

City of Abbeville
Regular Meeting
May 16, 2023

The Mayor and Council of the City of Abbeville met in regular session on May 16, 2023 at 5:30 P.M., at the regular meeting place, the Council Meeting Room, located at 101 North State Street, Abbeville, Louisiana, with the Honorable Roslyn R. White, Mayor, presiding.

Members Present: Council Members, Carlton Campbell, Brady Broussard, Jr., Terry Broussard, Francis Touchet, Jr., Mayor Pro-Tem and Tony Hardy

Members Absent: None

Also, Present: Bart Broussard, City Attorney
Mike Hardy, Police Chief
Jude Mire, Fire Chief
Chris Gautreaux, Director of Public Works & Parks
Gene Sellers, Engineer
Kim Touchet, Engineer
Byron Dozier, Parks and Recreation Coordinator, QSA
Diana Callahan, American Legion Auxiliary
Marc Creswell, Acadian Ambulance
Ben Rivera & Colton Daigle, Insurance Agents
Dudley Broussard, American Legion Baseball

Mayor White called the meeting to order and requested a roll call. She then asked Councilman Carlton Campbell to lead those assembled in prayer. Mayor White asked Mr. Michael Holmes to lead the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. Diana Callahan with the American Legion Auxiliary received a Poppy proclamation from Mayor White. Mayor White declared May 16, 2023 as Poppy Day in the City of Abbeville.

Mr. Marc Creswell discussed the Acadian Ambulance program that will sponsor five people to become EMTs.

-01 introduced by Mr. Carlton Campbell and seconded by Ms. Terry Broussard to approve the minutes from the May 2, 2023 Committee and the regular City Council meetings. The motion carried unanimously.

-02 introduced by Mr. Tony Hardy and seconded by Ms. Terry Broussard to ratify bills paid in the month of April 2023. The motion carried unanimously.

-03 introduced by Mr. Tony Hardy and seconded by Mr. Brady Broussard, Jr. to approve the April 2023 budget to actual report. The motion carried unanimously.

-04 introduced by Mr. Brady Broussard, Jr. and seconded by Ms. Terry Broussard to approve the LWCC renewal effective May 19, 2023 and to authorize the Mayor to execute all necessary documents associated with the renewal. The motion carried unanimously.

Touchet/Hardy
Resolution R23-11

A resolution to adopt the millage rate for the 2023 tax year.

The motion carried unanimously.

-05 introduced by Mr. Francis Touchet, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Brady Broussard, Jr. to approve the liquor license for The Southern Spread located at 400 Charity Street. The motion carried unanimously.

Touchet/Hardy
Resolution R23-12

A resolution granting the authority to the Mayor to sign and submit all necessary documents, appoint an administrative consultant and to commit costs for the FY 2023 LCDBG Clearance Program.

The motion carried unanimously.

-06 introduced by Mr. Brady Broussard, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Francis Touchet, Jr. to approve change order number 1 relative to the Downtown Abbeville Streetscaping, Phase II Project to adjust contract quantities. The motion carried unanimously.

-07 introduced by Mr. Tony Hardy and seconded by Mr. Carlton Campbell to approve payment of partial payment number 5 in the amount of \$66,374.00 payable to Southern Constructors, LLC relative to the Downtown Abbeville Streetscaping, Phase II Project. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Broussard/Touchet
Resolution R23-13

A resolution to authorize the Mayor to execute the notice of acceptance relative to the Downtown Abbeville Streetscaping Phase II Project. The motion carried unanimously.

The motion carried unanimously.

-08 introduced by Mr. Tony Hardy and seconded by Mr. Francis Touchet, Jr. to approve payment of estimate for partial payment number 4 (final) in the amount of \$24,403.47 payable to Glenn Lege Construction, LLC for the Rehabilitation of the T-Hangar Taxilanes and Apron Areas Project. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Broussard/T. Broussard
Resolution R23-14

A resolution to authorize the Mayor to execute an intergovernmental agreement between the City of Abbeville and the Vermilion Parish Police Jury for the rubbish abatement at 1109 S. Shireview. The Police Jury will pay one-half of the cost.

The motion carried unanimously.

-09 introduced by Mr. Tony Hardy and seconded by Ms. Terry Broussard to approve the invoice in the amount of \$5,054.90 from Delta Fire & Safety to transport a the fire department tanker truck to Florida to be repaired. The motion carried unanimously.

-10 introduced by Mr. Francis Touchet, Jr. and seconded by Ms. Terry Broussard to approve the insurance renewal from VFIS for coverage of the Fire Department with a \$5,000 deductible. The motion carried unanimously.

-11 introduced by Mr. Carlton Campbell and seconded by Mr. Tony Hardy to ratify payment of an invoice in the amount of \$39,990.99 payable to Motorola for the purchase and installation of license plate reader cameras. The expense will be reimbursed by grant funds. The motion carried unanimously.

-12 introduced by Mr. Tony Hardy and seconded by Ms. Terry Broussard to ratify payment of all expenses relative to the clarifier breakdown at the Water Treatment Plant. The motion carried unanimously.

-13 introduced by Mr. Carlton Campbell and seconded by Mr. Francis Touchet, Jr. to grant a variance to the property owner of 2209 Anita Street to replace her older mobile home with a brand new one. The variance is needed because it is located in corridor 1 which is a no mobile home zone. The motion carried unanimously.

Hardy/Touchet Resolution R23-15

A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an intergovernmental agreement between the City of Abbeville and the City of Crowley whereby the City of Crowley will donate a Lumitec Police K9 kennel to the City of Abbeville.

The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Kim Touchet stated that the Hollingsworth bridge repair is complete.

Mr. Byron Dozier discussed the upcoming events at the park. Mr. Dudley Broussard discussed American Legion Baseball.

Mayor White discussed the recent repair of the clarifier at the Water Treatment Plant and a meeting she had with the Governor's liaison pertaining to a strategic planning grant.

Chief Mike Hardy gave a brief status of the new curfew.

Chief Jude Mire stated they are now flushing hydrants.

Councilman Brady Broussard, Jr. asked the other Council Members to let him know if they have been receiving complaints about loose animals and he announced that the Daylily Festival is scheduled for June 3, 2023.

Councilman Carlton Campbell complimented the mailout that the City had sent out about the new curfew and the golf cart ordinance.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor White declared this meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

APPROVE:

Kathleen S. Faulk
Secretary-Treasurer

Roslyn R. White
Mayor