

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GONZALES, STATE OF LOUISIANA TAKEN ON SEPTEMBER 24, 2018, 5:30 P.M. AT CITY HALL, 120 S. IRMA BLVD.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Barney Arceneaux  
Councilman Harold Stewart  
Councilman Tyler Turner

Councilman Kirk Boudreaux  
Councilman David Guitreau

MEMBERS ABSENT: Neal Bourque

ALSO PRESENT:

Scot Byrd, City Clerk  
Sandra Alleman, Payables Clerk  
Resa Tureau, Finance Director

Erin Lanoux, City Attorney  
Sherman Jackson, Chief of Police

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart to approve the Council Meeting Minutes, taken September 10, 2018.

YEAS: Councilman David Guitreau, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: Neal Bourque

In open discussion for guests, Parish Councilman Johnny Cagnolatti reminded the citizens that the parish is holding two informational meetings with the public for the parish master planning effort on September 26<sup>th</sup> at the City of Gonzales Civic Center and September 27<sup>th</sup> at Lowery Elementary School in Donaldsonville. Meeting times are 5:30 until 8 pm.

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Tyler Turner to declare as surplus a 2008 Falcon 7 x 20 trailer, ID#7593 from the Recreation Department

YEAS: Councilman David Guitreau, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: Neal Bourque

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart to declare as surplus a 2012 Chevy Colorado pickup, VID # 142942640991 from the Utility Department.

YEAS: Councilman David Guitreau, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: Neal Bourque

The City Clerk stated that the city council members have been provided with a copy of the revenue and expense compared to budget report in the city council member's packets. The city is within budget. No discussion was required or requested by the council members.

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman David Guitreau to approve a Special Event Permit request of Anne Marie Aigner with Food Truck Festivals of America to hold a Bayou Food Truck & Craft Beer Festival at The Tanger Mall located at 2100 Tanger Blvd. Gonzales LA. October 27, 2018 from 11:00AM-5:00PM.

YEAS: Councilman David Guitreau, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: Neal Bourque

Motion by Councilman David Guitreau, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart, to approve a Special Event Permit request of Cabela's, Inc. to hold the 2018 Associate Virtual 5K Marathon around the Cabela's grounds located at 2200 W. Cabela's Pkwy from 7:00 AM until 10:00 AM on Sunday, October 28, 2018.

YEAS: Councilman David Guitreau, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: Neal Bourque

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart, to introduce Ordinance No. 4073:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCE  
CHAPTER 2. ADMINISTRATION, ARTICLE 5. PERSONNEL RULES  
AND PROCEDURES, DIVISION 5, ABSENCES FROM WORK  
**SECTION 2-215. LEAVE OF ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY AND  
EXTENDED MEDICAL LEAVE. (CHANGE) (a) TO READ:**

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Councilman of the City of Gonzales, Louisiana:  
That the Code of Ordinance of the City of Gonzales be hereby amended to read:

CHAPTER 2. ADMINISTRATION\*

Article V. Personnel Rules and Procedures.

DIVISION 5. Absences from Work

Sec. 2-215. Leave of absence without pay and extended medical leave.

(CHANGE) (a) To read:

(a) Leaves of absence without pay may be authorized on an individual basis by the mayor/police chief. During any authorized leave without pay, earned leave shall not accrue. Prior to taking leave without pay, an employee will be required to use all available paid leave.

Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the next regular City Council Meeting to be held on October 8, 2018.

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Tyler Turner, to declare as surplus a 2009 Big Tex 5x12 utility trailer, ID#9562 from the Police Department.

YEAS: Councilman David Guitreau, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: Neal Bourque

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart, to introduce Ordinance No. 4074:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCE  
CHAPTER 11. GARBAGE, TRASH, WEEDS AND WASTES.  
**SECTION 11-39, COST ASSESSED AGAINST PROPERTY OWNER,  
(CHANGE) TO READ; SECTION 11-62, COST ASSESSED  
AGAINST OWNER, TIME OF PAYMENT, PROCEDURE WHEN  
OWNER FAILS TO PAY, (CHANGE) TO READ:**

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Councilman of the City of Gonzales, Louisiana:  
That the Code of Ordinance of the City of Gonzales be hereby amended to read:

CHAPTER 11. GARBAGE, TRASH, WEEDS AND WASTES\*

Sec. 11-39. - Cost assessed against property owner.

(CHANGE) To read:

Within ten (10) days after the removal as provided in sections 11-37 and/or 11-38, the clerk shall furnish the owner as shown on the last assessment roll, by certified mail, a written statement showing the cost or expense incurred for the work, and the place or property on which the work was done. If the owner is found to have violated this section more than two times within a six month period, the city will additionally assess the owner a fine of \$250 upon the third offense and \$500 on every subsequent offense thereafter. These charges include, but are not limited to, any actual costs incurred by the City of Gonzales, fines levied against the owner, any administrative fees incurred, any third party contractor fees, and also expressly includes interest on all sums due from incurrence until payment. In the event the city elects to hold a public hearing before the city council and the nuisance is not remedied as proscribed in the hearing, each day shall constitute an additional offense. Notice of the public hearing shall be provided by certified mail and publication in the newspaper of record at least fifteen days prior to the hearing. If the statement is not paid within one (1) month thereafter, the amount thereof shall be included in and form a part of the taxes due by the property and the owner, and when collected shall be credited to the general fund of the city. The city is authorized to may recover costs of demolition, removal, maintenance, interest or attorney fees as provided in Louisiana RS 33:4766.

Sec. 11-62. - Cost assessed against owner, time of payment, procedure when owner fails to pay.

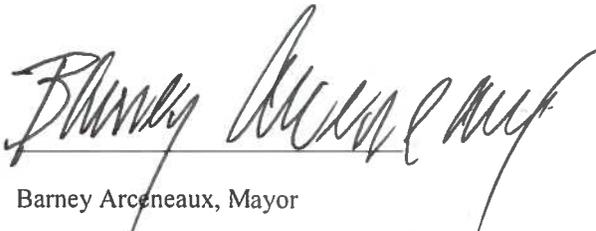
(CHANGE) To read:

After the cutting or removal as provided in section 11-61, the clerk shall furnish the owner as shown on the last assessment roll, by certified mail, a written statement showing the cost or expense incurred for the work, and the place or property on which the work was done, and any applicable fines and interest as set forth hereafter. If the owner is found to have violated this section more than two times within a six month period, the city will additionally assess the owner a fine of \$250 upon the third offense and \$500 on every subsequent offense thereafter. The City is further authorized to charge the owner interest on all sums due from incurrence until payment at a rate that does not exceed the legal interest rate provided in La. R.S. 9:3500. If the statement is not paid within one month thereafter, the amount thereof shall be included in and form a part of the taxes due by the property and the owner, and when collected shall be credited to the general fund of the city.

Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the next regular City Council Meeting to be held on October 8, 2018.

Chief Engineer Jackie Baumann presented the engineering report and Director of Public Works Alvin Broussard presented the public works report.

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



Barney Arceneaux, Mayor

ATTEST



Scot Byrd, City Clerk