

MUNICIPAL MINUTES, TOWN OF CHURCH POINT, STATE OF LOUISIANA

PUBLIC HEARING/REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 3RD, 2022

PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing was called in order to hear comment on the following: Potential adoption of an ordinance to sale the former city hall building, and potential adoption of an ordinance increasing court fines.

No comments were offered.

REGULAR MEETING

ATTENDANCE:

MAYOR: Ryan “Spanky” Meche

ALDERMEN: Christine Semien (Ward 1), Kim Cormier (Ward 2), Pat O’Pry (Ward 3), Chris Lebas (Ward 4),
Errol “Slu” Comeaux (Ward 5)

CHIEF OF POLICE: Dale Thibodeaux

TOWN ATTORNEY: Lucas Colligan

MUNICIPAL CLERK: Rowdy Latiolais

ABSENT: None

COMMENCEMENT

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Meche called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Prayer led by Councilman Comeaux / Pledge led by Councilman O’Pry

AMENDMENT TO AGENDA

It was moved by Comeaux, seconded by O’Pry to amend the agenda to include an alcohol exemption for Church Point Community Development’s Mardi Gras Ball.

Vote: All in favor

Agenda amended

It was moved by Comeaux, seconded by Semien to grant an alcohol exemption for the Church Point Community Development Mardi Gras Ball, to be held on February 19th, 2022 at the Community Center.

Vote: All in favor

Motion approved

MINUTES

It was moved by O’Pry, seconded by Cormier to approve the previous minutes.

Vote: All in favor

Minutes approved

FINANCIALS

It was moved by Comeaux, seconded by O’Pry to approve the November 2021 financials.

Vote: All in favor

Financials approved

FINANCE

It was moved by Comeaux, seconded by O’Pry to approve the LA Compliance Questionnaire.

Vote: All in favor

Motion approved

It was moved by Comeaux, seconded by O’Pry to award the Sewer System Improvements FP&C 50-M45-16-01 Project to Construction Pro, Inc. with a low bid of \$315,545.00, along with authorizing the mayor to sign and execute contracts.

Vote: All in favor

Motion approved

It was moved by Cormier, seconded by Semien to award the Delahoussaye and St. Jude Water Line Replacement Project to Bihm Construction Co., with a low bid of \$380,537.70, along with authorizing the mayor to sign and execute contracts.

Vote: All in favor

Motion approved

LAW ENFORCEMENT

It was moved by Cormier, seconded by Semien to approve the appointment of Sarah Olivier from dispatcher to full-time police officer.

Vote: All in favor

Motion approved

LEGAL

It was moved by Lebas, seconded by Comeaux to introduce an ordinance allowing for a zoning variance for 163 Olivier Road.

Vote: All in favor

Ordinance introduced

It was moved by Lebas, seconded by Comeaux to adopt an ordinance to sale the former city hall building.

Vote: All in favor

Ordinance adopted; posted in appendix

It was moved by Cormier, seconded by O'Pry to adopt an ordinance increasing court fines.

Vote: All in favor

Ordinance adopted; fines posted in appendix

It was moved by Lebas, seconded by Comeaux to adopt a resolution asking the state to declare Main Street by Church Point High as not a school zone.

Vote: All in favor

Resolution adopted

It was moved by Lebas, seconded by Comeaux to introduce an ordinance regulating the height of signs for businesses.

Vote: All in favor

Ordinance introduced

It was moved by Lebas, seconded by O'Pry to introduce an ordinance strengthening the state ordinance of no advertising or political sign placement on town poles or right-of-way.

Vote: All in favor

Ordinance introduced

It was moved by Lebas, seconded by Comeaux to introduce an ordinance backing dumpsters twenty-five feet from town-maintained asphalt.

Vote: All in favor

Ordinance introduced

It was moved by Comeaux, seconded by Lebas to adopt a resolution asking the state to paint cross walk lines on Broussard, Robert, E. Ebey, and Briscoe streets, or with permission for the town to do so.

Vote: All in favor

Resolution adopted

It was moved by Lebas, seconded by Cormier to introduce an ordinance setting the mayor's annual salary.

Vote: All in favor

Ordinance introduced

MISC/DISCUSSION

Discussion was held regarding cited camper violations. All were resolved except the following, who were not present at the meeting for discussion: Carl Daigle (camper location - 320 S. Rogers), and Darby Olivier (camper location 433 Canal).

CLOSING

It was moved by Cormier, seconded by O'Pry to adjourn the meeting.

Vote: All in favor

Meeting adjourned

APPROVED AS TO AUTHENTICITY:

RYAN MECHE, MAYOR

DATE

ROWDY LATIOLAIS, CLERK

DATE

APPENDIX

ORDINANCE # 01032022-1

AN ORDINANCE TO SALE CERTAIN IMMOVALBE PROPERTY OWNED BY THE TOWN OF CHURCH POINT, NAMELY PROPERTY KNOWN AS THE FORMER CITY HALL

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF CHURCH POINT, proceeding under its legal authority to perform certain actions that are in the best interests of the Town of Church Point and further pursuant to the laws of the State of Louisiana hereby state the following:

WHEREAS, the town of Church Point has relocated City Hall and its administrative services and personnel to a new building and location.

WHEREAS, the town of Church Point no longer has use for the former building and location where City Hall was previously located.

WHEREAS, the town of Church Point declares that the highest and best use of the building and property of the former City Hall is to return it to private commerce via sale.

WHEREAS, the Church Point Board of Alderman desires to declare the former City Hall building and land as surplus property for purposes of initiating a sale of said property.

WHEREAS, the town of Church Point is offering the former City Hall building and property for sale to the general public.

WHEREAS, the town of Church Point authorizes the mayor to retain an agent to list the former City Hall building and property on a multi listing service for advertisement and sale to the general public.

WHEREAS, the town of Church Point declares that any agent retained by the town to list the property shall not dually represent the prospective purchaser in the transaction.

WHEREAS, the town of Church Point sets the minimum sale price at equal to the appraised value of the property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Aldermen of the Town of Church Point, Louisiana, acting as the governing authority thereof, that the former City Hall building and property is hereby declared as surplus and may be sold in a manner consistent with the provisions listed above.

This ordinance having been submitted to a vote in the regular session assembled of the Mayor and Aldermen of the Town of Church Point, Louisiana, the vote thereon being as follows:

MOTION: Lebas
 SECOND: Comeaux
 YEAS: O’Pry, Cormier, Semien
 NEAS: None
 ABSTAIN: None

This ordinance was introduced on the 6th day of December, 2021, and declared adopted on the 3rd day of January, 2022.

Town Of Church Point

State Of Louisiana

Magistrate Court

Ordinance #01032022-2

By order of the Church Point Town Council effective February 1, 2022, the following offenses plus court costs are as follows:

Traffic Tickets: 1-20 miles over- \$7.00 per mile plus court cost \$97.50 School Zone plus \$50.00

Traffic Tickets: 21 and over- \$14.00 per mile plus court cost \$97.50 School Zone plus \$50.00

Reckless Operation	\$175.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Reckless Operation W/Accident	\$200.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Failure To Maintain Control	\$175.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Stop Sign Violation w/Accident	\$100.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Stop Sign Violation	\$75.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Traffic Light Violation	\$100.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Traffic Light Violation w/Accident	\$125.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Improper U Turn	\$75.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Expired Inspection Sticker	\$50.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
No Drivers License In Possession	\$100.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
No Drivers License	\$150.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Expired Drivers License	\$100.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
No Seat Belt	\$50.00		
Child Restraint Required	\$75.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Unauthorized Use Of Movable	\$300.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Driving Under Suspension	\$300.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Hit and Run	\$300.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Improper Passing	\$125.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Improper Lane Usage	\$125.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Altered or Forged MVI	\$200.00	Court Cost	\$97.50

Switched License Plate	\$300.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Vehicle Registration Required	\$150.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Safety Helmet Required	\$150.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Wrong Way on One Way	\$100.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Failure to Obey Officers Signals	\$250.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Improper Passing of School Bus	\$300.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Failure to Yield To Emergency Vehicle	\$300.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Following to Close	\$100.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Following to Close with Accident	\$150.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
No Proof Insurance	\$150.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
No Insurance	\$200.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Littering	\$150.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Open Container	\$50.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Failure To Signal	\$ 50.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Improper Parking	\$125.00		
Proper Equipment Required	\$100.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Disobey Barricades and Signs	\$250.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Head Lamps and Tail Lamps Required	\$50.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Loud Music Ordinance	\$100.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Failure to Yield	\$100.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Failure to Yield W/Accident	\$150.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Leaving the Scene Of Accident	\$200.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Improper Backing w/Accident	\$100.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Improper Backing	\$50.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Obstruction of Public Roadway	\$100.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Failure to Transfer Registration	\$75.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Expired or No License Plate	\$150.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Allowing Unlicensed Driver To Drive	\$200.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Illegal Window Tint	\$75.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Dog At Large	\$50.00	Court Cost	\$97.50
Criminal Offenses			
Battery On Officer	\$350.00	Court Cost	\$128.00
Simple Battery	\$200.00	Court Cost	\$128.00
Aggravated Assault on Officer	\$300.00	Court Cost	\$128.00
Aggravated Assault	\$250.00	Court Cost	\$128.00
Simple Assault	\$175.00	Court Cost	\$128.00
Criminal Mischief	\$275.00	Court Cost	\$128.00
Simple Criminal Damage to Property	\$200.00	Court Cost	\$128.00
Looting	\$300.00	Court Cost	\$128.00
Criminal Trespassing	\$200.00	Court Cost	\$128.00
Destruction Defacing Or Removal of Public Signs	\$150.00	Court Cost	\$128.00

Remaining after being forbidden	\$200.00	Court Cost	\$128.00
Shoplifting	\$100.00	Court Cost	\$128.00
Theft under 600.00	\$300.00	Court Cost	\$128.00
Unauthorized use of movable	\$250.00	Court Cost	\$128.00
Unauthorized use of Motor Vehicle	\$300.00	Court Cost	\$128.00
Obstruction of Public Passages	\$250.00	Court Cost	\$128.00
Disturbing the Peace	\$150.00	Court Cost	\$128.00
Disturbing the Peace by Fighting	\$200.00	Court Cost	\$128.00
Unnecessary Noise Loud Music (Residence or Club)	\$100.00	Court Cost	\$128.00
Resisting Officer	\$300.00	Court Cost	\$128.00
Flight From Officer	\$350.00	Court Cost	\$128.00
Filing False Police Report	\$250.00	Court Cost	\$128.00
Misrepresentation During Booking	\$300.00	Court Cost	\$128.00
Telephone Harassment	\$150.00	Court Cost	\$128.00
Interfering with Duties of Officer	\$300.00	Court Cost	\$128.00
Possession Drug Paraphernalia	\$500.00	Court Cost	\$128.00
Possession Marijuana Under 14 Gms	\$100.00	Court Cost	\$128.00
Possession Marijuana over 14 Gms	\$500.00	Court Cost	\$128.00
Issuing Worthless Checks	\$100.00	Court Cost	\$128.00
Child in need of Supervision	\$100.00	Court Cost	\$128.00