

DONALDSONVILLE COUNCIL
CITY OF DONALDSONVILLE
OCTOBER 13, 2020

The Donaldsonville Council of the City of Donaldsonville met for a regular meeting on Tuesday, October 13, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in council chambers at City Hall, 609 Railroad Ave., Donaldsonville, Louisiana with the following member present:

RAYMOND AUCOIN, Chairman
LAUTHAUGHT DELANEY, SR.
REGGIE FRANCIS
BRENT LANDRY
CHARLES BROWN
ABSENT: NONE

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Aucoin.

A prayer and pledge of allegiance was recited.

It was moved by Mr. Landry, seconded by Mr. Brown to amend the agenda to discuss the purchase of body cameras for the Ascension Parish Sheriff's Office.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Delaney, Brown, Landry, Francis, Aucoin

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: None. 5 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent and the motion passed

It was moved by Mr. Francis, seconded by Mr. Landry to amend the agenda to discuss House Bill #328.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Delaney, Brown, Landry, Francis, Aucoin

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: None. 5 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent and the motion passed

It was moved by Mr. Aucoin, seconded by Mr. Delaney to amend the agenda to authorize the mayor to sign the Notice of Award with Feliciano Welding for the Natural Gas Replacement Lines.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Delaney, Brown, Landry, Francis, Aucoin

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: None. 5 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent and the motion passed

It was moved by Mr. Delaney, seconded by Mr. Francis to amend the agenda to discuss the ongoing power outage in the Way Mart area.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Delaney, Brown, Landry, Francis, Aucoin

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: None. 5 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent and the motion passed

It was moved by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Delaney to amend the agenda to discuss recreation.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Delaney, Brown, Landry, Francis, Aucoin

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: None. 5 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent and the motion passed

The public comment period was now opened,

Aaron Chaisson addressed the Council announcing his candidacy for district judge in Division "B".

Kirk Mitchell addressed the Council concerning acquiring financial reports.

Glenn Price addressed the Council concerning at the procedure for asking question during a council meeting.

Clancyna Atkins addressed the Council concerning hosting a musical and toy and food drive at the River Road African American Museum.

Shentelle Daigle addressed the Council concerning having the council meetings on video so that all citizens may view meetings remotely.

It was moved by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Delaney to close the public comment period.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Delaney, Brown, Landry, Francis, Aucoin

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: None. 5 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent and the motion passed

The Ascension Parish Sheriff's Office Report for the month of September 2020 was given by Capt. Darryl Smith.

Sheriff Bobby Weber addressed the Council concerning the purchasing of body cameras for the sheriff's deputies on the West Bank.

It was moved by Mr. Delaney, seconded by Mr. Francis to enter into an agreement with the Ascension Parish Sheriff's Office to partnership in implementing body cameras for the Ascension Parish deputies on the West Bank.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Delaney, Brown, Landry, Francis, Aucoin

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: None. 5 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent and the motion passed

The Public Works Department Report for the month of September 2020 was given by Spencer Harvey.

It was moved by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Delaney to make the Natural Gas Report dated Sept. 5- Oct.5, 2020 a part of the official minutes.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Delaney, Brown, Landry, Francis, Aucoin

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: None. 5 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent and the motion passed

The Fire Department Report for the month of September 2020 was given by Fire Chief Adam Gautreaux.

It was moved by Mr. Francis, seconded by Mr. Delaney to authorize the mayor to sign an agreement with Fontenot Benefits & Actuarial Consulting in the amount of \$2000.00.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Delaney, Brown, Landry, Francis, Aucoin

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: None. 5 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent and the motion passed

It was moved by Mr. Francis, seconded by Mr. Landry to approve the 2019-2020 Postlethwaite & Netterville Audit Engagement in the amount of \$91,500.00.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Delaney, Brown, Landry, Francis, Aucoin

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: None. 5 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent and the motion passed

It was moved by Mr. Landry, seconded by Mr. Brown to ratify the debris removal contract with DRC Emergency Services in conjunction with the parish.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Delaney, Brown, Landry, Francis, Aucoin

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: None. 5 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent and the motion passed

It was moved by Mr. Francis, seconded by Mr. Brown to hold Trick or Treat on October 31, 2020 from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Delaney, Brown, Landry, Francis, Aucoin

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: None. 5 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent and the motion passed

It was decided to discuss House Bill #328 at the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Landry, seconded by Mr. Francis to authorize the Mayor to sign the Notice of Award with Feliciano Welders for the natural gas project at a cost of \$841,690.00.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Delaney, Brown, Landry, Francis, Aucoin

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: None. 5 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent and the motion passed

It was decided to discuss the power outages in the Wal Mart area at the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

There being no further business before the Council of the City of Donaldsonville, it was moved by Mr. Delaney, seconded by Mr. Francis that this meeting be adjourned.

s/Sandra Capone
Council Clerk