

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

COUNCIL MEETING FOR APRIL 11, 2022

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 11th day of April 2022 at 6:01 p.m. in the City Hall Auditorium, 400 East Main Street, Homer, Louisiana with a quorum present. Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals gave Invocation and 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 4, Councilwoman Verletha Adams
District 5, Mayor Pro Tem, Councilwoman Patricia Jenkins

Administrative Staff/Others Present:

Town Clerk, Shenika Wright
Town Attorney, Lori Graham
Police Chief, Van McDaniel
Public Works Superintendent-Street & Sidewalk, Derrick Burns
Official Journal, Guardian Journal

Members Absent:

District 3, Councilman Keldron Johnston
Town Treasurer, Shenovia Harris
Public Works Superintendent-Water & Sewer, Vivian Moffett

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING DATED MARCH 14, 2022.

Minutes from regular meeting March 14, 2022 were unanimously approved by council.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: NONE

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

APPROVE RESOLUTION #22-002-A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING AN INDIVIDUAL FROM TOWN OF HOMER TO ACT ON BEHALF OF TOWN OF HOMER, IN ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO THIS PROJECT, INCLUDING CERTIFYING REQUESTS FOR STATE DISBURSEMENTS. THIS INDIVIDUAL MUST BE AN OFFICIAL OF TOWN OF HOMER, AND NOT A CONTRACTED CONSULTANT. THIS RESOLUTION IS A PREREQUISITE FOR THE DISBURSEMENT OF STATE FUNDS.

With no further discussion, Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve Resolution #22-002-A Resolution designating an individual from Town of Homer, to act on behalf of Town of Homer, in all matters pertaining to this project, including certifying requests for State disbursements. This individual must be an official of Town of Homer, and not a contracted consultant. This resolution is a prerequisite for the disbursement of State funds. Motion was made by Councilwoman Patricia Jenkins and seconded by Councilwoman Verletha Adams. 4-Yays (Hardaway, West, Adams, Jenkins) 0-Nays 0-Abstain, 1-Absent (Johnston) Motion Passes

APPROVE RESOLUTION #22-003-LDEQ PROPOSED MUNICIPAL WATER POLLUTION PREVENTION RESOLUTION TO INDICATE TO DEQ THAT NECESSARY ACTIONS WILL BE TAKEN TO MAINTAIN COMPLIANCE AND PREVENT EFFLUENT VIOLATIONS.

After discussions, Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to table Resolution #22-003. LDEQ Proposed Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Resolution to indicate to DEQ that necessary actions will be taken to maintain compliance and prevent effluent violations. Motion was made by Councilman Johnny West and seconded by Councilwoman Patricia Jenkins. 4-Yays (Hardaway, West, Adams, Jenkins) 0-Nays 0-Abstain, 1-Absent (Johnston) Motion Passes

APPROVE RESOLUTION #22-004-LGAP 2022-2023 FUNDING TO PURCHASE SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS FOR TOWN OF HOMER.

With no further discussion, Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve Resolution #22-004-LGAP 2022-2023 Funding to Purchase Surveillance Cameras for Town of Homer, Motion was made by Councilwoman Linda Hardaway and seconded by Councilman Johnny West. 4-Yays (Hardaway, West, Adams, Jenkins) 0-Nays 0-Abstain, 1-Absent (Johnston) Motion Passes

APPROVE RESOLUTION #22-002-CWEF 2022-2023 FUNDING FOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS AT CAVER WELL.

After discussion, Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve Resolution #22-002-CWEF 2022-2023 Funding for Maintenance and Repairs at Caver Well. Motion was made by Councilman Johnny West and seconded by Councilwoman Linda Hardaway. 4-Yays (Hardaway, West, Adams, Jenkins) 0-Nays 0-Abstain, 1-Absent (Johnston) Motion Passes

INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #22-001-AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING BOARD OF SELECTMEN DISTRICTS IN AND FOR THE TOWN OF HOMER, LOUISIANA.

Ordinance #22-001 was only introduced at the meeting.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor's Office

Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals thanked Public Works Street Department on the wonderful job they did to get things together for Clean City Contest. Dr. Xanthe Seals also thanked Councilwoman Patricia Jenkins for getting the setup ready for the judges. Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals mentioned that the Town of Homer won the district for Category E. State judging will be May 5 and Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals is encouraging everyone to continue to keep yards cleaned. National Day of Prayer will also be May 5 at 14:45 at the Alabama Kinnebrew Park. Mortgage and Muffin will be held May 7 from 10 a.m.-11 a.m. Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals announced details of the new business that is coming to Town of Homer besides Brookshires. She also announced about the Walk with a Cross starting at Linder Motor Lodge on April 15, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

Council

Council members thanked Public Works Street Department for a job well done on keeping the Town cleaned.

Airport

Jerry Whitton stated in about two weeks the lawn will need mowing.

Recreation

Terry Willis gave information on the upcoming program for little league football.

Financials

Update on financials was giving by LaCasha Oyara.

Police

Chief Van McDaniel stated concerns about toy guns that kids have in their possession. Some are painting the guns black and they look like real guns. He stated for the parents to please speak with your child if they have them and have painted them.

Main Street

Jimmy Hand thanked Derrick Burns and the street department for getting the ditch cleaned out in front of his home. He also stated Town of Homer was selected Main Street of the Year at the conference.

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 Verletha Adams. Motion was passed and the meeting was adjourned. (4) Ayes- (0) Nays- (0) Abstain- (1) 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 11th DAY OF APRIL 2022, IN TOWN HALL, HOMER, LOUISIANA.

TOWN CLERK, TOWN OF HOMER, HOMER, LA