# REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING



August 03, 2021 at 5:30 PM

Council Meeting Room, 101 North State Street, Abbeville, Louisiana 70510

# **AGENDA**

NOTICE POSTED: August 2, 2021 at 4:00 P.M.

### **REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS**

Call to Order by Mayor Roll Call by Kathy Faulk Prayer Pledge

#### **PERSONNEL**

#### **GUESTS**

1. 9-10 year old QSA Americans who captured the 2021 South Zone Mustang Super Regional Championship - Councilman Brady Broussard, Jr.

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

 Special recognition, by the Mayor and City Council, for outstanding service and duty of Clay Menard, former Public Works Director.

# **MINUTES AND APPROVAL OF BILLS**

1. To approve the minutes from the July 20, 2021 special City Council meeting.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

(To allow comments on any of the following items prior to action.)

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. To open bids received for a surplused 2009 Buick Enclave that was awarded to the Abbeville Police Department.
- To grant a personal, non-assignable, variance to Mark Albertelly, 509 Fairview Street, for construction of a fence at the end of West Oak Street (permit request 631) Councilwoman Roslyn White.
- 3. To approve the quote from Versalift in the amount of \$5,801.76 to repair a bucket truck.
- 4. Report on CDC guidelines, Abbeville data and Vermilion Parish statistics on COVID-19 Councilman Brady Broussard, Jr.
- 5. 5 minute video presentation of "Opportunities for Kids"-Councilman Francis Touchet, Jr.
- 6. Appointment of a committee by the Mayor for research and further development of Abbeville Parks and Recreation Department and properties.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Update on Community Survey for LDRC program - Councilwoman Roslyn White.

#### **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS AND UPDATES**

- Park and Recreation Director-QSA
- Mayor
- Police Chief
- Fire Chief
- 5. Digital Media Assistant

#### **TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION**

1. Council Members

# **ADJOURN**

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance, please contact

Mayor Mark Piazza's office at 337-893-8550, describing the assistance that is necessary.

The Mayor and Council of the City of Abbeville met in special session on July 20, 2021 at 5:00 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., Francis Touchet, Jr., Mayor Pro-Tem and Roslyn

White

Members Absent: None

Also, Present: Ike Funderburk, City Attorney

Jude Mire, Fire Chief

Allie Horton, Digital Media Assistant

Gerald Gaspard, American Legion & Chamber of Commerce

Mayor Piazza stated we are here tonight for a special City Council meeting for a public hearing to address three properties. The properties are located at 506 S. Guegnon, 1515 Graceland, 1811 Fairmont and 1818 Fairmont.

-01 introduced by Mr. Brady Broussard, Jr. and seconded by Ms. Roslyn White to move the hearing for 506 S. Guegnon from number 1 to number 4 on the agenda since Councilwoman Broussard is running late and the property is in her district. The motion carried unanimously.

# **PUBLIC HEARING**

**<u>1515 Graceland Avenue</u>** – The property owner appeared and requested more time to remove the tree. He was originally given 10 days. He needs a lot more time to get this done. Councilwoman White asked if he also owned the homes on that property that have the broken windows. The property owner answered yes. Mayor Piazza stated the issue today is the tree. There are some issues with the brick home with broken window but the main issue that the owner was sent the letter for is the tree. The tree has been down for a long time. Chief Mire stated that he takes care of the cemetery and that tree has been down for two winters. Councilman Touchet stated he would grant him 10 days to take care of the tree. Mayor Piazza stated that if this is not done within 10 days, the Council will take some other kind of action. The tree has been on the ground a long time so the Council is not being unreasonable. Councilman Touchet asked the property owner where he lives. The property owner stated he lives in Lafayette and Houston. Councilman Touchet stated to the property owner that he does not live in this community but other people do. It is very disturbing that the owner is aware of the problems with his property but comes here and asks for more time. That is very unreasonable. The people who have to live in that area are complaining about this. Please be proactive and take care of the entire property. There are broken windows on your property too. Does anyone check on your property? Councilwoman White stated that we have a major problem with absentee landlords. These are people from out of town who don't care about the condition of those properties. The people of Abbeville are suffering because of it. You are making revenue from that rental property and the fact that the tree has been on the ground for two years and you haven't even cared enough to come and start the process of removing it is insulting to the Council and residents of Abbeville. She hopes that

moving forward he will be a more responsible landowner. You can expect more action from this Council if you don't take better care of your property.

**1811 Fairmont Street** – the property owner was present. The property owner reported the property had been cleaned up. Councilman Touchet stated there is still stuff on the right of way. The property owner stated that the trash at the road was never picked up by the grab truck. Councilwoman White spoke with the Vermilion Parish Police Jury Solid Waste department today and the trucks should be in that zone next week. Mayor Piazza asked the property owner to contact their Police Juror regarding the trash pickup.

**1818 Fairmont Street** – The renter of the property appeared to represent the property. She reported the pile of trash has been cleaned up. There is only trash left at the road to be picked up by the Police Jury. Mayor Piazza asked her to contact her police juror too regarding the trash pickup. Councilwoman White asked that the small items be placed in a bag and placed in the trash can instead of being left at the roadside. It cannot be put at the road like that.

**506 S. Guegnon Street** – the property owner appeared to represent the property. He requested 10 days to clean up the property. Councilwoman Broussard stated that if the issue is not taken care of in 10 days, then the City will have to take action.

-01 introduced by Mr. Francis Touchet, Jr. and seconded by Ms. Roslyn White to grant the property owner of 1515 Graceland Avenue 10 days to remove the entire tree from the property. The motion carried unanimously.

-02 introduced by Mr. Francis Touchet, Jr. and seconded by Ms. Roslyn White to grant the property owner of the property located at 1811 Fairmont Street 10 days to clean up the property. The motion carried unanimously.

-03 introduced by Mr. Francis Touchet, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Francis Touchet, Jr. to grant 10 days to clean up the property located at 1818 Fairmont Street. The motion carried unanimously.

-04 introduced by Ms. Terry Broussard and seconded by Mr. Brady Broussard, Jr. to grant the property owner of 506 South Guegnon Street 10 days to clean up the property. The motion carried unanimously.

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

ATTEST:	APPROVE:	
Kathleen S. Faulk	Mark Piazza	
Secretary-Treasurer	Mayor	

Permit & Waiver Request to Add Homeowner Fence on North Side of Homeowner's Property

Homeowner's Property:

509 Fairview St

Abbeville, LA 70510

Permit request is to have fence installed on the north-side of property along W. Oak St.

Waiver request asks for City approval for a portion of the fence to cross the City right of way where homeowner's parking slab abuts W. Oak St. Mr Clay from the City came to property late spring 2021 and established there are no City maintained structures within the aforementioned City right of way.

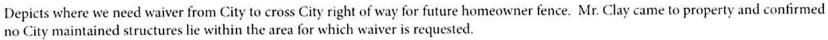
Attached image depiction in yellow reflects the proposed fence addition assuming the waiver can be secured from the City. The image depiction in red reflects where the proposed fence will be on the property line in accordance with setback requirements.

Thank You,

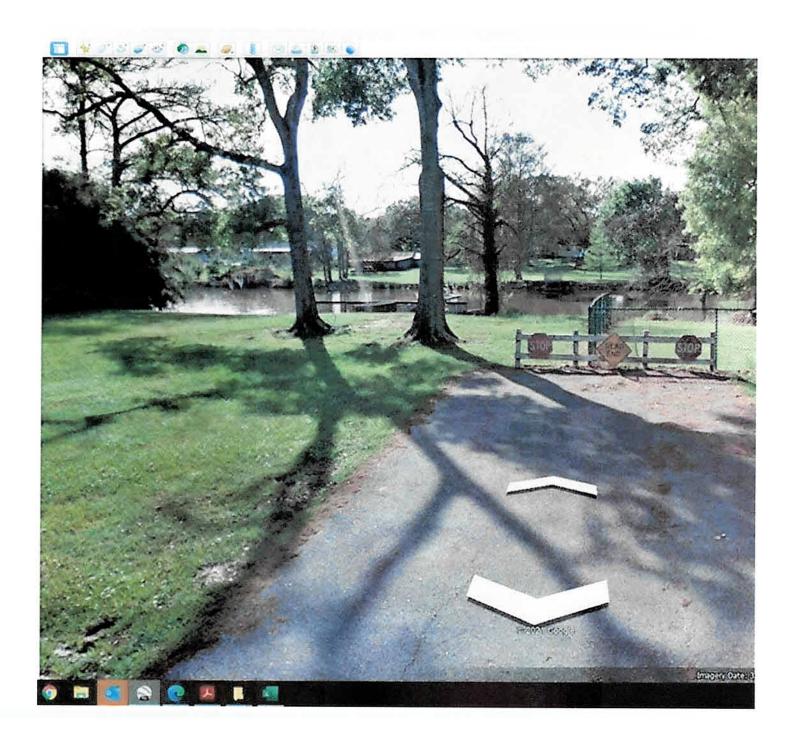
Mark Albertelly







Depicts section of homeowner fence that would lie within homeowner's property line. Permit from City is requested for combined sections for homeowner fence addition.



Quote# ST40606 July 19, 2021 City of Abbeville Stewart Head



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P.O. Box 21415
Waco, Texas 76702-1415
Fax Number (254) 776-8025
versalift-southwest.com
store.versalift-southwest.com

Here is a Quote on repairing Unit# 602, Terex 5TC-55, S/N - 2151155694. Please review Quote. If you have any questions, please contact Lonnie Isgitt @ 254-644-9585. \*NOTE\* Freight Charges are not included in Quote Price. Freight Charges will be added at Billing.

DESCRIPTIONS	Freight Charges will be added at	HOU	IRS	j.	PARTS	
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Lonnie Isgitt		Joe Rangel				
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