LIVONIA TOWN COUNCIL BUDGET HEARING - December 11, 2017 - 6:15 p.m.

The Livonia Town Council met at 6:15 p.m. on December 11, 2017, in the Livonia Town Council Chambers, 3111 LA Hwy. 78, Livonia, Louisiana, for the budget hearing with Mayor Rhett Pourciau presiding.

PRESENT: Council Members James Bergeron, Greg Jarreau, Terry Jarreau, Ron LeBlanc, and

Warren Pourciau

ABSENT: None

The Budget Hearing for the 2017 Amended Budget and 2018 Budget of Anticipated Revenues and Expenditures was opened by Mayor Pourciau.

There were no remarks on the budgets therefore Mayor Pourciau closed the Budget Hearing at 6:18 p.m.

LIVONIA TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

December 11, 2017 6:30 p.m.

The Livonia Town Council met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. on December 11, 2017, in the Livonia Council Chambers, 3111 LA Hwy. 78, Livonia, Louisiana. Mayor Rhett Pourciau called the meeting to order and directed Town Clerk Donna Bergeron to call the roll. Roll call taken resulted as follows:

PRESENT: Council Members James Bergeron, Greg Jarreau, Terry Jarreau, Ron LeBlanc,

and Warren Pourciau

ABSENT: None

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Bergeron, seconded by Mr. LeBlanc, and carried to approve the minutes as written from the regular meeting on November 13, 2017.

APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by Mr. Bergeron, seconded by Mr. T. Jarreau, and carried, to approve the treasurer's report.

APPROVAL OF INVOICES

A motion was made by Mr. G. Jarreau, seconded by Mr. T. Jarreau, and carried, to approve the invoices for payment.

PARADE PERMIT REQUEST - Livonia Carnival Association

On behalf of the Livonia Carnival Association, Mr. Steve Morgan requested a parade permit for the annual Livonia Mardi Gras Parade to be held on February 11, 2018, at 1:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Mr. G. Jarreau, seconded by Mr. Pourciau, and unanimously approved to grant the permit.

RESOLUTION

A resolution was offered by Mr. Pourciau to co-sponsor the 2018 Livonia Mardi Gras Parade and to contribute \$1,800 towards its expenses. Motion was seconded by Mr. G. Jarreau and Resolved.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

- 1. A motion was made by Mr. LeBlanc to introduce an ordinance amending Section 14.107 of the Code relative to Vagrancy. Motion was seconded by Mr. T. Jarreau and carried. Public hearing will be held at the next regular meeting prior to consideration for adoption.
- 2. A motion was made by Mr. Bergeron to introduce an ordinance amending the Code to access a collection fee on debts referred to a collection agency. Motion was seconded by Mr. G. Jarreau and carried. Public hearing will be held at the next regular meeting prior to consideration for adoption.

BUDGETS ADOPTED

A motion was made by Mr. G. Jarreau to adopt the 2017 Amended Budget and the 2018 Budget of Anticipated Revenues and Expenditures as amended. Motion was seconded by Mr. T. Jarreau and a roll call resulted in the following:

YEAS: Bergeron, G. Jarreau, T. Jarreau, LeBlanc, Pourciau

NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Pourciau opened the public hearing on the proposed ordinance amending Section 2.12C of the Code increasing the salary of the Chief of Police.

There were no comments from the public therefore the public hearing was closed.

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE

A motion was made by Mr. Bergeron to adopt the above stated ordinance. Motion was seconded by Mr. Pourciau and a roll call vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Bergeron, G. Jarreau, T. Jarreau, LeBlanc, Pourciau

NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Pourciau opened the public hearing on the proposed ordinance amending Section 2.12D of the Code increasing the salary of the Municipal Clerk.

There were no comments from the public therefore the public hearing was closed.

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE

A motion was made by Mr. Pourciau to adopt the above stated ordinance. Motion was seconded by Mr. T. Jarreau and a roll call vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Bergeron, G. Jarreau, T. Jarreau, LeBlanc, Pourciau

NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Greg Gautreaux of Professional Engineering Consultants Corporation reported that the video of Newfield Drive has been completed as requested for the Road Repair Agreement with Cypress Operating and turned over to clerk's office.

Mr. Gautreaux also stated that the drawings and specifications for the water line improvement project on LA HWY 78 are being drafted and should be ready next month.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Police Report - Police Chief Brad Joffrion

During the month of November, 329 citations were issued with 4 warnings. Thirteen arrests were made, 3 traffic accident/incidents were worked, and 108 complaints were answered. Fines collected for the month were \$30,412.

Amend Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. LeBlanc to amend the agenda to add the hiring of a parttime police officer. Motion was seconded by Mr. Bergeron and carried.

Police Report Continued

- The department is sponsoring Toys for the Needy again this year. Food baskets will also be distributed from the Food Bank.
- Sergeant John Thibodeaux has successfully passed the qualifications required by POST before his deadline and is back on duty.
- Chief Joffrion recommended hiring Mr. Coby Landry as a part-time police officer to replace Officer Ned Tolliver who recently resigned. Motion was made by Mr. Jarreau to hire Mr. Landry as recommended. Motion was seconded by Mr. G. Jarreau and carried.

Council Member James Bergeron – Drainage and Abandoned Vehicles

There are problems with the catch basins washing out on LA 78 near Mr. Butch Jones' residence and on Perkins Street near Mr. Steve Pickett's residence.

The canals in Richfield Subdivision need cleaning out again. There are shopping carts and other various items that have been thrown in them.

Council Member Greg Jarreau - Water/Gas and Dangerous Structures

Currently collecting information on abandoned buildings and other compliance issues around town.

Mayor's Report

Mayor urged Council to support efforts to clean-up town.

Breakfast with Santa is scheduled for December 16th at 8:30 a.m. at the Community Center.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Motion was made by Mr. Pourciau to adjourn meeting at 7:32 p.m. Motion was seconded by Mr. Bergeron and carried.

DONNA BERGERON, MMC

ATTEST:

RHETT POURCIAU, MAYOR