DONALDSONVILLE COUNCIL

CITY OF DONALDSONVILLE

JULY 14, 2020

The Donaldsonville Council of the City of Donaldsonville met for a regular meeting on Tuesday, July 14, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at Donaldsonville City Hall, Donaldsonville, Louisiana with the following members present:

LAUTHAUGHT DELANEY SR., Vice-Chairman

BRENT LANDRY

REGINALD FRANCIS

CHARLES BROWN

ABSENT: RAYMOND AUCOIN

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Delaney.

The public hearing to hear public comments on setting the 2020 millage rates and rolling forward to millage rates not exceeding the maximum authorized rates was now opened.

All interested parties were given the opportunity to express their opinion.

Glenn Price, 901 Magnolia Street, Donaldsonville, Louisiana addressed the council asking at the Council to table passing this resolution.

It was moved by Mr. Francis, seconded by Mr. Landry to close the public hearing.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: LANDRY, FRANCIS, BROWN, DELANEY

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: AUCOIN. 4, YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND THE MOTION WAS ADOPTED.

The public period was now opened. No one addressed the council at this time.

It was moved by Mr. Francis, seconded by Mr. Francis to approve the minutes of the June 9, 2020 minutes as published.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: LANDRY, FRANCIS, BROWN, DELANEY

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: AUCOIN. 4, YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND THE MOTION WAS ADOPTED.

It was moved by Mr. Francis, seconded by Mr. Landry to amend the agenda to discuss change order #2 from GSA relating to the sewer revolving fund loan.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: LANDRY, FRANCIS, BROWN, DELANEY

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: AUCOIN. 4, YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND THE MOTION WAS

ADOPTED

It was moved by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Landry to amend the agenda to re-visit the recreation agreement with the parish.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: LANDRY, FRANCIS, BROWN, DELANEY

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: AUCOIN. 4, YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND THE MOTION WAS ADOPTED

The Ascension Parish Sheriff's office report for the month of June 2020 was given by Capt. Darryl Smith.

It was moved by Mr. Francis, seconded by Mr. Landry to table the Public Works report for the month of June 2020 to the next city council meeting.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: LANDRY, FRANCIS, BROWN, DELANEY

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: AUCOIN. 4, YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND THE MOTION WAS ADOPTED

Fire Chief Adam Gautreau gave the Fire Department Report for the month of June 2020.

It was moved by Mr. Francis, seconded by Mr. Brown to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2020-23

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City of Donaldsonville, of the Parish of Ascension Louisiana, in a public meeting held on July 13, 2020, which requirements of Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B) that the following **adjusted** millage rates be and they are hereby levied upon the dollar of the assessed valuation of all property subject to ad valorem taxation within said Parish for the year 2020 for the purpose of raising revenue:

MILLAGE

City of Donaldsonville-General Fund \_\_6.52\_\_\_mills

Donaldsonville – Fire Department \_\_\_5.00\_\_mills

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Assessor of the Parish of Ascension, shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2020 the taxes herein levied, and the tax collector of said Parish shall collect and remit the same to said taxing authority in accordance with law.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: LANDRY, FRANCIS, BROWN, DELANEY

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: AUCOIN. 4, YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND THE MOTION WAS ADOPTED

It was moved by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Francis to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION 2020-24**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City of Donaldsonville, of the Parish of Ascension, Louisiana, in a public meeting held on July 14, 2020 which meeting was conducted in accordance the Open Meetings Law and the additional requirements of Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B), that the taxing district voted to increase the millage rate(s), but not in excess of the prior year’s maximum rates(s), on all taxable property shown on the official assessment roll for the year 2020, and when collected, the revues from said taxes shall be used only for the specific purposes for which said taxes have been levied. Said millage rate(s) are:

Adjusted Rate 2020 Levy City of Donaldsonville-General Fun \_\_\_6.34 mills \_\_\_6.52\_\_\_mills

Donaldsonville -Fire Department \_\_\_\_4.86 mills \_5.00\_\_\_mills

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(Tax for bonds, if applicable)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Assessor of the Parish of Ascension, shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2020 the taxes herein levied, and the tax collector of said Parish shall collect and remit the same to said taxing authority in accordance with law.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: LANDRY, FRANCIS, BROWN, DELANEY

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: AUCOIN. 4, YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND THE MOTION WAS ADOPTED

It was moved by Mr. Francis, seconded by Mr. Landry to approve Boone Services, LLC change order #2 to increase in the contract price by $140,115.20 and increase contract time by 224 days for Pump Station "C" Force Main to WWTP, GSA Project No.2013-14-B.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: LANDRY, FRANCIS, BROWN, DELANEY

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: AUCOIN. 4, YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND THE MOTION WAS ADOPTED

It was moved by Mr. Landry, seconded by Mr. Francis to approve GSA invoice #10896562 in the amount of $9,514.18.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: LANDRY, FRANCIS, BROWN, DELANEY

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: AUCOIN. 4, YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND THE MOTION WAS ADOPTED

It was moved by Mr. Landry, seconded by Mr. Brown to authorize the Mayor to sign the request for reimbursement (RF-105) DEQ Revolving Loan Fund No. 37.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: LANDRY, FRANCIS, BROWN, DELANEY

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: AUCOIN. 4, YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND THE MOTION WAS ADOPTED

It was moved by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Landry to authorize the mayor to sign amendment No. 3 to contract for professional services dated January 28, 2016

with GSA.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: LANDRY, FRANCIS, BROWN, DELANEY

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: AUCOIN. 4, YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND THE MOTION WAS ADOPTED

It was moved by Mr. Francis, seconded by Mr. Landry to authorize the mayor to sign the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2020-25

A resolution authorizing the Mayor to act as the authorized representative

regarding Change Order No. 2 for the Pump Station "C" to WWTP Force

Main Extension Project included in an existing loan of $7,156,000 with

the Department of Environmental Quality on behalf of the City of

Donaldsonville which will consist of additional work at Pump Station "A",

"B", "C", "E", "J-K" and the Waste Water Treatment Plant.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: LANDRY, FRANCIS, BROWN, DELANEY

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: AUCOIN. 4, YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND THE MOTION WAS ADOPTED

Delacy Joseph appeared before the council concerning the recreation contract between the City and the Parish of Ascension. This matter was tabled to the Committee of the Whole meeting to be held on July 20, 2020.

The public hearing on the following ordinance was now opened,

**ORDINANCE 2020-07**

An ordinance of the Donaldsonville Council providing for the definition

of Special Event, providing for the procedures to be followed for the issuance of a Special Event Permit, providing for severability and providing for an effective date.

All interested parties were given an opportunity to express their opinion.

Shantelle Daigle and Glenn Price addressed the Council regarding this ordinance.

It was moved by Mr. Francis, seconded by Mr. Brown that the public hearing on Ordinance 2020-07 be closed.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: LANDRY, FRANCIS, BROWN, DELANEY

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: AUCOIN. 4, YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND THE MOTION WAS ADOPTED

It was moved by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Francis to adopt Ordinance 2020-07.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: LANDRY, FRANCIS, BROWN, DELANEY

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: AUCOIN. 4, YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND THE MOTION WAS ADOPTED

The hearing on the condemnation of property located at 734 Church Street, Lot I, Square SO.LA. Fair, Donaldsonville, Louisiana was now opened. Sidney Marchand III Curator ad hoc for absentee owner Trena Eyvett Deerman submitted his report for the record. After considering the report filed by the Code Enforcement Officer and any comments thereon, it was moved by Mr. Landry seconded by Mr. Francis that the property is found to be in severe state of disrepair and should be demolished within thirty (30) days or in default thereof the City will demolish and remove the structure and seek the cost thereof from the owner.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: LANDRY, FRANCIS, BROWN, DELANEY

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: AUCOIN. 4, YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND THE MOTION WAS ADOPTED

There being no further business before the Council of the City of Donaldsonville a motion was made by Mr. Francis, seconded by Mr, Brown that this meeting be adjourned.

s/Sandra Capone\_

Council Clerk