

***PROCEEDINGS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF HOMER
STATE OF LOUISIANA***

COUNCIL MEETING FOR OCTOBER 10, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN OF HOMER MAYOR AND COUNCIL WAS CALLED TO ORDER WITH MAYOR Dr. Xanthe Seals presiding on the 10th day of October at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 400 East Main Street, Homer, Louisiana with a quorum present. Before the invocation, there was moment of silence for Milton Lewis Carpenter Jr., brother of employee Herbert Taylor, Ruth Critton, mother-in-law of employee Shenovia Harris, and Keldrick Dunn, son of employee Michael Dunn, Sr. The invocation and pledge were done in unison.

ROLL CALL

On roll call, the following were present:

Mayor Dr. Xanthe Y. Seals
District 1, Councilman Alonzo Mitchell
District 2, Councilman Timothy Ivory
District 3, Councilman Jimmy Hand
District 4, Councilwoman Verletha Adams
District 5, Councilman Sammy Kirk

Administrative Staff/Others Present:

Town Attorney, Lori Graham
Town Clerk, Shenika Wright
Van McDaniel, Police Chief
Public Works Superintendent-Water & Sewer, Vivian Moffett
Public Works Superintendent-Street & Sidewalk, Derrick Burns

Members Absent:

Shenovia Harris, Town Treasurer
Guardian Journal, Official Journal

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING DATED SEPTEMBER 11, 2023

Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve minutes for regular meeting held September 11, 2023. Motion was made by Councilman Jimmy Hand and seconded by Councilman Timothy Ivory. Minutes from regular meeting September 11, 2023 were unanimously approved by council.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: NONE

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

APPROVE RESOLUTION #23-006-SUBMISSION OF THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN (CIP) TO LA DOTD AVIATION FOR FY 2024-2029.

With no further discussion, Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve Resolution #23-006-Submission of the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) to LA DOTD Aviation for FY 2024-2029. Motion was made by Councilman Jimmy Hand and seconded by Councilman Timothy Ivory. Yays-5 (Mitchell, Kirk, Hand, Adams, Kirk) Nays-0 Abstain-0 Absent-0 Motion Pass

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor's Office

Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals stated the upcoming projects and the ideas from the Board of Selectmen were forthcoming. She stated the 3rd annual Legend Fest will be October 21 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The Halloween/Fall event, the Trunk-A-Treat will be October 31 from 5-8 p.m. The Christmas Festival is back and will be December 2. TBA She stated Gonzales celebrated six years of business in the Town of Homer.

Council

Councilman Alonzo Mitchell stated the town is trending in the right direction and asked for continued support from the citizens.

Councilman Timothy Ivory stated he had a complaint, but with Vivian Moffett quick action the problem was resolved.

Councilwoman Verletha Adams thanked Derrick Burns and Vivian Moffett for always being available when she needs them to do anything throughout the town.

Councilman Sammy Kirk had budgetary and liability concerns. He also stated for the Mayor and Board of Selectmen to suggest adopting a Municipal Vehicle Use Policy going into next year.

Airport

Mr. Jerry Witton stated there will be an inspection at the airport on October 24, 2023.

Recreation

Terry Willis gave an update on youth football. There were games played last Saturday and it was a great turnout. To keep up with updates and games schedule you can go to the homer recs & park page. Brittany McLendon was in attendance and spoke on the ideas of getting dixie league back. She and Terry Willis will be working together to get the ball rolling. More details are forthcoming.

Financials

Budgetary Meeting will be held October 18th and 25th at 4:30 p.m.

Main Street

Councilman Jimmy Hand gave update on Main Street.

ADJOURN

There being no other matters present before the Mayor and Board of Selectmen with a motion made by Councilman Jimmy Hand and seconded by Councilman Timothy Ivory. Motion passed and the meeting was adjourned. (5) Ayes- (0) Nays- (0) Abstain- (0) Absent

I, SHENIKA WRIGHT, CLERK, TOWN OF HOMER, DO CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE CONSTITUTES A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE MEETING MINUTES HELD BETWEEN THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF SELECTMEN OF THE TOWN OF HOMER, THIS 10th DAY OF OCTOBER 2023, IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, HOMER, LOUISIANA.

TOWN CLERK, TOWN OF HOMER, HOMER, LA