

**LIVONIA TOWN COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING**

**January 11, 2016  
6:30 p.m.**

The Livonia Town Council met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. on January 11, 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, Warren Pourciau

ABSENT: None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Mr. Meche, seconded by Ms. LeJeune, and carried, to approve and publish the minutes as written from the regular meeting on December 14, 2015.

**APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT**

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

**APPROVAL OF INVOICES**

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

**PARADE PERMIT REQUEST**

Mr. Steve Morgan, on behalf of the Livonia Carnival Association, requested a parade permit for the annual Mardi Gras Parade to be held February 7, 2016, at 1:00 p.m.

A resolution was offered by Mr. Jarreau to grant the parade permit and to co-sponsor the event by contributing \$1,800 towards its expenses. Motion was seconded by Ms. LeJeune and carried.

**2015 AUDIT ENGAGEMENT**

Mr. Pourciau made a motion to accept the 2015 Audit Engagement proposal submitted by Faulk & Winkler. Motion was seconded by Mr. Jarreau and carried.

**RESOLUTION – CYPRESS ENERGY**

BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to a public notice, a regularly scheduled meeting of the Town of Livonia was held on the 11th day of January, 2016, at 6:30 o'clock P.M. at Livonia Town Hall, 3111 LA HWY 78, Livonia, LA, where the following resolution, upon motion duly seconded and passed, was adopted, to-wit:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Livonia has determined that it is the owner of mineral interests in and under immovable property, being 4.534 acres, situated in Section 119 Township 6 South, Range 9 East, described in Exhibit "A", and shown on a plat on Exhibit "B", attached hereto and made a part hereof;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town of Livonia has determined that it desires to take advantage of LSA R.S. 30:152 (A), et seq, to authorize the Louisiana State Mineral and Energy Board to nominate the property, being 4.534 acres, situated in Section 119 Township 6 South, Range 9 East, described in Exhibit "A", and shown on a plat on Exhibit "B", for state agency mineral lease;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by Town of Livonia, in legal session convened, that it does hereby direct and authorize the Louisiana State Mineral and Energy Board and the Office of Mineral Resources to accept nominations, advertise for, accept and award bids, and execute all oil, gas and mineral leases pertaining to the immovable property, being 4.534 acres, situated in Section 119 Township 6 South, Range 9 East, listed on the attached Exhibit "A", and shown on a plat on Exhibit "B".

The above Resolution was offered by Terry Jarreau, seconded by Keith Davidson, and Resolved.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES**

Mayor Chustz opened the public hearing on a proposed ordinance amending Section 2:12 C of the Code increasing the salary of the Chief of Police.

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

A motion was made by Mr. Meche and seconded by Mr. LeJeune to adopt the proposed ordinance increasing the salary of the Chief of Police as presented. Roll call vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Davidson, Jarreau, LeJeune, Meche, Pourciau  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

Mayor Chustz opened the public hearing on a proposed ordinance amending Section 2:12 D of the Code increasing the salary of the Municipal Clerk.

Mayor Chustz recommended amending the proposed ordinance to include thirty-four cents above the original 4% increase that was previously recommended.

Mr. Meche recommended hiring a firm to do a salary survey for all town positions. Mayor Chustz appointed Mr. Davidson and Mr. Jarreau to check into the salary surveys.

Public hearing was closed.

A motion was made by Mr. Meche, seconded by Mr. Pourciau, and carried to amend the proposed ordinance to include an extra thirty-four cents increase as recommended by Mayor Chustz to the salary of the Municipal Clerk.

A motion was made by Mr. Meche and seconded by Mr. Pourciau to adopt the proposed ordinance increasing the salary of the Municipal Clerk as amended. Roll call vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Davidson, Jarreau, LeJeune, Meche, Pourciau  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

## **MAYOR'S REPORT**

- The Bergeron Street sewer project bids will be opened on January 28.
- The 2014-2015 Community Water Enrichment Funding has been approved for the water line upgrades along LA HWY 78 in the amount of \$27,579.
- All documents have been forwarded to Capital Outlay office for approval to move forward with the purchase of generators for the sewer lift stations.
- Public Works Director Charles Bates will be resigning in the near future. He will continue to work part-time until someone is hired and trained to replace him. Council agreed to advertise for applications for an Assistant to Public Works Director and Laborer.

## **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

### ***Police Report –Police Chief Brad Joffrion***

During the month of December, 340 citations were issued with 12 warnings. Six arrests were made, 10 traffic accidents/incidents were worked, and 101 complaints were answered. Fines collected for the month were \$25,522.

The department's "Toys for the Needy" program was able to supply the children of 20 families with Christmas gifts this year.

***Fire Department – Council Member Keith Davidson***

The department answered 34 calls in December with a total of 443 for year 2015.

***Public Works Department - Public Works Director Charles Bates***

The Sparks Lateral drainage project began today, which is funded with a Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury grant.

The Police Jury will assist with repairing the catch basins on the Okelousas drainage project and Elton Street drainage project.

**ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

Motion was made by Mr. Pourciau to adjourn meeting at 7:18 p.m. Motion was seconded by Ms. LeJeune and carried.

ATTEST:

**DONNA BERGERON, MMC**

**TROY CHUSTZ, MAYOR**