

## **CITY COUNCIL**

**July 10, 2017,  
DeQuincy, LA**

The city council of the city of DeQuincy met in regular session on the above date in the city hall council chambers located at 300 Holly Street, DeQuincy, Louisiana, with the following members present: Ronda Jacobs, Judy Landry, and Mark Peloquin. Absent: Andrea Coleman and Denise Maddox.

Vice Council Chairman Mark Peloquin called the meeting to order at 6:18 p.m. Mayor Lawrence Henagan gave the invocation and Ronda Jacobs led the pledge of allegiance.

Motion was made by Ronda Jacobs and seconded by Judy Landry to approve the June 12, 2017 regular session minutes. Without objection, the motion carried.

Valecia Royer, CPA, presented the finance report for the City of DeQuincy. She gave totals of budgeted revenue and actual revenue for the city and budgeted expenses and actual expenses. She also reiterated to the council that the city was in good shape right now and no budget amendments were needed.

Fire Chief Johnny Copeland reported there were five (4) runs for the month of June 2017.

Chief Suchanek gave the police report. The bonds and fines totaled \$23,862.00 for the month of June 2017.

Eddy Dahlquist is absent and Mayor Henagan gave the public works report. The crew ordered and are putting in, on Jefferson Street, a large culvert that had rusted out. They are also mowing grass in-between the rains and filling potholes. This week the crew has been working around the Grand Avenue Gym preparing the property for an event coming up next weekend.

## **CITY REPORTS GIVEN BY MAYOR HENAGAN**

- The Fourth of July fireworks show turned out great, thanks to Johnny Copeland and his crew. This event has gone over so well that we would like to discuss possibly having an annual July 4<sup>th</sup> fireworks show.
- Today KPLC News featured an inmate who had escaped from a work release program, in another Parish, and who was captured today by officers from our DeQuincy Police Department. Congratulations to those officers and the DeQuincy Police Department.
- We have made an offer to purchase the vacant Capital One building in hopes of possibly renovating it and moving City Hall into that building. I haven't heard back from anyone, as of this date, but I will try to get a key from the realtor so our architect can go in to see if this building would be feasible for a new city hall.
- The city has been contacted by a church motorcycle group that wants to come to DeQuincy to have a benefit to help with the Hiroshima War Memorial building fund. A date has not been set yet but I will advise the council when more information is received.

Ronda Jacobs made a motion to approve the July 10, 2017 agenda and Judy Landry seconded the motion. Without objection, the motion carried.

## **PUBLIC INPUT:**

### **Items not on the agenda.**

Arnold Blagrove gave the council several pictures of properties in his district and asked that the city contract the owners to clean up their property. He would also like the city to do a study on the drainage problem on LeBlanc Street.

### **Items on the agenda.**

None

There was no action taken on the liquor application for Tiger’s Den. It is our understanding the business has closed permanently.

A public hearing was held regarding the 2017 millage rates. There was no input and the meeting was closed.

A motion was made by Judy Landry and seconded by Ronda Jacobs to adopt a resolution adopting the 2017 millage rates. Motion carried as follows: Yeas: Judy Landry, Mark Peloquin and Ronda Jacobs. Nays: None. Absent: Denise Maddox and Andrea Coleman. Abstain: None.

A motion was made by Ronda Jacobs and seconded by Judy Landry to adopt a resolution approving the 2017 Drainage Trust Application with the amendment to a 30% match of funds rather than the 50% shown. Motion carried as follows: Yeas: Judy Landry, Mark Peloquin and Ronda Jacobs. Nays: None. Absent: Denise Maddox and Andrea Coleman. Abstain: None.

A motion was made by Andrea Coleman and seconded by Judy Landry to approve the two bids received from T Bar Two, LLC on a 1984 Dozer and Long tiller. Motion carried as follows: Yeas: Judy Landry, Mark Peloquin and Ronda Jacobs. Nays: None. Absent: Denise Maddox and Andrea Coleman. Abstain: None.

A motion was made by Judy Landry and seconded by Ronda Jacobs to repeal our animal control ordinance and adopt the Calcasieu Parish Police Jury animal control ordinance. Motion carried as follows: Yeas: Judy Landry, Mark Peloquin and Ronda Jacobs. Nays: None. Absent: Denise Maddox and Andrea Coleman. Abstain: None.

**COUNCIL CONCERNS**

Ronda Jacobs asked the Mayor about a speed limit sign West Park Street and a deep sewer wash out on West Park Drive. Also asked that Officer Whitehead drive down W. Perkins Street and check out some of the yards.

Mark Peloquin asked that the shrubbery at the corner of Harrison Street and Hwy. 27 be cut back so you can see to pull out of Harrison Street onto the highway.

Judy Landry has no council concerns.

Judy Landry made a motion to adjourn and Ronda Jacobs seconded the motion.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_ APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Pat Brummett City Council Clerk Lawrence Henagan Mayor

COUNCIL CHAIRMAN: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mark Peloquin Vice-Council Chairman