

**LIVONIA TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
February 8, 2016
6:30 p.m.**

The Livonia Town Council met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. on February 8, 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, Warren Pourciau

ABSENT: Council Member Glenn Meche

AMEND AGENDA

A motion was made by Mr. Davidson to add the hiring of employee to agenda. Motion was seconded by Mr. Jarreau and carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Davidson, seconded by Ms. LeJeune, and carried, to approve and publish the minutes as written from the regular meeting on January 11, 2016.

APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT

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

APPROVAL OF INVOICES

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

AWARD CONTRACTS

(A) Sealed bids were opened on January 29, 2016, for the LCDBG funded **Bergeron Street Sewer Improvements** project. Upon the recommendation by Town Engineer Tony Arikol, a motion was made by Mr. Pourciau to award the contract to the lowest bidder, Mitchell Contracting, Inc., Covington, LA, in the amount of \$255,530.00. Motion was seconded by Mr. Davidson and carried.

(B) Quotes were received on the electrical hook-up and installation of **generators** for 3 sewer lift stations. A motion was made by Mr. Pourciau to award the contract to the lowest bidder, RMA, Blanks, LA, in the amount of \$7,398.50. Motion was seconded by Ms. LeJeune and carried.

(C) Quotes were received for **netting** for the batting cages at Glaser's Park. A motion was made by Mr. Jarreau to award the contract to La. Sport Nets, Lafayette, LA, in the amount of \$11,060.00. Motion was seconded by Mr. Davidson and carried.

RESOLUTION – LA Compliance Questionnaire

A resolution was offered by Mr. Pourciau to adopt the Systems Survey and Compliance Questionnaire as presented, to be presented to Faulk & Winkler, LLC for the 2015 audit. Motion was seconded by Ms. LeJeune and carried.

EMPLOYEE HIRING

Mayor Chustz stated that applications were received through February 5, 2016, for the open positions of Assistant to Public Works Director, and Laborer. The applications will be reviewed and qualified applicants will be interviewed soon.

Former Assistant Public Works Director Ricky David is interested in the upcoming open position as Public Works Director. Mayor Chustz added that with Mr. David's certifications, experience, and qualifications, he would like to hire Mr. David as Public Works Director to begin on February 16, 2016, to begin the transition stage. Mr. Pourciau made a motion to accept Mayor Chustz's recommendation to hire Mr. David. Motion was seconded by Mr. Davidson and carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

MAYOR'S REPORT

The annual Mardi Gras parade went well. Mayor Chustz thanked the Livonia Mardi Gras Committee and Police Chief Brad Joffrion and his department for their part in making it a success.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Police Report – Police Chief Brad Joffrion

During the month of January, 537 citations were issued with 35 warnings. Sixteen arrests were made, 1 DUI arrest, 7 traffic accidents/incidents were worked, and 117 complaints were answered. Fines collected for the month were \$57,629.

- Town surveillance cameras have been installed.
- There were 50 officers from 10 other agencies that assisted with the Mardi Gras parade. Chief Joffrion thanked Public Works Director Charles Bates and Charles Russo for setting up everything in preparation for the parade. He also thanked Chucky LeJeune and Cindy Johnson from Bayou Shack for providing the lunch for the officers again this year.
- Chief Joffrion recommended hiring Mr. Ned Tolliver as a part-time reserve officer to fill the vacant position. A motion was made by Ms. LeJeune and seconded by Mr. Jarreau to accept Chief Joffrion's request to hire Mr. Tolliver. Motion carried.

Fire Department – Council Member Keith Davidson

The department answered 30 calls in January of which most were accidents and medical emergencies.

Public Works Department - Public Works Director Charles Bates

- The drainage project on Sparks Lateral canal is coming along well.
- One air conditioner unit will be replaced at the Livonia Community Center as budgeted.
- There was a large water leak on the water main last week on Newfield Drive.

Gas/Beautification Department – Council Member Barbara LeJeune

- Working with land owner to get property cleaned up at 8361 Newfield Drive.
- Got an estimate to build a pavilion by the Indian Mound on Bayou Road. Mayor and Council suggested to look into other options and get other estimates.

Street Department – Council Member Warren Pourciau

A request was made by a resident for a street light on Bayou Road. After researching the area further it was determined that a street light is needed in that area, therefore a motion was made by Mr. Pourciau to add a street light on Bayou Road. Motion was seconded by Ms. LeJeune and carried.

Grass Department – Council Member Terry Jarreau

Mr. Jarreau thanked the Pointe Coupee Police Jury for assisting the town with cutting the grass in the ditches prior to the Mardi Gras parade since the town's tractor is in the shop.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Motion was made by Mr. Pourciau to adjourn meeting at 7:37 p.m. Motion was seconded by Ms. LeJeune and carried.

ATTEST:

DONNA BERGERON, MMC

TROY CHUSTZ, MAYOR