MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCILMAN OF THE CITY OF GONZALES, STATE OF LOUISIANA TAKEN ON MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 2023, 5:30 P.M. AT CITY HALL, 120 S. IRMA BLVD, GONZALES, LA 70737.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Barney Arceneaux, Mayor Councilman Harold Stewart Councilman Tyler Turner Councilman John A. Berthelot Councilman Tim Riley Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

MEMBERS ABSENT: NONE

ALSO PRESENT:

Scot Byrd, City Clerk Matt Percy, City Attorney Brandon Boylan, Finance Director

Chief Sherman Jackson, Gonzales PD Terri Delatorre, Administrative Secretary

Motion by Councilman Tyler Turner, seconded by Councilman John A. Berthelot, to approve the Minutes of a Public Hearing of the City Council taken January 9, 2023.

YEAS: Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner, Councilman John A. Berthelot, Councilman Tim Riley, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

**NAYS: NONE** 

ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman Tyler Turner, seconded by Councilman John A. Berthelot, to approve the Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the City Council taken January 9, 2023.

YEAS: Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner, Councilman John A. Berthelot, Councilman Tim Riley, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

**NAYS: NONE** 

ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman John A. Berthelot, to introduce Ordinance No. 4201: an Ordinance to Adopt a Schedule of Fees for Public Records Requests.

Public Hearing and final vote on this foregoing amendment to be taken at the next City Council meeting scheduled for February 13, 2023, at 5:30 p.m.

Motion by Councilman Tyler Turner, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart, to introduce Ordinance No. 4202 – City of Gonzales 2022-2023 Budget Amendment 03: An Ordinance Amending the Capital Outlay Budget, General Fund Budget, Utility Fund Budget, and Pace Center Fund Budget to allow for \$234,400.00 to hire a Conference Manager, a Code Officer, and one employee for drainage and other matters.

Public Hearing and final vote on this foregoing amendment to be taken at the next City Council meeting scheduled for February 13, 2023, at 5:30 p.m.

Motion by Councilman John A. Berthelot, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart, to approve the Special Event Permit request of Catherine Matherne, of Ducks Unlimited, Inc., to hold their annual East Ascension Ducks Unlimited Gun Bash & Banquet on Friday, March 10, 2023, from 5:00 pm - 10:00 pm, at Cabela's, 2200 W. Cabela's Parkway. This will be a family friendly event with raffles, games, food and beverages, and live and silent auctions.

YEAS: Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner, Councilman John A. Berthelot, Councilman Tim Riley, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

NAYS: NONE ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman John A. Berthelot, seconded by Councilman Tim Riley, to approve the Special Event Permit request of Jeremy Tarver, on behalf of the Angelman Syndrome Foundation, for the use of the Amphitheater and the Jambalaya Park Spray Ground, to have an ASF Walk on Saturday, May 20, 2023, from 6:00 am -5:00 pm, to raise awareness and funds for Angelman Syndrome. The ASF Walk is approximately 1 mile and about 150-200 people are expected to participate.

Mr. Tarver asked the Council if he could hang signs and serve jambalaya at the event. The councilman agreed that he could serve jambalaya and hang signs only at the beginning of the walk route.

YEAS: Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner, Councilman John A. Berthelot, Councilman Tim Riley, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

NAYS: NONE ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman John A. Berthelot, seconded by Councilman Tim Riley, to accept the report and recommendation from a "Water Rate Study" as required by the LA Dept. of Health.

YEAS: Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner, Councilman John A. Berthelot, Councilman Tim Riley, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

NAYS: NONE ABSENT: NONE

The Finance Director stated the City Council Members have copies of the revenue and expense compared to budget report in their packets. The City is within budget. We continue to maintain compliance with the corrective action plan to resolve fiscal year 2022 audit findings.

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart, to award the contract for the 2022 Road Rehabilitation Project, in the amount of \$1,359,600.30, to R. J. Daigle & Sons Contractors, Inc.

YEAS: Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner, Councilman John A. Berthelot, Councilman Tim Riley, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

NAYS: NONE ABSENT: NONE

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:

Scot Byrd, City Clerk