

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

**COUNCIL MEETING FOR JULY 12, 2021**

**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 12<sup>th</sup> day of July 2021 at 6:02 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 3, Councilman Keldron Johnston  
District 4, Councilwoman Verletha Adams  
District 5, Mayor Pro Tem, Councilwoman Patricia Jenkins

**Administrative Staff/Others Present:**

Town Attorney, Lori Graham  
Town Clerk, Shenika Wright  
Police Chief, Van McDaniel  
Town Treasurer, Shenovia Harris  
Public Works Superintendent-Street & Sidewalk, Lee Wells  
Official Journal, Guardian Journal

**Members Absent:**

District 2, Councilman Johnny West  
Public Works Superintendent-Water & Sewer, Vivian Moffett

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING DATED MAY 10, 2021.**

Minutes from regular meeting May 10, 2021 were unanimously approved by council.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Linda Mozeke who resides at 912 Howard Street questioned why agenda items 2 and 3 were being surplus. Police Chief McDaniel explained to her that the two crown vics were not operable and the surplus equipment items were in the back shed taking up space and were not

being used. She also asked why there was never any old business on the agenda to discuss. Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals explained to her that there haven't been any old business and old business would occur if an item were tabled from the previous meeting.

David Nokes owner of Homer Seafood asked about a letter he received regarding warranty on water lines on your property. Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals explained to him the process and did let him know it was optional. Ordinance #20-007 was approved on November 9, 2020, that gives all the details about the agreement.

Willie Burns who resides at 211 Oil Mill Street had concerns about potholes throughout the town's city streets. Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals explained to him that damage that was done during laying the new lines would be repaired. She also told him to call the office to report any potholes or damage to the streets that the town may not be aware of.

### **OLD BUSINESS: NONE**

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### **APPROVE RECOMMENDATION FOR OFFICIAL JOURNAL FOR THE TOWN OF HOMER.**

Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve Guardian Journal for the official journal for the Town of Homer. Motion was made by Councilwoman Patricia Jenkins and seconded by Councilwoman Verletha Adams. (4) Yays-Hardaway, Johnston, Adams, Jenkins, (0) Nays, (0) Abstain, (1) Absent-West Motion Passes

#### **DECLARATION OF SURPLUS VEHICLE:**

**2010 CROWN VIC-VIN #:2FABPTBV6BX137556**

**2011 CROWN VIC-VIN #:2FABP7BV4BX137555**

Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to declare surplus of vehicle: 2010 Crown Vic-VIN #: 2FABPTBV6BX137566 and 2011 Crown Vic-VIN #: 2FABP7BV4BX137555. Motion was made by Councilman Keldron Johnston and seconded by Councilwoman Verletha Adams. (4) Yays-Hardaway, Johnston, Adams, Jenkins, (0) Nays, (0) Abstain, (1) Absent-West Motion Passes

#### **DECLARATION OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT-POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to declare surplus of equipment. Motion was made by Councilwoman Linda Hardaway and seconded by Councilwoman Patricia Jenkins. (4) Yays-Hardaway, Johnston, Adams, Jenkins, (0) Nays, (0) Abstain, (1) Absent-West Motion Passes

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

#### **Mayor's Office**

Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals gave information on HB45 Funds and the American Rescue Plan Act.

## **Council**

Councilwoman Linda Hardaway asked will there be a back-to-school bash? Dr. Xanthe Seals said it would, but there will be protocols because of COVID-19.

Councilman Keldron Johnston questioned why the basketball goals have not been placed at Joe Michael Park yet?

## **Airport**

Airport Manager, Jerry Whitton stated that Barksdale and LADOTD will be at the airport for a survey on next week.

## **Recreation**

Terry Willis gave details on upcoming events that will take place at the Mayfield Park. He stated there will be a soccer camp July 16-17. The football camp is scheduled for July 23-24 with the help of Louis Grant from Every Child Counts. The basketball 3 on 3 showcase is scheduled for July 24 and hosted by Shirmane Thomas. Summer Cool Down is set for July 31 and will be featuring many blues artists.

## **Financial**

Financials update was given by LaCasha Oyara.

## **ADJOURN**

There being no other matters present before the Mayor and Board of Selectmen with a motion made by Councilman Keldron Johnston and seconded by Councilwoman Patricia Jenkins.

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 12<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JULY 2021, IN TOWN HALL, HOMER, LOUISIANA.

TOWN CLERK, TOWN OF HOMER, HOMER, LA