

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF BOSSIER CITY  
STATE OF LOUISIANA TAKEN AT THE REGULAR MEETING  
March 4, 2014

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, March 4, 2014, at 3:00 PM

Invocation was given by Council Member Jeffery Darby

Pledge of Allegiance led by Council Member Timothy Larkin

Roll Call as follows:

Present: Honorable Jeffery Darby, President; Honorable Councilors, Timothy Larkin, Scott Irwin, Don Williams, Jeff Free and Thomas Harvey

Absent: Honorable David Montgomery, Jr.

Also Present: Mayor Lorenz Walker, City Attorney Jimmy Hall and City Clerk, Phyllis McGraw

By: Mr. Irwin

Motion to approve the minutes of the February 18, 2014, Regular Meeting and dispense with the reading.

Seconded by Mr. Williams

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Irwin

Motion to amend the agenda to include #12 under New Business - Introduce an Ordinance appropriating \$25,000 from the Jail and Municipal Building Fund to bring the Kitchen Facilities at Mitchell Park up to code.

Seconded by Mr. Williams

No Comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Williams

Motion to approve agenda as amended.

Seconded by Mr. Larkin

No Comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

**Recognition of Guests:**

None

**Committee Reports:**

None

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**

The following ordinance offered and adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 22 OF 2014

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 126 OF 2003, BY CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF A 4.16 ACRE TRACT OF LAND LOCATED AT 1735 OLD BENTON ROAD, BOSSIER CITY, LA., FROM R-LD (RESIDENTIAL LOW DENSITY) TO R-HD (RESIDENTIAL HIGH DENSITY) FOR EXTENDED STAY SUITES. (City of Bossier City)

SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that Ordinance No. 126 of 2003 of the City Council of the City of Bossier City, Louisiana, is hereby amended to provide that the zoning classification is hereby changed from R-LD, Residential-Low Density, to R-HD, Residential High Density, for the following:

From the  $\frac{1}{4}$  section line marker between Sections 20 and 29 located at the Southwest corner of the intersection of Karl and Yarbrough Streets in Bossier City, Louisiana, go North 25 feet along the quarter section line a distance of 25 feet, thence North 90 degrees East a distance of 40 feet to a point of beginning, said point of beginning being the Southwest corner of the Yarbrough Place Subdivision to the City of Bossier City, Louisiana, and the Southwest corner of the property. From said point of beginning go North 90 degrees East a distance of 479 feet to the Southeast corner of the property at the intersection of Yarbrough Street and Old Benton Road; from said Southeast corner go North 48 degrees 53 minutes East a distance of 61.45 feet to a point; from said point go North 53 degrees 40 minutes East a distance of 100 feet to a second point; from said second point go North 58 degrees 5 minutes East a distance of 100 feet to a third point; from said third point go North 62 degrees 55 minutes East a distance of 100 feet to a fourth point; from said fourth point go North 63 degrees 13 minutes East a distance of 73 feet to the Northeast corner of the property at the intersection of Old Benton Road and Joannes Street; from said Northeast corner go North 87 degrees 49 minutes West a distance of 849.5 feet to the Northwest corner of the property at the intersection of Joannes and Karl Streets; from said Northwest corner go 177 degrees 49 minutes East a distance of 260 feet to the point of beginning, said point being the Southwest corner of the property at the intersection of Karl and Yarbrough Streets, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, Bossier City, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.

Motion was made by Mr. Don Williams and seconded by Mr. Jeff Free to adopt the above ordinance. Upon the following vote, the ordinance was duly adopted this 4th day of March, 2014.

YEAS: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Harvey

NAYS: none

ABSTAIN: none

ABSENT: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

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JEFFERY D. DARBY, PRESIDENT

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PHYLLIS MCGRAW, CITY CLERK

C-6-14

**The following ordinance offered and adopted:**

**ORDINANCE NO. 23 OF 2014**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 23 of 2012.**

**WHEREAS, the legal description was incorrectly stated as: Liberia Plantation, Unit No. 1, Lot 3 Bossier City, LA.**

WHEREAS, the legal description should read: Liberia Plantation, Unit 2, Lot 4  
THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOSSIER CITY HEREBY ORDAINS:  
That Ordinance 23 of 2012 be amended.

Motion was made by Mr. Don Williams and seconded by Mr. Jeffery Darby  
to adopt the above ordinance. Upon the following vote, the ordinance was duly  
adopted this 4th day of March, 2014.

YEAS: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr.  
Harvey

NAYS: none

ABSTAIN: none

ABSENT: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

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JEFFERY D. DARBY, PRESIDENT

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PHYLLIS MCGRAW, CITY CLERK

C-4-12

By: Mr. Williams

Motion to introduce the 2014 Riverboat Gaming Capital Projects Budget  
Ordinance.

Seconded by: Mr. Free

No Comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Williams

Motion to introduce the 2014 Utilities Capital Improvement Budget  
Ordinance.

Seconded by: Mr. Irwin

No Comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Williams

Motion to introduce the 2014 Sales Tax Capital Improvements Budget  
Ordinance.

Seconded by: Mr. Irwin

No Comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Irwin

Motion to introduce an Ordinance to declare certain movable equipment  
owned by City of Bossier City as scrapped due to accident damage and surplus to  
the City's need an provide for salvage and disposal according to law.

Seconded by: Mr. Williams

No Comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

**The following Resolution offered and adopted:**

**RESOLUTION NO. 11 OF 2014**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF AN OPEARTOR I AND A LABORER I TO FILL VACANT POSITIONS IN PUBLIC WORKS**

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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**, an Operator I position in the Streets and Drainage division and a Laborer I position in the Solid Waste division are vacant 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 an Operator I and a Laborer I.

The above and foregoing Resolution was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Don Williams, and second by Mr. Jeffery Darby, and adopted on the 4th day of March, 2014, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Harvey

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

ABSTAIN: none

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Jeffery D. Darby, President

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Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

**The following Resolution offered and adopted:**

**RESOLUTION NO. 12 OF 2014**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ONE POLICE CAPTAIN, ONE POLICE LIEUTENANT AND ONE POLICE SERGEANT TO BE PROMOTED; AND THE HIRING OF A JAILER ONE POSITION.**

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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 promote one Police Captain, one Police Lieutenant and one Police Sergeant; and hire one Jailer One.

The above and foregoing Resolution was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Don Williams, and second by Mr. Jeff Free, and adopted on the 4th day of March, 2014, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Harvey

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

ABSTAIN: none

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Jeffery D. Darby, President

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Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

By: Mr. Free

Motion to approve Parade Fee Waiver for Run with the Nuns 5K, April 12, 2014.

Seconded by: Mr. Harvey

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Irwin

Motion to approve Report of Change Order the emergency repair of the fire hydrant and water main break at Rossie Lee and Barksdale resulting from a car wreck.

Seconded by: Mr. Williams

No Comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous.

**The following Ordinance offered and adopted:**

**ORDINANCE NO. 24 OF 2014**

**AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THAT AN EMERGENCY DID EXIST IN THE CITY OF BOSSIER CITY WHICH AFFECTED PROPERTY, PUBLIC HEALTH, AND SAFETY DUE TO A WATER MAIN FAILURE ON BENTON ROAD FROM OLD MINDEN ROAD TO BENTON SPUR.**

**WHEREAS**, the water line in this location broke numerous times necessitating repair, and

**WHEREAS**, after multiple repairs the line continued to break, necessitating line replacement, and

**WHEREAS**, a new twelve-inch line was installed to replace the failing line, and

**WHEREAS**, the existing twelve-inch line was repaired at least ten times during the new line installation in order to ensure continued service and fire protection in the vicinity, and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, hereby declares that this situation affected property, health, and safety due to the water main break.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that funds to repair the water main will come from the water capital and contingency account, in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 (Five Hundred Thousand Dollars and 00/100), with the furtherance of this Ordinance.

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. Jeff Free, and adopted on the 4th day of March, 2014, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Harvey

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

ABSTAIN: none

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Jeffery D. Darby, Council President

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Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

By: Mr. Darby

Motion to introduce an Ordinance appropriating \$25,000 from the Jail and Municipal Building Fund to bring the Kitchen Facilities at Mitchell Park up to code.  
Seconded by Mr. Williams  
No Comment  
Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

**There being no further business to come before this meeting, meeting adjourned at 3:18 PM by Mr. Darby**

**Respectfully submitted:**

**Phyllis McGraw**  
City Clerk

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