

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

COUNCIL MEETING FOR FEBRUARY 12, 2024

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 12th day of February at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 400 East Main Street, Homer, Louisiana with a quorum present. The invocation and pledge were done in unison.

ROLL CALL

On roll call, the following were present:

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

Administrative Staff/Others Present:

Town Attorney, Lori Graham (arrived at 6:06 p.m.)
Town Clerk, Shenika Wright
Public Works Superintendent-Water & Sewer, Vivian Moffett
Public Works Superintendent-Street & Sidewalk, Derrick Burns
Guardian Journal, Official Journal

Members Absent:

Shenovia Harris, Town Treasurer

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING DATED JANUARY 8, 2024

Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve minutes for regular meeting held January 8, 2024. Motion was made by Councilman Jimmy Hand and seconded by Councilwoman Verletha Adams. Minutes from regular meeting January 8, 2024 were unanimously approved by council.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Linda Mozeke who resides at 912 Howard St stated to the Mayor and the Board of Selectmen about a dog issue next to her residence. She stated it is about 10 dogs and they are starting to interrupt her peace in her own home and would like the Town to do something about the problem. There is an ordinance in effect to dog leash, but not on how many a person can have that includes the excessive noise. Mayor and the Board of Selectmen response was that they will look into how the matter can be resolved.

Jack Hightower thanked everyone who had a hand in making the Legends Festival a success. He stated that 49% of the guests for the Legends Festival were first time visitors. He also stated the first planning meeting for the upcoming Legends Festival will be February 27, 5:30 p.m. at the Claiborne Parish Library. The upcoming festival is set for October 19.

Alma Wade had questions regarding the increase in the water bill at 509 South Main Street.

David Nokes had questions about dates and fees on bills.

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

APPROVE LOW/HIGH VOLUME ALCOHOL BEVERAGE PERMIT 2024 FOR GONZALEZ MEXICAN RESTAURANT AT 512 NORTH MAIN STREET.

After discussion, Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve low/high volume alcohol beverage permit 2024 for Gonzalez Mexican Restaurant at 512 North Main Street.

Motion was made by Councilman Sammy Kirk and seconded by Councilwoman Verletha Adams. 4-Yays (Mitchell, Hand, Adams, Kirk) Nays-0 Abstain-0 Absent-0 Motion Passes

APPROVE LOW/HIGH VOLUME ALCOHOL BEVERAGE PERMIT 2024 FOR AFAQ 6 AT 24605 HIGHWAY 2.

With no further discussion, Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve low/high volume alcohol permit 2024 for AFAQ 6 at 24605 Highway 2. Motion was made by Councilman Jimmy Hand and seconded by Councilman Alonzo Mitchell. 4-Yays (Mitchell, Hand, Adams, Kirk) Nays-0 Abstain-0 Absent-0 Motion Passes

APPROVE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE PERMIT FOR VINCENT WILLIAMS- RETIREMENT PARTY EVENT TO BE HELD MARCH 2, 2024.

After discussion, Mayor Dr. Xanthe entertained a motion to approve alcoholic beverage permit for Vincent Williams retirement part-event to be held March 2, 2024. Motion was made by Councilwoman Verletha Adams and seconded by Councilman Jimmy Hand. 4-Yays (Mitchell, Hand, Adams, Kirk) Nays-0 Abstain-0 Absent-0 Motion Passes

APPROVE 2024 RENEWAL CONTRACT FOR ADKINS PEST CONTROL.

After discussion, Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve 2024 renewal contract for Adkins Pest Control. Motion was made by Councilman Jimmy Hand and seconded by Councilwoman Verletha Adams. 4-Yays (Mitchell, Hand, Adams, Kirk) Nays-0 Abstain-0 Absent-0 Motion Passes

APPROVE MAINTENANCE RENEWAL CONTRACT WITH TAYLOR SUDDEN SERVICES AT HOMER WATER PLANT: EQUIPMENT KOHLER 180REOZJD, SERIAL #2248543.

With no further discussion, Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve maintenance renewal contract with Taylor Sudden Services at Homer Water Plant: Equipment Kohler 180REOZJD, Serial #2248543. Motion was made by Councilman Jimmy Hand and seconded by Councilwoman Verletha Adams. 4-Yays (Mitchell, Hand, Adams, Kirk) Nays-0 Abstain-0 Absent-0 Motion Passes

APPROVE MAINTENANCE RENEWAL CONTRACT WITH TAYLOR SUDDEN SERVICES AT HOMER AIRPORT: EQUIPMENT BALDOR IDLC50-3JU, SERIAL #P1103140003.

With no further discussion, Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve maintenance renewal contract with Taylor Sudden Services at Homer Airport: Equipment Baldor IDLC50-3JU, Serial #P1103140003. Motion was made by Councilman Sammy Kirk and seconded by Councilwoman Verletha Adams. 4-Yays (Mitchell, Hand, Adams, Kirk) Nays-0 Abstain-0 Absent-0 Motion Passes

MAYOR'S REPORT

Council

Councilman Alonzo Mitchell and Councilman Jimmy Hand stated he was happy to see so many citizens out and glad to have the mayor back.

Councilwoman Verletha Adams applauded Ms. Linda Mozeke for coming to address her concerns on the noise from neighbor dogs. She also encouraged any citizen, and not just in her district, to please give her a call if they have any concerns about anything in the Town of Homer. Councilman Sammy Kirk also stated if it's anything he can help with please give him a call.

Public Works

Vivian Moffett stated how everything held together during the ice storm.

Derrick Burns stated that for the next couple weeks they would be cleaning out culverts and right aways.

Airport

Jerry Whitton stated the balance and bulbs have been replaced at the airport.

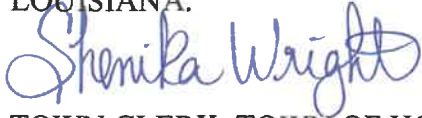
Recreation

Terry Willis gave an update on upcoming recreation events. The mayor also stated that Mrs. Brittany McLendon is getting the start of Dixie League going and the town would help wherever they are needed.

ADJOURN

There being no other matters present before the Mayor and Board of Selectmen with a motion made by Councilman Jimmy Hand and seconded Councilwoman Verletha Adams. Motion passed and the meeting was adjourned. (4) 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 12th DAY OF FEBRUARY 2024, IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, HOMER,
LOUISIANA.



TOWN CLERK, TOWN OF HOMER, HOMER, LA