# REGULAR MEETING DECEMBER 15, 2023 6:30 P.M.

The Mayor and Councilmen of the Town of Jean Lafitte met in a Regular Meeting with the following members present: Mayor Kerner Jr. Councilman Bartholomew, Councilman Creppel, Councilman Kerner Jr. and Councilman Smith.

Absent: Councilman Darda. Mayor Kerner Jr. presided calling the meeting to order at 6:38 p.m. asking everyone to rise and pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Budget to Actual Comparisons were distributed prior to the meeting to the Mayor and Council.

On a motion by Councilman Bartholomew and seconded by Councilman Creppel the following was offered:

A motion to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 15, 2023.

YEAS: 4

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1

Chief of Police Marcell Rodriguez presented a police department report.

Mayor Kerner Jr. commended Calvin Guidry and Joey Martin Jr. for their hard work on the Christmas Lighting at Town Hall. Mayor Kerner also gave an update on the status of projects in the town.

# **RESOLUTION #2318**

On a motion by Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Creppel the following resolution was adopted:

A resolution authorizing Jefferson Parish to demolish the following additional list of properties in the Town of Jean Lafitte.

WHEREAS, On August 29, 2022 the Town of Jean Lafitte was in the destructive path of Hurricane Ida,

WHEREAS, Many structures were harmed or destroyed by the wind, rain and flood water from Hurricane Ida,

WHEREAS, Thompson and Associates were hired by Jefferson Parish to assess damaged properties from Hurricane Ida,

WHEREAS, the following properties have been identified for demolition by Thompson and Associates,

WHEREAS, property owners have agreed and signed to have these properties demolished,

516 A Jean Lafitte Blvd. 4935 Oleander Street 346 Jean Lafitte Blvd. 553 Lester Street 1996 Jean Lafitte Blvd. 5133 Touchard Lane 4945 Matherne Street 528 Lester Street 4952 Gloria Drive

YEAS: 4 Councilman Bartholomew Councilman Creppel Councilman Kerner, Jr. Councilman Smith

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1 Councilman Darda

### **RESOLUTION #2319**

On a motion by Councilman Kerner Jr. and seconded by Councilman Bartholomew the following resolution was adopted:

A resolution approving the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for July 2022 through June 2023.

SECTION 1. Adoption of the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire is hereby granted.

**SECTION 2.** The Mayor of the Town of Jean Lafitte is hereby authorized to sign and approve any and all documents necessary to give full force and effect to this resolution.

YEAS: 4

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1

Councilman Bartholomew Councilman Creppel

Councilman Kerner, Jr.

Councilman Smith

Councilman Darda

## **RESOLUTION #2320**

On a motion by Councilman Creppel and seconded by Councilman Kerner Jr. the following resolution was adopted:

A resolution approving Change Order #1 for the Lafitte Warehouse in the amount of \$5,206.06 and approving Change Order #2 in the amount of \$9,853.04 increasing the contract from \$897,000 to \$912,059.10.

WHEREAS, Change Order #1 is for asphalt removal and concrete place.

WHEREAS, Change Order #2 is for additional paving at existing building,

WHEREAS, Tuna Construction is the contractor of this project,

WHEREAS, Mayor Timothy Kerner, Jr. has permission to sign any documents pertaining to this resolution,

YEAS: 4

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1

Councilman Bartholomew

Councilman Creppel Councilman Kerner, Jr.

Councilman Smith

Councilman Darda

#### **RESOLUTION #2321**

On a motion by Councilman Bartholomew and seconded by Councilman Smith the following resolution was adopted:

A resolution approving Change Order #4 for the Rosethorne Path in the amount of \$1,553.

WHEREAS, to reimburse the contractor for their actual cost of purchasing the Owner's and Contractor's Protective Liability Policy.

WHEREAS, Gulf State Services is the contractor of this project,

WHEREAS, Mayor Timothy Kerner, Jr. has permission to sign any documents pertaining to this resolution,

YEAS: 4

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1

Councilman Bartholomew

Councilman Creppel

Councilman Kerner, Jr.

Councilman Smith

Councilman Darda

A discussion was held on Resolution #2322.

## **RESOLUTION #2322**

On a motion by Councilman Kerner Jr. and seconded by Councilman Bartholomew the following resolution was adopted:

A resolution approving a Committee to make recommendations on Short Term Rentals.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and each Council Member will appoint a member,

WHEREAS, the committee will convene four times during the months of January and February 2024,

WHEREAS, the committee will present their findings to the Mayor and Council after the final meeting,

YEAS: 4

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1

Councilman Bartholomew Councilman Creppel

Councilman Kerner, Jr.

Councilman Smith

Councilman Darda

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No further business was discussed. On a motion by Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Bartholomew the meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Town Clerk