

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

COUNCIL MEETING FOR MAY 13, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN OF HOMER MAYOR AND COUNCIL WAS CALLED TO ORDER WITH MAYOR Xanthe Y. Seals presiding on the 13th day of May, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 400 East Main Street, Homer, Louisiana with a quorum present. Councilman Brandon Rich gave Invocation and Councilwoman Patricia Jenkins led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

On roll call, the following were present:

Mayor Xanthe Y. Seals
District 1, Linda Hardaway
District 2, Johnny West
District 3, Keldron Johnston
District 4, Brandon Rich
District 5, Patricia Jenkins

Administrative Staff/Others Present:

City Attorney, Lori Graham
Town Clerk, Shenika Wright
Police Chief, Elvan McDaniel
Town Treasurer, Shenovia Harris
Public Works Superintendent-Street, Lee Wells
Public Works Superintendent-Water & Sewer, Vivian Moffett
Financial Consultant, Steven Koskie
Official Journal, Guardian Journal

Members Absent:

Timothy Ivory, Compliance Clerk

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING DATED APRIL 8, 2019

Minutes from regular meeting April 8, 2019 were unanimously approved by council.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR SPECIAL CALL MEETING DATED APRIL 18, 2019

Minutes from special call meeting April 18, 2019 were unanimously approved by council.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

ADOPT THE MILLAGE RATE OF 8.45 MILLS FOR TAX YEAR 2019-RESOLUTION #19-012

Mayor Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to adopt the millage rate of 8.45 mills for tax year 2019-Resolution #19-012. Motion was made by Councilman Keldron Johnston and seconded by Councilman Brandon Rich. Motion passed unanimously Ayes-5 Nays-0 Abstain-0 Absent-0

APPROVE RESOLUTION #19-013-TO AUTHORIZE THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE LOUISIANA COMPLIANCE QUESTIONNAIRE FOR AUDIT FY ENDING 2018

Mayor Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve Resolution #19-013. Motion was made by Councilman Brandon Rich and seconded by Councilman Keldron Johnston. Motion was passed unanimously. Ayes-5 Nays-0 Abstain-0 Absent-0

APPROVE RESOLUTION #19-014-AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ON BEHALF AND IN THE NAME OF THE TOWN OF HOMER A CONTRACT FOR LOUISIANA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ENGINEERING SERVICES

Mayor Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve Resolution #19-014. Motion was made by Councilman Brandon Rich and seconded by Councilman Johnny West. Motion was passed unanimously. Ayes-5 Nays-0 Abstain-0 Absent-0

APPROVE RESOLUTION 19-015 – AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ON BEHALF AND IN THE NAME OF THE TOWN OF HOMER CONTRACT FOR LOUISIANA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Mayor Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve Resolution #19-015. Motion was made by Councilman Brandon Rich and seconded by Councilwoman Patricia Jenkins. Motion passed unanimously. Ayes-5 Nays-0 Abstain-0 Absent-0

**APPROVE RESOLUTION #19-016-THE LPS-EASI MUNICIPAL SURPLUS
PROPERTY PROGRAM MODEL RESOLUTION**

Mayor Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve Resolution #19-016. Motion was made by Councilman Brandon Rich and seconded by Councilman Keldron Johnston. Ayes-5 Nays-0 Abstain-0 Absent-0

APPROVE ORDINANCE #19-001-DIVISION OF CODE ENFORCEMENT/PROPERTY STANDARDS

Mayor Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve Ordinance #19-001. Motion was made by Councilwoman Patricia Jenkins and seconded by Councilwoman Linda Hardaway. Motion passed unanimously. Ayes-5 Nays-0 Abstain-0 Absent-0

MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor’s Office

Mayor Xanthe Seals read a letter addressed to Mayor and Council from Ford Museum about renovation getting ready to start, and requested for town to get a dumpster placed in parking lot.

Mayor Xanthe Seals discussed program that LA Technical College will be having for ages 16-24 that don’t have a high school diploma and need employment. Signup will be May 20th at Homer City Hall.

Mayor Xanthe Seals discussed Northern Exposure and Day at the Capital that she and a few council members attended.

Council

Councilwoman Linda Hardaway stated what a great experience it was to attend Northern Exposure and Day at the Capital. Councilwoman Patricia Jenkins also stated it was very informative information that was received at the Northern Exposure and Day at the Capital.

Public Works

None

Recreation

Estimate of 3 weeks before completion at Jaycee Park.

Grants

Mr. Gene Coleman gave update on grant reports.

Financial

Steven Koskie gave monthly detail report on financial statements.

Police

Chief Elan McDaniel requested the Mayor and Board or Selectman look into rerouting 18 wheelers, so they could avoid coming around Town Square.

Main Street

None.

Mayor Seals entertained a motion to amend budget on Item 7 on the agenda. Motion was made by Councilman Johnny West and seconded by Councilman Brandon Rich. Ayes (5) Nays (0) Motion was passed unanimously

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 unanimously and the meeting was adjourned. Ayes-5 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 13TH DAY OF MAY, 2019, IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, HOMER, LOUISIANA.

TOWN CLERK, TOWN OF HOMER, HOMER, LA