

**LIVONIA TOWN COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING – 2020 MILLAGE RATE INCREASE
October 19, 2020 - 6:30 p.m.**

Mayor Rhett Pourciau opened the public hearing regarding the proposal to increase the millage rate to 4.83, which is not in excess of the prior year's maximum rate, on taxable property shown on the official assessment roll for the year 2020.

Pointe Coupee Parish Assessor James Laurent was present for the hearing and gave a brief presentation. There were no comments or objections from the public.

Mayor Pourciau closed the public hearing at 6:34 p.m.

**LIVONIA TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
October 19, 2020 - 6:34 p.m.**

The Livonia Town Council's regular scheduled meeting originally set for October 12, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. was rescheduled due to issues from Hurricane Delta. The Town Council met in rescheduled regular session at 6:30 p.m. on October 19, 2020, 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 which resulted as follows:

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

ABSENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Pourciau, seconded by Mr. G. Jarreau, and carried to approve and publish the minutes as written from the regular meeting on September 14, 2020.

APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by Mr. T. Jarreau, seconded by Mr. Bergeron, and carried, to approve the treasurer's reports. Budget-to-actual was included for review and comments.

APPROVAL OF INVOICES

A motion was made by Mr. LeBlanc, seconded by Mr. Pourciau and carried, to approve the invoices for payment.

Resolution No. 1

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town of Livonia of the Parish of Pointe Coupee, Louisiana, in a public meeting held on October 19, 2020, which meeting was conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Law and the additional requirements of Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B), that the following **adjusted** millage rates be and they are hereby levied upon the dollar of the assessed valuation of all property subject to ad valorem taxation within said Parish for the year 2020, for the purpose of raising revenue:

<u>MILLAGE</u>	General Alimony Tax	4.7 mills
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Assessor of the Parish of Pointe Coupee, shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2020 the taxes herein levied, and the tax collector of said Parish shall collect and remit the same to said taxing authority in accordance with law.

The foregoing resolution was read in full, the roll was called on adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes:

YEAS: Bergeron, G. Jarreau, T. Jarreau, LeBlanc, Pourciau
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None

Resolution No. 2

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town of Livonia of the Parish of Pointe Coupee, Louisiana, in a public meeting held on October 19, 2020, which meeting was conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Law and the additional requirements of Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B), that the taxing district voted to increase the millage rate(s), but not in excess of the prior year's maximum rate(s), on all taxable property shown on the official assessment roll for the year 2020, and when collected, the revenues from said taxes shall be used only for the specific purposes for which said taxes have been levied. Said millage rate(s) are:

	<u>ADJUSTED RATE</u>	<u>2020 LEVY</u>
General Alimony Tax	4.7	4.83

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Assessor of the Parish of Pointe Coupee, shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2020 the taxes herein levied, and the tax collector of said Parish shall collect and remit the same to said taxing authority in accordance with law.

The foregoing resolution was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by no less than two-thirds of the total membership of the taxing authority voting in favor as required by Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B). The votes were:

YEAS: Bergeron, G. Jarreau, T. Jarreau, LeBlanc, Pourciau
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None

HOTEL/MOTEL TAX PROPOSAL

Mr. Les Cantrell and Mr. George Miller briefly explained an option the town has to levy a hotel occupancy tax and would be available to assist with the steps if interested.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Police Report –Police Chief Landon Landry

In September, 469 citations were issued with 16 warnings. One traffic accident/incident was worked, two arrests were made, and 48 complaints were answered. Fines collected for the month were \$60,430.

Chief Landry stated that his department and the maintenance department were thoroughly prepared for Hurricane Delta, and the two departments worked very well together getting the roads cleared and everyone safe. He also thanked the Pointe Coupee Sheriff's Office for their availability and assistance.

Mayor and Council Members also thanked Public Works Director Ricky David and Police Chief Landon Landry and their staff for their loyalty and dedication during Hurricane Delta.

Drainage and Abandoned Vehicles – Council Member James Bergeron

Council Member Bergeron made a motion to increase the hourly wage of Mr. Paul Doucet one dollar per hour (\$1.00). Mr. G. Jarreau seconded the motion and was unanimously approved.

Public Works and Utilities – Director Ricky David

Mr. David stated that the grapple, purchased with a portion of the LGAP grant, was a very good investment. It was a huge asset to have during the hurricane.

MAYOR’S REPORT – Mayor Rhett Pourciau

The annual “Party at the Park” will be held at Glaser’s Park on Halloween, October 31st, from 6:00 until 7:30 p.m. Due to COVID-19, there will be no games, face painting, contests, or refreshments. People are asked to hand candy out the back of their vehicles.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Motion was made by Mr. Pourciau to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 p.m. Motion was seconded by Mr. LeBlanc and carried.

ATTEST:

RHETT POURCIAU, MAYOR

DONNA BERGERON, MMC