**Minutes -February 1, 2022**

**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 1, 2022. The meeting was held at 1314 Main Street in the Council meeting room at 6:00PM.**

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

**6:00PM**

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

**Fr. Bennerfield of St. Joseph Catholic Church led the invocation.**

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

**There was a moment of silence for Mayor Foulcard of Franklin’s mother, Lydia Delasbor Foulcard, and longtime educator, Robert Ayres.**

**Kim Dardeau, City Clerk, called roll****. Councilmembers** **Condolle, Darnell, Johnson, and Rentrop, were present. Councilmember Russo was absent.**

**Also present was Police Chief Garrett Grogan, City Attorney Russel Cremaldi, and Terral Martin from Providence Engineering.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Condolle and seconded by Councilmember Johnson to dispense with the reading and approve the January 4, 2022 Minutes. Councilmembers Condolle, Darnell, Johnson, and Rentrop voted yea. Councilmember Russo was absent.**

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

**There was no public comment.**

**St. Mary Council on Aging Director, Beverly Domengeaux, gave the Council on Aging’s annual report. Ms. Domengeaux congratulated Mayor Grogan for being chosen St. Mary Parish Chamber’s Citizen of the Year. Also, thanked Reginald Weary with 100 Black Man for the great meal served to Seniors Citizens. A standing ovation was given to Ms. Domengeaux for her dedication to the Council on Aging.**

**B.J. Thibodaux with Voodoo Softball asked permission to hold a Can Shake March 5, 2022, from 9 am to 1 pm. The Council unanimously approved. Councilmember Joe Russo was absent.**

**Lenora Jones and Amanda Bernadou with Krewe of Amani asked for a permit for the Mardi Gras parade on Monday February 28, 2022 at 1 pm. The permit was granted. The Council unanimously agreed. Councilmember Joe Russo was absent.**

**Lenora Jones and Amanda Bernadou with Krewe of Amani asked for a permit for the Block party after the parade on Monday February 28, 2022, beginning at 2 pm. Chief Grogan stated that all festivities had to be over, and the streets cleared by 5 pm. Permit for a block party from 2 pm to 5 pm was granted the Council unanimously agreed. Councilmember Joe Russo was absent.**

**Agenda item 9-1 under Unfinished Business stated discussion of water rates. Mayor Grogan stated adopting an ordinance was not necessary because in July 2020 we adopted Ordinance 2020-06A. The Ordinance amended the rates for water service that removed the 2%.**

**Mayor Grogan explained to Council that property owners in the cul-de-sac on Shady Grove have encroached on the City’s right of way. Therefore, City Attorney Russel Cremaldi will send certified letters to these property owners mandating them to remove any obstacles on the City’s right of way.**

**Once the obstacles are removed, this allows the City to proceed with paving project.**

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**Motion was made by Councilmember Darnell and seconded by Councilmember Johnson to Introduce an Ordinance levying a General Alimony Tax of 8.30 Mills for the tax year 2022.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Condolle and seconded by Councilmember Rentrop to Introduce an Ordinance providing for the tax of 12.10 Mills for the tax year 2022 of all property situated in the City of Patterson subject to taxation to pay for Public Improvement Bond for Waterworks Issues.**

**The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended a request to subdivide property located at 1400 Main St. into tracts ABCDEFGHIJKLA and CMNOPQRSTUVNGFEDC (parcels 2894361001.00 and 2894361002.00). Motion was made by Councilmember Condolle and seconded by Councilmember Rentrop to grant the request to subdivide the property located at 1400 Main Street, as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission.** **A roll call vote was held. Councilmember Condolle, Darnell, Johnson and Rentrop voted yea. Councilmember Russo was absent.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Darnell and seconded Councilmember Johnson to adopt the current state of Patterson into a Digitalized Zoning Map. A roll call vote was held. Councilmember Condolle, Darnell, Johnson and Rentrop voted yea. Councilmember Russo was absent.**

**There was discussion on purchasing parcels of land owned by Egle-Brown Properties, LLC 2894401002.00 & 2894401003.00 located at 2116 Hwy 182/Main St. Motion was made by Councilmember Rentrop and seconded by Councilmember Condolle to take the first step, and get the land appraised. A roll call vote was held. Councilmember Condolle, Darnell, Johnson and Rentrop voted yea. Councilmember Russo was absent.**

**Mayor Grogan said we will amend the 2021-2022 Budget in March 2022.**

**Mayor Grogan will discuss a Resolution to award the Contract for the Water Meter Project South of the Rail next month.**

**Holden Murray, with the City’s Economic and Community Development Department, made announcements.**

**Tutoring has resumed at the Community Center on Monday and Wednesday.**

**Leisure Basketball Tuesday and Thursday from 3 to 5 pm for ages 10 to 13 and 5:30 to7:30 pm for ages 14 to 17 at the Community Center.**

**COVID Vaccine Clinic on February 5, 2022 10 am.**

**Louisiana Work Solutions will hold a Job Fair at the Community Center on March 16, 2022.**

**St. Mary NAACP is having a Pop-up shop at the Community Center from** **noon to 5 pm on** **February 12, 2022.**

**Mr. Murray will be conducting podcast interviews with two businesses in Patterson every month.**

**Terral Martin with Providence Engineering gave the engineering report.**

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

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**Kim Dardeau, City Clerk Rodney A. Grogan, Mayor**