chief, Garrett Grogan; 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 April 2, 2019 Minutes. The Council unanimously agreed.**

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

**Mayor Grogan asked to amend the agenda to include a Lease with Community Action and with Council on Aging.**

**Councilmember Rentrop made a motion to amend the agenda and add a lease agreement with Community Action to lease a portion of the Old Junior High School Building. Councilmember Russo seconded the motion. A roll call vote was held. Councilmembers Condolle, Darnell, Rentrop, Russo and Turner voted yea.**

**Councilmember Russo made a motion to amend the agenda to include an agreement with the Council on Aging to lease the Old Patterson City Hall on Park Street. A roll call vote was held. Councilmembers Condolle, Darnell, Rentrop, Russo and Turner voted yea.**

**The was no public comment on the amended items.**

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

**The Community Center Advisory Board addressed the Mayor and Council. They had questions and concerns about the Community Center. They are interested in having the building (old Patterson Jr. High School) ready for the summer program which starts June 10, 2019. Mayor Grogan assured the Advisory Board that action had already been taken for the building and hopes that it will be ready for this year’s summer program.**

**Geralyn Breaux with the St. Mary Parish Council on Aging invited the Mayor and Council to the Sr. Olympics, May 29th from 8:30 – 1:00 at the Bayou Vista Community Center. Patterson, Franklin, and Morgan City Health Cares, and Maison Jardin are participating.**

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**Mayor and Council received reports from department heads.**

**Mayor Grogan announced the Summer Recreation program is June 10th through July 19th.**

**Mayor Grogan commended Chief Grogan on the department’s numbers this month.**

**Mayor thanked the Felterman Foundation, Ray Pellerin with Tour de Teche, Terry Space, and the Police Department for making the Sprint Race a success.**

**Mayor Grogan thanked Councilmember Condolle and Councilmember Turner for a great job for the National Day of Prayer.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Rentrop and seconded by Councilmember Darnell to introduce an Ordinance to authorize the sale of immovable property, 583 square feet for $1,311.75, to the Boy Scouts Troop 41.**

**No bids were received on surplus property.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Russo to introduce an Ordinance to levy a rate of 8.20 mills for General Alimony Tax for the 2019 tax year**. **Councilmember Turner seconded the motion.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Russo to Introduce an Ordinance to levy a rate of 13.40 mills for Public Improvement Bond Issues for Waterworks for the 2019 Tax Year. Councilmember Darnell seconded the motion.**

**City Accountant, Reginald Weary, introduced the 2019-2020 Operating and Capital Outlay Budget. Mayor Grogan recommended Council have a budget workshop.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Rentrop and seconded by Councilmember Condolle to adopt a Resolution providing for the acceptance of work performed by Huey Stockstill in accordance with the Certificate of Substantial Completion for 2018 Asphaltic Concrete Street Improvements. The Council unanimously agreed.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Rentrop and seconded by Councilmember Darnell to adopt a Resolution authorizing Mayor Grogan to execute a Maintenance Agreement with the State of Louisiana, Department of Transportation and Development relative to Mowing and Litter pickup for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020. The Council unanimously agreed.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Darnell and seconded by Councilmember Condolle to adopt a Proclamation for Older Americans Month. The Council unanimously agreed.**

**Councilmember Russo discussed the drainage south of the rail. Mayor Grogan stressed that citizens need to clean their ditches and pick up trash around their homes. The City is doing everything they can do make sure the rainwater flows. Mayor Grogan also stated that if your property is lower than the street it could be a problem at times.**

**Councilmember Russo addressed Mayor Grogan and Council about the heavy traffic on Wise Street by the lumberyard and the CPA office. Councilmember Russo stated that the new “J” turns could have caused the traffic. Councilmember Russo asked if a stop sign could be put at that location to help with the traffic. Chief Garrett Grogan said he did not think a stop sign would help at this location. Chief said maybe a sign that states loading/unloading would help.**

**A Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Community Action to occupy the old Patterson Junior High was discussed. The proposed lease stated a 50-year Lease. Russel Cremaldi, City Attorney, and Mayor Grogan agreed that 50 years was too long. Mr. Cremaldi will prepare a proper endeavor agreement for the next council meeting.**

**A Cooperative Endeavor Agreement for the Council on Aging to occupy the old City Hall was discussed. Mr. Cremaldi stated that like Community Action, the City would need a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement that he will prepare for the next Council meeting.**

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

**There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council, Councilmember Turner made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Darnell. 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**