

**Minutes – July 6, 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, July 6, 2021. 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

PUBLIC HEARING – A discussion was held on an Ordinance of the Mayor and City Council amending Section 4.104B - BUSINESS OF APPENDIX A ZONING OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES to allow Wholesale Businesses, Warehouses, and Warehouse Services, and Lumber Yards, but on Parcels of land fronting U.S. Highway 90; any retail or wholesale business or Service business not specially restricted or prohibited. There was no public comment.

A discussion was held on the Ordinance of the Mayor and City Council amending Section 4.105C - COMMERCIAL OF APPENDIX A ZONING OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES to remove from uses prohibited thereunder any activities not specifically provided herein. There was no public comment.

Motion was made by Councilmember Russo and seconded by Councilmember Condolle to close the public hearing. The Council unanimously agreed.

Mayor Grogan called the Council Meeting to order.

Councilmember Condolle led the invocation.

Councilmember Turner led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Kim Dardeau, City Clerk, called roll. Councilmembers Condolle, Darnell, Rentrop, Russo and Turner were present.

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

Motion was made by Councilmember Condolle and seconded by Councilmember Russo to dispense with the reading and approve the June 1, 2021, Minutes. Councilmembers Condolle, Darnell, Rentrop, Russo and Turner voted yea.

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

There was no public comment.

Carlton Butler was a guest. He discussed the wording on utility bills.

Motion was made by Councilmember Rentrop and seconded by Councilmember Darnell to adopt an Ordinance of the Mayor and City Council amending Section 4.104B - BUSINESS OF APPENDIX A ZONING OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES to allow Wholesale Businesses, Warehouses, and Warehouse Services, and Lumber Yards, but on Parcels of land fronting U.S. Highway 90; any retail or wholesale business or Service business not specially restricted or prohibited. A roll call vote was held. Councilmembers Condolle, Darnell, Rentrop, Russo and Turner vote yea.

Motion was made by Councilmember Russo and seconded by Councilmember Condolle to adopt an Ordinance of the Mayor and City Council amending Section 4.105C - COMMERCIAL OF APPENDIX A ZONING OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES to remove from uses prohibited thereunder any activities not specifically provided herein. A roll call vote was held. Councilmembers Condolle, Darnell, Rentrop, Russo and Turner vote yea.

Tim Bourcier with South Central Planning & Development Commission discussed his proposal on a Land Use Study and Zoning Code Review. The Council was all in agreement. Mr. Bourcier will prepare a Contract for the August 3, 2021 Council Meeting for the Council to approve.

Mayor Grogan read Councilmember Sandra Turner's letter of resignation and presented her with a plaque. Mayor Grogan and Council thanked Councilmember Turner for her 11 ½ years of dedication to the City of Patterson. Councilmember Turner received a round of applause.

The Council will have to appoint an interim councilmember at the August meeting.

Councilmember Darnell made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Russo to adopt a Proclamation calling for a Special Election to fill the vacancy of Councilmember Turner's seat. A roll call vote was held. Councilmembers Condolle, Darnell, Rentrop, Russo and Turner vote yea.

City Accountant Reginald Weary explained why the Budget needed to be amended. The City anticipated funds from the American Rescue Plan that were not received prior to the end of the fiscal year. Additionally, a bond was issued prior to the end of the fiscal year in the amount of \$570,000. The two issues resulted in requiring the budget to be amended. The City went from a projected surplus of \$162,488 on the 2020-2021 fiscal year end budget, that was approved June 2, 2021, to a deficit of \$327,544. Councilmember Russo made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Darnell to amend the 2021-2022 budget. A roll call vote was held. Councilmembers Condolle, Darnell, Rentrop, Russo and Turner vote yea.

The Announcements included the following:

1. July 14th and 28th Senior Luncheons
2. July 24th Summer Block Party
3. July 31st School Uniform give away.

Chief Grogan thanked Councilmember Turner for years of dedication to the City of Patterson.

Melanie Caillouet with Providence Engineering gave the engineering report.

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

Kim Dardeau, City Clerk

Rodney A. Grogan, Mayor