

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCILMAN OF THE CITY OF GONZALES, STATE OF LOUISIANA TAKEN ON WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 26, 2020, 4:00 P.M. AT CITY HALL 120 S. IRMA BLVD.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Barney Arceneaux
Councilman Harold Stewart
Councilman Tyler Turner

Councilman Neal Bourque
Councilman David Guitreau

MEMBERS ABSENT: Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

ALSO PRESENT:

Brandon Boylan, Acting City Clerk
Lisa Babin, Administrative Secretary

Sherman Jackson, Chief of Police

Motion by Councilman Tyler Turner, seconded by Councilman David Guitreau to approve the Minutes of the regular City Council Meeting, taken February 10, 2020.

YEAS: Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner, Councilman Neal Bourque
Councilman David Guitreau

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

Motion by Councilman Tyler Turner, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart to approve the request of Mr. Clarence Davis with C D Ministry for approval of a Special Event Permit to use the Jambalaya Park Amphitheater to hold a public event "Gospel Summer Jam" to be held on Saturday July 18, 2020 from 2:00-8:00pm.

YEAS: Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner, Councilman Neal Bourque
Councilman David Guitreau

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

Motion by Councilman David Guitreau, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart to adopt a Proclamation to declare March 2020 as Flood Awareness Month.

YEAS: Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner, Councilman Neal Bourque
Councilman David Guitreau

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

Motion by Councilman Neal Bourque, seconded by Councilman Tyler Turner to adopt Resolution No. 2890:

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AN AGREEMENT TO NAME THE NEW PERFORMING ARTS, CONFERENCE & EVENT CENTER (PACE CENTER) THE "PRICE LEBLANC PACE CENTER OF GONZALES".

WHEREAS, the City of Gonzales desires to enhance our quality of life by building a new performing arts, conference and event center for the benefit of the citizens of the City of Gonzales and surrounding region, thereby improving economic development and tourism, creating jobs, aiding our restaurants, hotels and other small businesses;

WHEREAS, the family of members of Mr. Price LeBlanc, who passed away November 19, 2010, wish to aid the City in this endeavor by donating \$1.5 million dollars to the City;

WHEREAS, the City Administration and City Council feel that Mr. LeBlanc was an honorable man who made many contributions to charity and the community throughout his lifetime and it is appropriate to honor him by naming the PACE Center;

WHEREAS, the City Administration, in consultation with the City Attorney, Attorney General’s office, and Louisiana State Board of Ethics have determined this is a prudent and permissible course of action;

WHEREAS, the City Council, upon advice from the City Administration and City Attorney, hereby approves the naming rights agreement to name the performing arts, conference and event center the Price LeBlanc PACE Center of Gonzales, to be referred to in advertising and promotional documents as the “Price LeBlanc PACE Center”;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Gonzales, Parish of Ascension, Louisiana, in a public meeting held on February 26, 2020, which meeting was conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Law, resolves to authorize the City administration to sign the naming rights agreement with the Price LeBlanc family to name the performing arts, conference and event center as described herein:

YEAS: Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner, Councilman Neal Bourque
Councilman David Guitreau

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

The Finance Director 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 City Council Members.

Final vote on Ordinance No. 4100: An Ordinance Amending the Sales Tax Budget for Fiscal Year 2019-2020.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SALES TAX BUDGET

CITY OF GONZALES	
SALES TAX REVENUE BUDGET	
FY 2019-2020	
REVENUES:	
Sales Tax Collections	14,900,000.00
TOTAL:	14,900,000.00
EXPENDITURES:	
Appr. To General Fund	7,450,000.00
Ser-2001 Appr. Fire, Police & Sanitation	3,725,000.00
Appr. To Capital Imp.	2,980,000.00
Appr. To Utility Fund for Debt Service	745,000.00
TOTAL:	14,900,000.00

YEAS: Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner, Councilman Neal Bourque
Councilman David Guitreau

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

Final vote on Ordinance No. 4101: An Ordinance amending the General Fund Budget for the Fiscal Year 2019-2020.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET

General Fund	Department	Account Name	G/L Account No.	2019-2020 Original Budget	Amendment Amount	2019-2020 AMENDED BUDGET	Explanation
Revenues:							
General Fund	General Government	Property Taxes	01-4-00-01-901	730,000.00	40,000.00	770,000.00	Recognize revenues exceeding projection
General Fund	General Government	Fire Dept Property Tax	01-4-00-09-937	452,600.00	24,900.00	477,500.00	Recognize revenues exceeding projection
General Fund	General Government	Sales Tax Appropriation	001-4-00-01-902	7,400,000.00	50,000.00	7,450,000.00	Recognize revenues exceeding projection
General Fund	General Government	Sales Tax Appro (Series 2001)	01-4-00-01-902.01	3,700,000.00	25,000.00	3,725,000.00	Recognize revenues exceeding projection
General Fund	General Government	Grants - Police - APSB	01-4-00-11-933	55,000.00	65,000.00	120,000.00	one additional school resource officer
General Fund	General Government	Grants - FEMA (Hurricane Barry)	01-44-00-11-937	0.00	53,650.00	53,650.00	Fire and Public Works Overtime (Barry)
Total Revenue Additions						258,550.00	
Expenses:							
General Fund	Fire Department	Salaries	01-5-10-01-001	1,705,000.00	-70,000.00	1,635,000.00	replace senior employees with new employ
General Fund	Fire Department	Overtime	01-5-14-01-006	225,000.00	20,000.00	245,000.00	Increased spending to maintain services
General Fund	Fire Department	Retirement	01-5-12-01-058	974,000.00	-16,250.00	957,750.00	reduced due to salary reduction
General Fund	Fire Department	Medicare/FICA	01-5-12-01-077	52,000.00	-725.00	51,275.00	reduced due to salary reduction
General Fund	Fire Department	Workers Comp Insurance	01-5-14-01-080	169,000.00	1,932.00	170,932.00	Increased due to overtime & part time
General Fund	Fire Department	Part-Time Labor	01-5-10-01-002	150,000.00	85,000.00	235,000.00	increased spending to maintain services
General Fund	Fire Department	Health Insurance	01-5-10-01-085	331,000.00	-15,000.00	316,000.00	new hires different coverage
General Fund	Police Department	Salaries	01-5-14-01-001	2,993,000.00	-26,825.00	2,966,175.00	one additional SRO, trans some \$ to OT
General Fund	Police Department	Part-Time Labor	01-5-14-01-002	90,000.00	15,000.00	105,000.00	increase funds from salaries & other acct
General Fund	Police Department	Overtime	01-5-14-01-006	225,000.00	30,500.00	255,500.00	increase funds from salaries & other acct
General Fund	Police Department	Retirement	01-5-12-01-058	974,000.00	1,194.38	975,194.38	Increased due to overtime & part time
General Fund	Police Department	Medicare/FICA	01-5-12-01-077	52,000.00	53.29	52,053.29	Increased due to overtime & part time
General Fund	Police Department	Workers Comp Insurance	01-5-14-01-080	169,000.00	202.86	169,202.86	Increased due to overtime & part time
General Fund	Police Department	Mounted Posse	01-5-14-12-060	12,000.00	-12,000.00	0.00	move funds to overtime & PT Labor
General Fund	Police Department	Data Processing	01-5-14-08-030	160,000.00	-5,000.00	155,000.00	move funds to overtime & PT Labor
General Fund	Police Department	Education	01-5-14-07-020	58,000.00	-3,000.00	55,000.00	move funds to overtime & PT Labor
General Fund	Sanitation	Landfill Contract	01-5-16-09-030	830,000.00	105,000.00	935,000.00	increased debris disposal costs
General Fund	General Government	Accounting & Audit Fees	01-5-18-02-012	24,000.00	6,000.00	30,000.00	interim contract prior to new finance dir
General Fund	General Government	Consulting Fees	01-5-18-02-016	30,000.00	7,500.00	37,500.00	consultant to maintain NFIP rating
Total Expense Additions						123,582.52	

YEAS: Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner, Councilman Neal Bourque
Councilman David Guitreau

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

Final vote on Ordinance No. 4102: An Ordinance amending the Proprietary Fund Budget for the Fiscal Year 2019-2020.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PROPRIETARY FUND BUDGET

Utility Fund	Department	Account Name	G/L Account No.	2019-2020 Original Budget	Amendment Amount	2019-2020 AMENDED BUDGET	Explanation
Revenues:							
Utility Fund	Department Revenues	Installation Fees	02-4-00-02-803	55,000.00	15,000.00	70,000.00	Increase in number of customers
Utility Fund	Department Revenues	Residential Water Sales	02-4-00-04-810	760,000.00	70,000.00	830,000.00	Increase in number of customers
Utility Fund	Department Revenues	Commercial Water Sales	02-4-00-04-811	650,000.00	90,000.00	740,000.00	Increase in number of customers
Total Revenue Additions						175,000.00	
Utility Fund	Water Dept	Overtime	02-5-20-01-006	25,000.00	18,000.00	43,000.00	implementation of smart meter program
Utility Fund	Water Dept	Retirement	02-5-20-01-058	84,000.00	5,850.00	89,850.00	implementation of smart meter program
Utility Fund	Water Dept	Medicare/FICA	02-5-20-01-077	4,200.00	261.00	4,461.00	implementation of smart meter program
Utility Fund	Water Dept	Workers Comp Insurance	02-5-20-01-080	16,000.00	993.60	16,993.60	implementation of smart meter program
Utility Fund	Gas Dept	Overtime	02-5-11-01-006	25,000.00	18,000.00	43,000.00	implementation of smart meter program
Utility Fund	Gas Dept	Retirement	02-5-11-01-058	84,000.00	5,850.00	89,850.00	implementation of smart meter program
Utility Fund	Gas Dept	Medicare/FICA	02-5-11-01-077	4,200.00	261.00	4,461.00	implementation of smart meter program
Utility Fund	Gas Dept	Workers Comp Insurance	02-5-11-01-080	16,000.00	993.60	16,993.60	implementation of smart meter program
Utility Fund	Gas Dept	Supplies & Maintenance	02-5-11-04-014	120,000.00	-70,000.00	50,000.00	implementation of smart meter program
Utility Fund	Water Dept	Supplies & Maintenance	02-5-20-04-014	300,000.00	125,000.00	425,000.00	growth in the city - added purchases
Utility Fund	Water Dept	Meter Technology Expense	02-5-20-04-015	339,300.00	50,700.00	390,000.00	growth in the city - added purchases
Utility Fund	General - Utility	Accounting & Audit Fees	02-5-27-02-012	24,000.00	6,000.00	30,000.00	interim contract prior to new finance dir
Total Expense Additions						161,909.20	

YEAS: Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner, Councilman Neal Bourque

Councilman David Guitreau

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

Motion by Councilman Neal Bourque, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart to declare as surplus the following:

1-	PP204391	2008 FORD CRVIC	2FAFP71VX8X136454
1-	PP204309	2008 FORD CRVIC	2FAFP71V08X136463
1-	RSD124	2009 CHEVY TAHOE	1GNEC03039R192880
1-	PP205045	2010 DODGE CHA	2B3AA4CV6AH117595
1-	PP235125	2014 DODGE CHA	2C3CDXAT4EH122693
1-	PP213683	2012 DODGE CHA	2C3CDXAT1CH305014

YEAS: Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner, Councilman Neal Bourque
Councilman David Guitreau

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

Motion by Councilman Neal Bourque, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart to approve the donation of the following six vehicles declared as surplus to the Town of Roseland:

1-	PP204391	2008 FORD CRVIC	2FAFP71VX8X136454
1-	PP204309	2008 FORD CRVIC	2FAFP71V08X136463
1-	RSD124	2009 CHEVY TAHOE	1GNEC03039R192880
1-	PP205045	2010 DODGE CHA	2B3AA4CV6AH117595
1-	PP235125	2014 DODGE CHA	2C3CDXAT4EH122693
1-	PP213683	2012 DODGE CHA	2C3CDXAT1CH305014

YEAS: Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner, Councilman Neal Bourque
Councilman David Guitreau

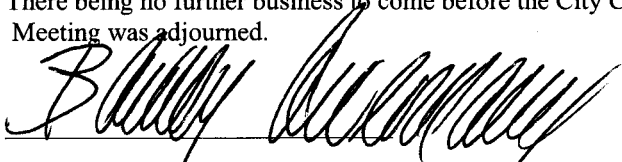
NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

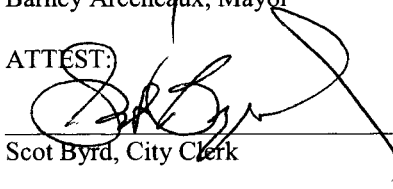
Motion by Councilman Harold Stewart, seconded by Councilman David Guitreau to approve the increased rates for Ambulance services provided by the City of Gonzales Fire Department as presented by the Fire Chief Tracey Normand.

Final vote to be taken at the next regular scheduled City Council Meeting to be held on Monday March 16, 2020 at 5:30 pm at City Hall 120 S. Irma Blvd. Gonzales, LA.

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