**Minutes – March 2, 2021**

**Council Meeting**

**City of Patterson, Louisiana**

**The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Patterson, Louisiana was held on Tuesday, March 2, 2021. The meeting was held at 1314 Main Street in the Council meeting room at 6:00PM.**

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

**Due to COVID-19, there was a 25% capacity, social distancing and a mask had to be worn.**

**6:00PM**

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

**Pastor Bobby Powell led the invocation.**

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

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

**Also present was Police Chief Garrett Grogan; City Attorney Russel Cremaldi, and City Engineer Melanie Caillouet.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Turner and seconded by Councilmember Condolle to dispense with the reading and approve the February 2, 2021 Minutes. Councilmembers Condolle, Darnell, Rentrop, and Turner voted yea. Councilmember Russo was absent.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Darnell and seconded by Councilmember Rentrop to accept the submission of the financial statement. Councilmembers Condolle, Darnell, Rentrop, and Turner voted yea. Councilmember Russo was absent.**

**Councilmember Condolle made a motion to amend the** **agenda to include a Resolution awarding the construction contract for the FY 2020 LCDBG street improvements, seconded by Councilmember Rentrop. A roll call vote was held. Councilmembers Condolle, Darnell, Rentrop, and Turner voted yea. Councilmember Russo was absent.**

**There was no public comment.**

**Carrie Kunschner spoke to Mayor and Council in what she believes is a breakdown of communication between other agencies and the Patterson Police Department. Mayor asked City Attorney, Russel Cremaldi to write a letter to the District Attorney’s office.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Condolle and seconded by Councilmember Turner to introduce an Ordinance adding and enacting Cemeteries to the Code of Ordinances: and to establish Patterson Municipal Cemetery, providing for the reservation of rights, records and reports, maintenance and perpetual care funds, transfer of lots, and monuments, markings, and plantings in general.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Darnell and seconded by Councilmember Rentrop to introduce an Ordinance prepared by** **City Attorney, Russel Cremaldi deleting Section 3.104 of “Appendix B. Subdivisions, Article III. Standards of Design”; and enacting Sections 3.1041 and 3.1042 of “Appendix B. Subdivisions, Article III. Standards of Design”; to allow for Flag Lots. Flag lots are already allowed in the City. This will change the pole portion from 50 feet to 20 feet wide. All other requirements for flag lots must be met.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Turner and seconded by Councilmember Condolle to introduce an Ordinance levying a General Alimony Tax of 8.30 Mills for the tax year 2021.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Darnell and seconded by Councilmember Rentrop to introduce an Ordinance levying 14.00 Mills for Public Improvement Bond Issues for Waterworks for the tax year 2021.**

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**Motion was made by Councilmember Rentrop and seconded by Councilmember Darnell to grant the subdivision of property recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission to front Freeman Street. A roll call vote was held. Councilmembers Condolle, Darnell, Rentrop, and Turner voted yea. Councilmember Russo was absent.**

**William Gil explained the request for a trailer park at 1130 Lia Street.**

**Councilmember Rentrop made a motion to approve the Trailer Park request but failed to get a second motion. Councilmember S. Turner stated she felt this request was premature. The request was tabled.**

**St, Mary Government requested the City table the Resolution for** **St. Mary Hazard Mitigation Plan update 2020 to a later date.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Darnell and seconded by Councilmember Condolle to table the Resolution for the St. Mary Hazard Mitigation Plan update 2020. A roll call vote was held. Councilmembers Condolle, Darnell, Rentrop, and Turner voted yea. Councilmember Russo was absent.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Turner and seconded by Councilmember Darnell to approve a Proclamation for Fair Housing Month. The council unanimously agreed. Councilmember Russo was absent.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Condolle and seconded by Councilmember Turner to approve a Proclamation for the Community Development Week** **April 5 – 9, 2021. The council unanimously agreed. Councilmember Russo was absent.**

**Melanie Caillouet gave the engineering report from Providence Engineering.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Turner and seconded by Councilmember Darnell to approve a**

**Resolution awarding and authorizing the signing of the Construction Contract for the FY 2020 LCDBG Street Improvements. The council unanimously agreed. Councilmember Russo was absent.**

**Mayor Grogan commended the water plant during the freeze for keeping the water levels up.**

**Mayor Grogan commended Allise Jennings Salazar on a great job on the water drive for Texas residents after the winter storm. He thanked all involved.**

**Governor Edwards moved the State of Louisiana into Phase 3 for COVID.**

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

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