

The Mayor and Council of the City of Abbeville met in special session on February 18, 2022 at 4:00 P.M., at the regular meeting place, the Council Meeting Room located at 101 North State Street, Abbeville, Louisiana, with the Honorable Mark Piazza, Mayor, presiding.

Members Present: Council Members, Francis Plaisance, Terry Broussard, Brady Broussard, Jr., and Roslyn White

Members Absent: Councilman Francis Touchet, Jr.

Also, Present: Ike Funderburk, City Attorney
Ben Rivera, Insurance Agent

Mayor Piazza stated we are here for this special City Council meeting to discuss a couple of agenda items. Councilman Broussard asked that we deviate from the agenda to add one item to the agenda for Comeaux Park. Councilman Broussard stated that the sports engineer made his final inspection today on Sellers and Theriot Fields. We need to give the Mayor authorization to accept those two fields as substantially complete with a punch list so that we can take possession of those fields so the high schools can begin using these two fields.

-01 introduced by Mr. Brady Broussard, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Francis Plaisance to deviate from the agenda to add the acceptance of Sellers and Theriot fields with punch list items. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Broussard stated that the sports engineer saw nothing out of the ordinary in his final inspection of Sellers and Theriot fields. He has a punch list for both fields. Mayor Piazza stated that once the engineer states that the high schools can play on those fields, he will give them the go ahead because we will not have another meeting between now and the start of their season. Our next meeting falls on Mardi Gras, 3/1/22, so we will not have a meeting that day. The high schools want to start next week. He has met with all three of the schools that play there now, Abbeville High, Harvestime and Vermilion Catholic, to sign the third-party usage field agreements. Those are all in place. This will allow the Mayor to allow them to play since we have the agreements in place and we have the substantial completion of those two fields. That will give them ability to go on the field and the contractor would not be able to come back on us and say the schools messed it up before the end of the contract. Councilman Plaisance asked if the outfields are ready too. Councilman Broussard stated that Don Simpson, the sports engineer, was not saying that. A majority of the outfields were not touched as part of this project. We can't argue with Mother Nature and if they will be wet, then they will be wet. That is not part of what GeoSurfaces did. This would be only for the part that GeoSurfaces did.

-02 introduced by Mr. Brady Broussard, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Francis Plaisance to accept Sellers and Theriot Fields as substantially complete with a punch list so that the high school teams may begin utilizing the fields. The motion carried unanimously.

-03 introduced by Mr. Brady Broussard, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Francis Plaisance to accept option number 2 in the amount of \$222,897.18 for the renewal of property, inland marine/equipment, commercial auto physical, airport liability and boiler machinery coverage effective March 1, 2022 with Thompson, Smith and Leach. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Rivera stated that there may a buy down option to reduce the boiler and machinery coverage deductible from \$250,000 to \$50,000 for an additional premium of \$900 for electrical apparatuses. If that happens, he will come back with an endorsement later. He will follow up on that and let the Insurance Committee know.

-04 introduced by Mr. Brady Broussard, Jr. and seconded by Ms. Roslyn White to accept the renewal from Risk Management, Inc. in the amount of \$222,805.56 for the renewal of commercial general liability, law enforcement officer coverage, automobile liability and errors and omissions coverage effective March 1, 2022. The motion carried unanimously.

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

ATTEST:

APPROVE:

Kathleen S. Faulk
Secretary-Treasurer

Mark Piazza
Mayor