

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

**COUNCIL MEETING FOR MAY 9, 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 9<sup>th</sup> day of May 2022 at 6:00 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 2, Councilman Johnny West  
District 3, Councilman Keldron Johnston  
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  
Town Treasurer, Shenovia Harris  
Public Works Superintendent-Water & Sewer, Vivian Moffett  
Public Works Superintendent-Street & Sidewalk, Derrick Burns  
Official Journal, Guardian Journal

**Members Absent:**

District 1, Councilwoman Linda Hardaway

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING DATED MAY 9, 2022.**

Minutes from regular meeting May 9, 2022 were unanimously approved by council.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Mrs. Lewis who resides at 902 North Main Street, Homer, LA came before the Mayor and Council members with concerns with the property next door to her home. Mrs. Lewis stated the abandonment of the property is a hazard and the problem needed to be taken care of.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

### **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.**

With Resolution #22-003 being tabled at last meeting, there were no discussions and Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to 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. Motion was made by Councilman Johnny West and seconded by Councilwoman Patricia Jenkins. 4-Yays (West, Johnston, Adams, Jenkins) 0-Nays 0-Abstain, 1-Absent (Hardaway) Motion Passes

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

### **INTRODUCE ORDINANCE#22-002-AN ORDINANCE TO ADD FEES FOR ALL VIOLATORS FOR THE LICENSES/TAGS AND LEASH LAW OF DOGS AND CATS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF HOMER, LOUISIANA, CLAIBORNE PARISH.**

Ordinance #22-002 was only introduced at the meeting.

### **APPROVE COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN SUSTAINABILITY PARTNERS AND THE TOWN OF HOMER.**

Presentation and discussion were presented by Eric Street and Bert Carson with Sustainability Partners. After discussion Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between Sustainability Partners and the Town of Homer. Motion was made by Councilwoman Patricia Jenkins and seconded by Councilwoman Verletha Adams. 4-Yays (West, Johnston, Adams, Jenkins) 0-Nays 0-Abstain, 1-Absent (Hardaway) Motion Passes

### **APPROVE RESOLUTION #22-004-RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN NOTICE TO PROCEED WITH SUSTAINABILITY PARTNERS.**

After discussion Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to table Approving Resolution #22-004. Motion was made by Councilman Johnny West and seconded by Councilwoman Patricia Jenkins. 4-Yays (West, Johnston, Adams, Jenkins) 0-Nays 0-Abstain, 1-Absent (Hardaway) Motion Passes

## **MAYOR'S REPORT**

### **Mayor's Office**

Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals gave an update on Love the Boot that was held April 30. The volunteers collected 117 bags of trash. Love the Boot will be every 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month. Meet up time will be 8:30 at Homer City Hall. She also discussed details on passed events, National Day of Prayer, Clean City contest for state judges, and Muffin & Mortgage.

### **Council**

Councilman Keldron Johnston expressed concerns about potholes on West Fourth and Bolling Drive.

Councilwoman Verletha Adams expressed concerns about children pulling basketball goals in the streets playing ball in the road. She also asked was there a curfew in place for the youth, which Chief McDaniel assured her it was a curfew in place. Sunday-Thursday at 11:00 p.m. and Friday-Saturday at midnight. Questions were also asked about litter law.

Councilwoman Patricia Jenkins thanked everyone who participated with Love the Boot and Clean City Contest cleanup.

### **Airport**

Jerry Whitton stated the roof at the Airport has been finished.

### **Police**

Chief Van McDaniel presented Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals and the Council Members with the Policy and Procedures for Dispatchers for the Police Department. Chief McDaniel requested it be added to next month agenda for approval.

### **ADJOURN**

There being no other matters present before the Mayor and Board of Selectmen with a motion made by Councilman Johnny West and seconded by Councilman Keldron Johnston. 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 9<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MAY 2022, IN TOWN HALL, HOMER, LOUISIANA.

TOWN CLERK, TOWN OF HOMER, HOMER, LA