

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF BOSSIER CITY  
STATE OF LOUISIANA TAKEN AT THE REGULAR MEETING  
JUNE 16, 2015

The City Council of the City of Bossier City, State of Louisiana, met in regular session in Council Chambers, 620 Benton Road, Bossier City, Louisiana, June 16, 2015, at 3:00 PM

Invocation was given by Council Member Scott Irwin

Pledge of Allegiance led by Council Member Don Williams

Roll Call as follows:

Present: Honorable Councilor Timothy Larkin, President, Honorable Councilors, David Montgomery, Jr, Scott Irwin, Jeffery Darby, Don Williams and Thomas Harvey

Absent: Honorable Councilor Jeff Free

Also Present: Attorney Jimmy Hall and City Clerk Phyllis McGraw

By: Mr. Irwin

Motion to approve the minutes of the June 2, 2015, Regular Council Meeting and dispense with the reading.

Seconded by Mr. Williams

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Williams

Motion to amend Agenda to include item #8 Under New Business - Introduce an Ordinance appropriating 3.5 million dollars from the 2014 Utility Bond Issue to fund design and construction of new utility lines for the downtown re-visioning project.

Seconded by Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By Mr. Williams

Motion to approve Agenda as amended.

Seconded by Mr. Montgomery

No Comment

Vote in favor or motion is unanimous

**Ceremonial Matters/Recognition of Guests:**

Joe Littlejohn, 111 Robert E. Lee Place, Bossier City, LA, spoke concerning violations of the Noise Ordinance by Diamond Jacks. Council asked MPC to measure sound.

Ginger Adam Corley, Bossier City Lobbyist, reported to Council on the items that passed and failed during the recent Legislative Session.

**Committee Reports:**

Joe Buffington, Finance Director, gave the Council the Monthly Financial Report

Jimmy Hall, City Attorney, gave the UPL Report for Fire Chief Brad Zagone who was out of town.

**Old Business:**

The following Ordinance offered and adopted:

**Ordinance No. 60 Of 2015**

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE ACQUISITION OF THE PROPERTIES DESCRIBED AS LOT 306, EAST SHREVEPORT SUBDIVISION, THE WEST 88' OF LOTS 300-302, EAST SHREVEPORT SUBDIVISION, 429 MINDEN STREET, 411/415 MINDEN STREET, 409 MINDEN STREET, LOT 378 EAST SHREVEPORT SUBDIVISION, LOTS 1 & 2, EVANS PLACE SUBDIVISION, LOTS 331 & 332 E. SHREVEPORT SUBDIVISION FOR THE APPRAISED VALUES AND AUTHORIZING MAYOR LORENZ WALKER TO SIGN ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS IN CONJUNCTION THEREWITH.

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**WHEREAS**, the City of Bossier City desires to facilitate the development of “old downtown” Bossier City; and

**WHEREAS**, funds have been appropriated for these acquisitions to include purchase, closing costs, relocation expenses, real estate commissions and demolition;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that Mayor Lorenz Walker is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary in conjunction with the acquisition of the properties for their appraised values described as follows:

Lot 306, East Shreveport Subdivision	\$15,000
The West 88' of Lots 300-302, East Shreveport Subd.	\$37,500
429 Minden Street	\$37,500
411/415 Minden Street	\$21,000
409 Minden Street	\$33,500
Lot 378, East Shreveport Subdivision	\$15,000
Lots 1 & 2, Evans Place Subdivision	\$34,000
Lots 331 & 332 E. Shreveport Subdivision	\$36,000

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that Mayor Lorenz Walker is hereby authorized to sign any and all deeds, closing statements, offer letters, options, or demolition requisitions in conjunction with the referenced properties.

The above and foregoing Ordinance was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Don Williams, and seconded by Mr. David Montgomery, Jr., and adopted on the 16th day of June, 2015, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Montgomery, Jr., Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams and Mr. Harvey  
NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Free

ABSTAIN: none

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Timothy Larkin, President

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Phyllis McGraw, City

The following Ordinance offered and adopted:

**ORDINANCE NO. 61 OF 2015**

**AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT AN AMENDED BUDGET FOR THE 2015 WATER & SEWER FUND**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Bossier City acknowledges certain amendments to the 2015 Water and Sewer Fund Budgets, and

**WHEREAS**, funds to cover budget amendments are available in the water retained earning fund.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that \$23,028 is appropriated from the water retained earnings and applied to the amended 2015 Water and Sewer Fund Budget.

The above and foregoing Ordinance was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Scott Irwin, and seconded by Mr. David Montgomery, Jr., and adopted on the 16th day of June, 2015, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Montgomery, Jr., Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams and Mr. Harvey

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Free

ABSTAIN: none

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Timothy Larkin, Council President

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Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

The following Ordinance offered and adopted:

**Ordinance No. 62 Of 2015**

**AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$3,333.33 FROM GENERAL FUND, FUND BALANCE TO SHARE THE \$10,000.00 COST WITH THE PARISH OF BOSSIER AND THE BOSSIER PARISH SHERIFF TO HIRE THE U.S. CORPS OF ENGINEERS TO CONDUCT A HYDRAULIC MAPPING INUNDATION MAP OF SOUTH BOSSIER PARISH.**

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**WHEREAS**, the benefits of the referenced study are set forth in the documents attached;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that the sum of \$3,333.33 is hereby

appropriated from General Fund, Fund Balance to share the \$10,000.00 cost of hiring the U.S. Corps of Engineers to conduct a hydraulic mapping inundation map of South Bossier Parish; and

The above and foregoing Ordinance was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. David Montgomery, Jr., and seconded by Mr. Scott Irwin, and adopted on the 16th day of June, 2015, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Montgomery, Jr., Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams and Mr. Harvey

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Free

ABSTAIN: none

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**Timothy Larkin, President**

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**Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk**

**New Business:**

**The following Resolution offered and adopted:**

**RESOLUTION NO. 56 OF 2015**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF TWO REPLACEMENTS FOR TWO POLICE OFFICERS RETIRING FROM THE DEPARTMENT**

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**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 2 of 2010 implemented a hiring freeze requiring Bossier City Council approval for the hiring of any personnel;

**WHEREAS**, vacancies now exist in the Police Department, and filling these positions will allow operations to continue;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular and legal session convened, that the administration is authorized to hire two police officers to replace two retiring from the Department.

The above and foregoing Resolution was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Scott Irwin, and second by Mr. David Montgomery, Jr., and adopted on the 16th day of June, 2015, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Montgomery, Jr., Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams and Mr. Harvey

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Free

ABSTAIN: none

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**Timothy Larkin, President**

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Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

The following Resolution offered and adopted:

**Resolution No. 57 Of 2015**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REPLACEMENT OF ONE CIVIC CENTER  
EVENT COORDINATOR POSITION**

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**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to replace one Event Coordinator at the Civic Center; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular and legal session convened, that the administration is authorized to replace one Event Coordinator position at the civic center.

The above and foregoing Resolution was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. David Montgomery, Jr., and seconded by Mr. Don Williams, and adopted on the 16th day of June, 2015, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Montgomery, Jr., Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams and Mr. Harvey

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Free

ABSTAIN: none

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**Timothy Larkin, President**

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**Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk**

The following Resolution offered and adopted:

**RESOLUTION NO. 58 OF 2015**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF ONE REPLACEMENT FOR ONE  
POLICE OFFICER WHO RESIGNED FROM THE DEPARTMENT**

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**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 2 of 2010 implemented a hiring freeze requiring Bossier City Council approval for the hiring of any personnel;

**WHEREAS**, a vacancy now exists in the Police Department, and filling this position will allow operations to continue;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular and legal session convened, that the administration is

authorized to hire one police officer to replace one who resigned from the Department.

The above and foregoing Resolution was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. David Montgomery, Jr., and second by Mr. Thomas Harvey, and adopted on the 16th day of June, 2015, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Montgomery, Jr., Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams and Mr. Harvey

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Free

ABSTAIN: none

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Timothy Larkin, President

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Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

The following Resolution offered and adopted:

**RESOLUTION NO. 59 OF 2015**

**A RESOLUTION TO HIRE OR PROMOTE ONE FOREMAN I IN SEWER MAINTENANCE AND ONE OPERATOR AT THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT TO REPLACE VACANT POSITIONS IN PUBLIC UTILITIES.**

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**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Bossier City authorizes the hiring or promotion of one Foreman I in Sewer Maintenance and one Operator at the Water Treatment Plant to replace vacant positions in Public Utilities.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Bossier City, in regular session convened, does hereby authorize the hiring or promotion of one Foreman I in Sewer Maintenance and one Operator at the Water Treatment Plant to replace vacant positions in Public Utilities.

The above and foregoing Resolution, read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. David Montgomery, Jr., and seconded by Mr. Don Williams, and adopted on the 16th day of June, 2015, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Montgomery, Jr., Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams and Mr. Harvey

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Free

ABSTAIN: none

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Timothy Larkin, Council President

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Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

By: Mr. Harvey

Motion to approve Report of Change Order for Boardwalk Lift Station an increase of \$27,351. Total cost of Contract with increase \$1,140,851.00.

Seconded by: Mr. Irwin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous.

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to approve Parade Permit Fee Waiver for JDRF Walk for the Cure, September 12, 2015.

Seconded by: Mr. Williams

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous.

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to reappoint Charles Maxie as a commissioner of the Board of Commissioners for the Housing Authority of the City of Bossier City. Appointment effective July 8, 2015 and expires July 8, 2020.

Seconded by Mr. Irwin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to introduce an Ordinance appropriating 3.5 million dollars from the 2014 Utility Bond Issue to fund design and construction of new utility lines for the Downtown Re-Visioning Project.

Seconded by Mr. Irwin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

**There being no further business to come before this Council, meeting adjourned at 3:36 PM by Mr. Larkin**

**Respectfully submitted:**

**Phyllis McGraw  
City Clerk**

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