# PROCEEDINGS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF HOMER STATE OF LOUISIANA

### **COUNCIL MEETING FOR NOVEMBER 18, 2019**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN OF HOMER MAYOR AND COUNCIL WAS CALLED TO ORDER WITH MAYOR Dr. Xanthe Y. Seals presiding on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of November 2019 at 6:06 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 400 East Main Street, Homer, Louisiana with a quorum present. Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals gave Invocation and Councilwoman Patricia Jenkins led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **ROLL CALL**

### On roll call, the following were present:

Mayor Dr. Xanthe Y. Seals

District 1, Councilwoman Linda Hardaway

District 2, Councilman Johnny West

District 3, Councilman Keldron Johnston

District 4, Councilman Brandon Rich

District 5, Councilwoman Patricia Jenkins

### **Administrative Staff/Others Present:**

Town Clerk, Shenika Wright
Town Treasurer, Shenovia Harris
Public Works Superintendent-Street, Lee Wells
Steven Koskie, Financial Consultant
Official Journal, Guardian Journal

### **Members Absent:**

City Attorney, Lori Graham Public Works Dept./Water & Sewer, Vivian Moffett

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING DATED OCTOBER 14, 2019

Minutes from regular meeting October 14, 2019 were unanimously approved by council.

Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to amend the agenda to add resolution to end Town of Homer's relationship with the Claiborne Parish Police Jury on building permits/inspector and a resolution to enter into contract with Institute for Building Technology and Safety. Motion was

made by Councilwoman Patricia Jenkins and seconded by Councilman Johnny West. Ayes-3 (Hardaway, West, Jenkins) Nays-2 (Johnston, Rich) Abstain (0), Absent (0) Motion Passes

**PUBLIC COMMENTS: NONE** 

**OLD BUSINESS: NONE** 

Councilman Brandon Rich questioned the date change for the November meeting.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

## APPROVE MAINTENANCE RENEWAL CONTRACT WITH TAYLOR POWER SYSTEMS-CITY OF HOMER AIRPORT AND TOWN OF HOMER WATER PLANT.

Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve maintenance renewal contract with Taylor Power Systems. Motion was made by Councilwoman Patricia Jenkins and seconded by Councilwoman Linda Hardaway. Ayes-4 (Hardaway, West, Johnston, Jenkins) Nays-1 (Rich), Abstain-0, Absent-0 Motion Passes

## APPROVE RESOLUTION #19-019-LGAP 2019-2020 FUNDING TO PURCHASE SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS FOR TOWN OF HOMER.

Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve Resolution #19-019-LGAP 2019-2020 funding to purchase surveillance cameras for Town of Homer. Councilman Johnny West made a motion and was seconded by Councilwoman Linda Hardaway. Ayes-5 (Hardaway, West, Johnston, Rich, Jenkins) Nays-0, Abstain-0, Absent-0 Motion Passes

## **APPROVE RESOLUTION #19-020-CWEF 2019-2020 FUNDING FOR UP TO \$100,000.00.**

Mayor Dr Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve Resolution #19-020-CWEF 2019-2020 Funding for up to \$100,000.00. Motion was made by Councilman Brandon Rich and seconded by Councilwoman Patricia Jenkins. Ayes-5 (Hardaway, West, Johnston, Rich, Jenkins) Nays-0, Abstain-0, Absent-0 Motion Passes

SITE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM MANAGER, DANIEL MICHEL, GAVE PRESENTATION ON LOUISIANA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (LED) CERTIFIED SITES PROGRAM.

# APPROVE RESOLUTION #19-021-TO PARTICIPATE IN LOUISIANA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (LED) CERTIFIED SITES PROGRAM.

Mayor Dr Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve Resolution #19-021-to participate in LED Certified Sites Program. Motion was made by Councilman Brandon Rich and

seconded by Councilwoman Patricia Jenkins. Ayes-5 (Hardaway, West, Johnston, Rich, Jenkins) Nays-0, Abstain-0, Absent-0 Motion Passes

## APPROVE RESOLUTION TO END RELATIONSHIP WITH CLAIBORNE PARISH POLICE JURY ON BUILDING PERMITS/INSPECTOR.

Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve resolution to end relationship with Claiborne Parish Police Jury on building permits/inspector. Motion was made by Councilman Johnny West and seconded by Councilwoman Linda Hardaway. Ayes-5 (Hardaway, West, Johnston, Rich, Jenkins), Nays-0, Abstain-0, Absent-0 Motion Passes

## APPROVE RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH INSTITUE FOR BUILDING TECHNOLOGY AND SAFETY.

Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to enter into contract for building permits with Institute for Building Technology and Safety. Motion was made by Councilwoman Linda Hardaway and seconded by Councilwoman Linda Hardaway. Ayes-5 (Hardaway, West, Johnston, Rich, Jenkins), Nays-0, Abstain-0, Absent-0

### MAYOR'S REPORT

### Council

Councilwoman Linda Hardaway wanted to thank everyone who took part in the First Annual Harvest Fest.

Councilman Brandon Rich asked when a meeting would be set to get budget for the next year ready.

### Airport

Airport Manager, Jerry Witton, gave update on repairs that have been done and that need to be done.

### Recreation

Recreation Director Terry Willis stated that the football league is nearing to an end. The 7/8 football team will play in Vivian, LA on November 23 in the superbowl game. He's getting preparation ready for the upcoming activities. He's been in contact with Coach Kyle to get fields at Armory Park ready for upcoming baseball season.

### Grants

Gene Coleman gave an update on Grant and Long Range Planning.

### **Financial**

Steven Koskie is in preparation of getting budget ready for 2020.

### **Police**

### **Code Enforcement**

Michael Dunn gave update from September to November 14. A total of 96 cars have been ticketed, 78 are in compliance and 18 are outstanding.

### **Main Street**

Jimmy Hand expressed the nice turnout from the First Annual Harvest Festival. He also gave information on upcoming events. Small Business is Saturday, November 30, Gurney Tuesday, December 3, and Grand Opening of Park, December 7.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

none

### **ADJOURN**

There being no other matters present before the Mayor and Board of Selectmen with a motion made by Councilwoman Patricia Jenkins and seconded by Councilwoman Linda Hardaway. Motion was passed and the meeting was adjourned. Ayes-5 (Hardaway, West, Johnston, Rich, Jenkins) Nays-0 Abstain-0 Absent-0

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 18<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2019, IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, HOMER, LOUISIANA.

TOWN CLERK, TOWN OF HOMER, HOMER, LA