LIVONIA TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

November 14, 2016 6:37 p.m.

The Livonia Town Council met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. on November 14, 2016, in the Livonia Council Chambers, 3111 LA Hwy. 78, Livonia, Louisiana. Mayor Troy Chustz called the meeting to order and directed Town Clerk Donna Bergeron to call the roll. Roll call taken resulted as follows:

PRESENT: Council Members Keith Davidson, Terry Jarreau, Barbara LeJeune, Glenn

Meche, and Warren Pourciau

ABSENT: None

SERVICE AWARDS

Mayor Chustz presented 15 year service awards to Police Chief Secretary Shelly Bergeron and to Sergeant Aaron Biddy. Both were commended by the Mayor and Chief Joffrion for the outstanding service they give to the town.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Meche, seconded by Mr. Pourciau, and carried, to approve and publish the minutes as written from the regular meeting on October 10, 2016.

APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by Mr. Davidson, seconded by Mr. Jarreau, and carried, to approve the treasurer's report.

APPROVAL OF INVOICES

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

ENFORCEMENT OF ONE-WAY ON WESTFIELD DRIVE

Mayor Chustz explained that earlier in the year complaints were made about student drivers speeding on Westfield Drive going to and from school. After studying the issue a decision was made by the Council to change Westfield Drive to a one-way street during school hours which should curtail the problem.

There were complaints recently of the one-way not being obeyed. Mayor Chustz asked Livonia High School Principal Stacy Gueho to attend the council meeting to discuss enforcement of this issue.

Mayor Chustz stated that he felt Livonia High School should enforce the one-way street for safety reasons. Ms. Gueho stated that after her recent conversation with Mayor Chustz she has been monitoring the street and makes daily announcements to the students of the one-way which seems to be working.

2016 FINANCIAL AUDIT ENGAGEMENT PROPOSAL

Auditor Jacob Waguespack presented the Mayor and Council with a proposal to perform the audit of the Town of Livonia financial statements for 2016, of which was accepted upon motion by Mr. Pourciau, seconded by Mr. Davidson, and unanimously approved.

2016 AMENDED BUDGET AND 2017 BUDGET OF ANTICIAPATED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

Mayor Chustz presented to the Council the amended budget for 2016 and the 2017 budget of anticipated revenues and expenditures.

RESOLUTIONS

A resolution was offered by Ms. LeJeune to accept the 2016 amended budget as presented. Motion was seconded by Mr. Davidson and approved.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

Mr. Meche introduced an ordinance for the adoption of the 2017 Budget of anticipated revenues and expenditures as presented. Motion was seconded by Ms. LeJeune and carried. Budget hearing will be held at 6:15 p.m. on December 12, 2016.

Ms. LeJeune introduced an ordinance to amend Section 2:12C of the Code relative to increasing the salary of the Police Chief. Motion was seconded by Mr. Meche and carried.

Ms. LeJeune introduced an ordinance to amend Section 2:12D of the Code relative to increasing the salary of the Municipal Clerk. Motion was seconded by Mr. Davidson and carried.

ENGINEER'S REPORT - Mr. Greg Gautreaux

The following documents were presented for approval:

- (1) Atlas Associates, Inc. Steven Lane Sewer Improvements Substantial Completion Motion was made by Mr. Davidson and seconded by Ms. LeJeune to approve substantial completion. Motion carried.
- (2) Atlas Associates, Inc. Steven Lane Sewer Improvements Change Order and Invoice for \$1,575.77. Motion was made by Mr. Davidson and seconded by Mr. Jarreau to approve the change order and the invoice for payment. Motion carried.
- (3) H&H Projects, Inc. LA HWY 78 Water Line Improvements Request for payment \$21,852.90. Motion was made by Mr. Davidson to approve the invoice for payment. Motion was seconded by Mr. Pourciau and carried.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Police Report – Police Chief Brad Joffrion

During the month of October, 337 citations were issued with 46 warnings. Five arrests were made, 11 traffic accidents/incidents were worked with one fatality, and 102 complaints were answered. Fines collected for the month were \$52,592.

- The department is short two full-time officers. Trying to recruit officers for open positions.
- Met with Department of Transportation concerning their plans for US HWY 190 safety issues in Livonia due to the lack of turn lanes. Was informed about their proposal to add two turnabout lanes on the east end of US HWY 190 in Livonia. The continuation of the divided highway from Wye Road west is a proposal DOT has to begin within eight to ten years.
- Due to the issue with dogs running at large and the lack of ability to catch them, a
 motion was made by Ms. LeJeune to request assistance from the Pointe Coupee Parish
 Policy Jury to allow their animal control officer to assist with catching them. Motion was
 seconded by Mr. Pourciau and carried.
- The Food Bank on the south end of the parish is fully stocked and open.

Public Works Report - Ricky David

Three road bores are needed to extend the sewer lines across streets. The lowest bid of \$2,300 each was submitted by H&H Projects. Motion was made by Mr. Davidson and seconded by Mr. Meche to award the contract to H&H Projects. Motion carried.

Gas/Beautification Report - Council Member Barbara LeJeune

Spoke with the owner of the residence of 8813 Airline Highway in reference to the renovations of his home. He asked for more time to get the place cleaned up. Council agreed to allow an additional 30 days.

Council agreed to give Ms. Julia Chisolm until December 31, 2016, to remove the mobile home parked at 8486 Berthier Street due to the violation of the code.

Street Report - Council Member Warren Pourciau

Council agreed to add more street lights along Lions Club Drive.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Motion was made by Mr. Pourciau to adjourn meeting at 8:10 p.m. Motion was seconded by Mr. Meche and carried.

ATTEST: **DONNA BERGERON, MMC**

TROY CHUSTZ, MAYOR