

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GONZALES, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN ON JANUARY 26, 2015, 5:30 P.M. AT CITY HALL.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Barney D. Arceneaux
 Councilman Kirk Boudreaux
 Councilwoman Barbara Duhe

Councilman David Guitreau
 Councilman Terance Irvin
 Councilman Kenneth Matassa

MEMBERS ABSENT: NONE

ALSO PRESENT:

Ryland Percy, City Attorney
 Sherman Jackson, Chief of Police

Clay Stafford, City Clerk

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman David Guitreau to approve the Minutes from the City Council Meeting, held on January 12, 2015. UNANIMOUS

Motion by Councilman Terance Irvin, seconded by Councilman Kenneth Matassa, to approve opening eligibility for the Gonzales Dixie Boys 13 and 14 year old baseball league to participants from contiguous parishes around Ascension Parish, with the stipulation that Ascension Parish registrants must have priority. UNANIMOUS

Motion by Councilman Terance Irvin, seconded by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, to approve holding registration for all Gonzales baseball and softball leagues on the first three Saturdays in February each year, beginning in 2015. UNANIMOUS

Motion by Councilman Kenneth Matassa, seconded by Councilman Terance Irvin to approve limiting the number of regular season games played in the city's baseball and softball leagues to no more than sixteen (16). UNANIMOUS

Motion by Councilman Terance Irvin, seconded by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux to authorize the Gonzales Lassie League to host a slow-pitch Pony tournament for all age groups at Municipal Park on June 12, 13, and 14, 2015. UNANIMOUS

Motion by Councilman Terance Irvin, seconded by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux to authorize use of the 2010 Dixie Youth World Series Funds to replace or repair all batting cages as needed within the city parks, and to demolish the press boxes at Municipal Park on the girls fields as needed, and replace them with a covered area with a table behind home plate for scorekeepers. UNANIMOUS

Final Vote on Ordinance # 3051: An Ordinance Amending the Capital Outlay Budget as follows:

CITY OF GONZALES

2014-2015 Budget Amendments

Capital Outlay Fund	2014-2015 Budget	Amendment Amount	2014-2015 AMENDED BUDGET	Explanation
Fire Department	323,000.00	124,500.00	447,500.00	Restore SCBA equipment from 128,000 to 240,000; Restore kitchen equipment from 10,000 to 20,000; Restore Lawnmower line item from 5,000 to 7,500.
Police Department	327,000.00	110,261.00	437,261.00	Restore Police Budget to Original Request
Capital Outlay Net Amendments				
	650,000.00	234,761.00	884,761.00	

YEAS: Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, Councilwoman Barbara Duhe, Councilman David Guitreau, Councilman Terance Irvin, Councilman Kenneth Matassa

Final Vote on Ordinance # 3052: An Ordinance Amending the General Fund Budget as follows:

CITY OF GONZALES
2014-2015 Budget Amendment

General Fund		2014-2015 Budget	Amendment Amount	2014-2015 AMENDED BUDGET	Explanation
General Govt	Asc Economic Development Stipend	50,000.00	50,000.00	100,000.00	Increase AEDC Allocation to Original \$100,000
Net General Fund Amendment		50,000.00	50,000.00	100,000.00	

YEAS: Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, Councilwoman Barbara Duhe, Councilman David Guitreau, Councilman Terance Irvin, Councilman Kenneth Matassa

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Final vote on Ordinance # 3053:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCE CHAPTER 17.SUBDIVISION OF LAND SEC, 17-5. DESIGN STANDARDS. (CHANGE) to (ADD) (h) TO READ:

BE IT ORDAINED BY Mayor and Councilman of the City of Gonzales, Louisiana:

That the Code of Ordinance be amended as follows:

Chapter 17. **SUBDIVISION OF LAND***

Sec. 17-5. Design standards.

(CHANGE) to (ADD) Sec. 17-5 (h) to read:

(h) Alleys

- (1) An alley is defined as vehicular access way through the middle of a block giving public access to the rear of residential, non-residential, and mixed use lots or buildings. Alleys are not considered part of the traffic circulation system.
- (2) An alley may serve as the primary vehicular access to a lot or building, but an alley should not provide the sole public right-of-way frontage for a parcel of land. Alleys shall only be granted in cases where access management standards deny parcel owners driveway access to existing city streets.
- (3) Alleys should connect to a public street at each end and should not terminate in permanent dead ends. In special circumstances, the City Engineer may consider alleys that only intersect public streets at one end.
- (4) Alleys should intersect public streets at a 90 degree angle where practical. In no case shall the intersecting angle be less than 75 degrees as measured from centerline of intersecting street.
- (5) The minimum right-of-way width for all new commercial or mixed-use alleys shall be 20 feet. All alleys shall be improved by paving the full width and length of the alley right-of-way.
- (6) The minimum pavement width for all new residential alleys shall be a minimum of 20 feet. A minimum building set back of 25 feet is required along an alley right-of-way to provide sufficient space for off street parking and safe backing of vehicles into the alley.
- (7) Alleys shall be no longer than 750 feet unless the proposed alley connects two existing public street and is approved by the City Engineer.

- (8) Access is allowed to and from a fully improved alley, but on-street parking within any portion of the alley right-of-way is prohibited. "No Parking" signs are required to be installed by the developer. The signs should be located at the alley/street intersections.
- (9) Alleys shall generally be designed with an inverted crown section storm drain system. Alley runoff must be collected within a subsurface drainage system and not allowed to runoff from the right-of-way. The minimum alley cross slope shall be 2.50%.
- (10) Alleys shall generally be linear in design, but the city Engineer may consider alleys with horizontal curves greater than 200 feet on a case by case basis.
- (11) All alley infrastructure including subsurface drainage within the alley right-of-way will be privately owned and maintained unless dedicated to the City by means of an approved final plat. The developer shall install signs indicating private street, no public maintenance, and the City shall have no liability for
 - a. Maintenance of the alley pavement section
 - b. Patrolling the alley
 - c. Drainage of stormwater or other surface runoff from such alley onto abutting property
- (12) Alleys dedicated to the City shall be constructed to the standards set forth in Section 17-6 (2) b.

YEAS: Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, Councilwoman Barbara Duhe, Councilman David Guitreau, Councilman Terance Irvin, Councilman Kenneth Matassa

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Final Vote on Ordinance # 3054:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCE CHAPTER 17.SUBDIVISION OF LAND SEC, 17-5. DESIGN STANDARDS. (CHANGE) to (ADD) (g) (9) TO READ:

BE IT ORDAINED BY Mayor and Councilman of the City of Gonzales, Louisiana:

That the Code of Ordinance be amended as follows:

Chapter 17. SUBDIVISION OF LAND*

Sec. 17-5. Design standards.

(CHANGE) (g) To (ADD) (9) to read:

Add Sec. 17-5(g) (9) to read:

(g) Access Connections

- (9) Driveways: Parking spaces shall not be laid out in such a way that vehicles must back out directly into traffic on collector, arterial or major streets.

YEAS: Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, Councilwoman Barbara Duhe, Councilman David Guitreau, Councilman Terance Irvin, Councilman Kenneth Matassa

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Final Vote on Ordinance # 3055:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCE CHAPTER 9 FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION* ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL (CHANGE) SEC. 9-1 CREATION TO READ: FIRE DEPARTMENT; AND (CHANGE) TO (ADD) SEC. 9-14 EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DIVISION.

BE IT ORDAINED BY Mayor and Councilman of the City of Gonzales, Louisiana:

That the Code of Ordinance Chapter 9 - FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION* Section 9-1 Fire Department and Sec. 9-14 Emergency Medical Services Division be hereby amended as follows:

Chapter 9

FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION*

ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL

(Change) Sec. 9-1 to read:

Sec. 9-1. Fire Department

The head of the fire department shall be the paid fire chief who shall be appointed by the mayor in accordance with state law.

(a) The department shall include, but is not limited to, the following divisions: Administrative; Emergency Medical Service; Fire Suppression; Fire Prevention; Fire Training; Hazardous Materials and Special Operations; Maintenance; Operations; and Information Technology.

(b) These divisions, and any other that may be added, shall be under the administrative control of the fire chief.

(Change) to (Add) Sec. 9-14 to read:

Section 9-14. Emergency Medical Services Division

The Emergency Medical Services Division shall provide Advanced Life Support (ALS) Ambulance service. This service shall be at no out of pocket expense to city residents.

(a) The Emergency Medical Services Division shall be managed by a director of emergency medical services and operate under the direction of a qualified physician medical director.

(b) The director of emergency medical services shall: develop medical protocols; establish division policies, goals, and objectives; evaluate medical services; and maintain division records. The Emergency Medical Services Division shall also be responsible for all Emergency Medical Service related functions performed by fire department personnel, and for other duties as directed by the fire chief.

YEAS: Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, Councilwoman Barbara Duhe, Councilman David Guitreau, Councilman Terance Irvin, Councilman Kenneth Matassa

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman Kenneth Matassa, seconded by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux to approve the expansion of the North Gonzales Economic Development District to include everything in the city limits north of Cornerview Street. UNANIMOUS

Motion by Councilman Kenneth Matassa, seconded by Councilman David Guitreau to approve the appointment of Ms. Erin Lanoux to the position of City Attorney.

YEAS: Councilwoman Barbara Duhe, Councilman David Guitreau, Councilman Kenneth Matassa

NAYS: Councilman Terance Irvin

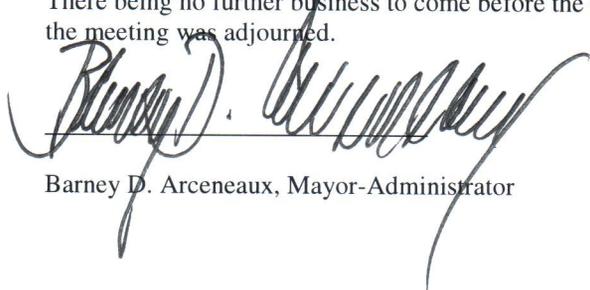
ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

Motion by Councilman Kenneth Matassa, seconded by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux to accept the winning proposal from Ferrara Fire and Equipment for the purchase of new Self Contained Breathing Apparatus. UNANIMOUS

Motion by Councilman Kenneth Matassa, seconded by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux to approve the position of Records Clerk Supervisor within the Police Department at Range 7. UNANIMOUS

There being no further business to come before the City Council and upon a motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned.


Barney D. Arceneaux, Mayor-Administrator

ATTEST


Clay A. Stafford, City Clerk