

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCILMAN OF THE CITY OF GONZALES,
STATE OF LOUISIANA TAKEN ON MONDAY OCTOBER 12, 2020, 5:30 P.M. AT CITY HALL 120 S. IRMA BLVD,
GONZALES, LA 70737.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Barney Arceneaux
Councilman Harold Stewart
Councilman Tyler Turner

Councilman Neal Bourque
Councilman David Guitreau

MEMBERS ABSENT: Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

ALSO PRESENT:

Scot Byrd, City Clerk
Lisa Babin, Admin Secretary
Brandon Boylan, Finance Director

Matt Percy, City Attorney
Sherman Jackson, Chief of Police

Motion by Councilman Tyler Turner, seconded by Councilman Neal Bourque to approve the Minutes from a regular meeting of the City Council taken September 28, 2020.

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 Neal Bourque to adopt Resolution No. 2906: A Resolution of the City of Gonzales to support Cooperative Endeavors between the City of Gonzales, the Parish of Ascension, the Pontchartrain Levee District, Louisiana Office of Community Development and other entities for making an application to the Watershed Projects Grant Program to fund improvements for drainage in watersheds impacting the city.

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 Special Event Permit request of Kari deSha Millet Representative of The American Cancer Society, to hold a "Witches Ride" a bike riding event up and down Irma Blvd on Saturday October 17, 2020 from 10:00a.m. -1:00 p.m. funds to benefit Relay for Life.

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 Tyler Turner to approve the Special Event Permit request of Sharon Flannagan with the River Region Art Association to hold a "Makers Market" featuring handmade Art and Crafts, Jewelry, yard Art, and Food to be held on Saturday October 17, 2020 outside the Depot Gallery at 320 E. Ascension St. from 9:00a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

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 Neal Bourque to approve the Special Event Permit request of Clarence Davis with C.D Ministries for use of the Jambalaya Park Amphitheater to hold a “Super Bowl Gospel Jam Concert.”, a free community event to be held at on Saturday July 24, 2021 from 1:00-6:00 p.m.

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 allow property owner Harry Robert two weeks to demolish the property at 725 E. Cornerview Rd.

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 David Guitreau to introduce Ordinance No. 4124:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 13.
PARKS AND RECREATION, (ADD) SEC. 13-55. PARK OPERATING POLICY.

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 amended as follows:

Chapter 13. PARKS AND RECREATION

(ADD)

Sec 13-55. **Park Operating Policy.**

(A) Park hours. City parks shall be open daily to the public between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. No minors without parent, legal guardian or adult supervision in an approved recreational capacity is permitted in the park one half hour after sunset. No person shall occupy or be present in any park during the hours it is not open to the public, provided that city personnel, police officers on official duty, or other city officers, or employees on park duty, or other persons with special permits from the Parks and Recreation Department who are conducting city business are not so restricted. The penalty for violating this ordinance shall be as described in Louisiana Revised Statute 14:63.3.

(B) Closed areas. Any section or part of any park may be declared closed to the public by the Police Chief, Mayor, Administrator, Public Works Director or Recreation Director (hereinafter referred to as Administrative Staff) at any time, and for any interval of time, either temporarily, or at regular and stated intervals (daily or otherwise), and either entirely, or merely to certain uses, as the Administrative Staff shall find reasonably necessary.

(C) Authority for use of facilities. Any organized club, school, association, or recognized group desiring the use of specific areas of any park, such as picnic areas, or athletic fields, shall file a Special Event Permit, as provided for in City Code Sec 18-24 with the City Clerk, and shall not use said park or area until said permit is granted. The use of the park shall be in the capable limits of the park.

(1) Exclusive use of park. No permit shall be issued for the exclusive use of any park and no permittee shall exclude the public from the park, charge any admittance fee, sell tickets or otherwise require anyone to pay any fee for entering any park without prior authorization of the City Council.

(2) Granting of permits. The authority for granting permits shall be with the City Council.

(3) Cleanup by permittee. All permits shall require the permittee to clean up the park area after the activity has terminated and all applications for permits must give the name, address, and phone number of the permittee responsible for the necessary policing thereof. The permittee shall be required to pay a security deposit for cleaning up the area.

(4) Honoring special permits. All persons shall honor any special permits issued by the City Council for certain areas, days, and times to clubs, organizations, teams, or any other groups, including but not limited to picnic grounds and ball diamonds, provided such permit is presented on official Parks and Recreation forms.

Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the next regular City Council Meeting scheduled for October 26, 2020.

Motion by Councilman Tyler Turner, seconded by Councilman Neal Bourque to declare as surplus the following:

- 1-2015 Dodge Ram 2500-VIN # 3C6TR4HT8FG658038 - (WRECKED)
- 1 2009 Ford F150-VIN #1FTRX12W39KB23044
- 1-2012 Ford F250-VIN #1FDBF2A61CEA29662
- 1-Generac Diesel Generator SN#2009620

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

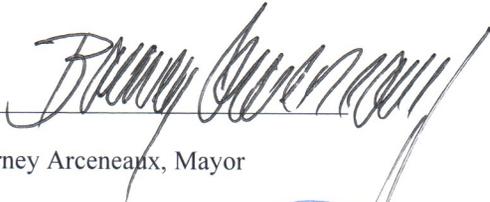
Motion by Councilman David Guitreau, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart to approve the Mayor's decision to celebrate Halloween "Trick or Treating" within the city limits of Gonzales on Saturday October 31, 2020 from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm; and due to COVID 19, the Mayor recommends all participants to wear a mask and pass up houses without lighting.

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

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