

MUNICIPAL MINUTES, TOWN OF CHURCH POINT, STATE OF LOUISIANA

REGULAR MEETING SEPTEMBER 9th 2024 MINUTES

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ATTENDANCE:

MAYOR: Ryan “Spanky” Meche

ALDERMEN: Gene Malbrough (Ward 1), Joy Daigle (Ward 2), Pat O’Pry (Ward 3),

Dale Wimberley (Ward 4), Jerome Landry (Ward 5)

CHIEF OF POLICE: Dale Thibodeaux

TOWN ATTORNEY: Lucas Colligan

MUNICIPAL CLERK: Valerie Clayton

TOWN ENGINEER: Pam Granger

ABSENT: Jerome Landry

COMMENCEMENT

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Meche called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Prayer led by Councilman O’Pry / Pledge led by Councilman Wimberley.

REVISION OF AGENDA

None

MINUTES

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

Vote: All in favor; minutes approved.

FINANCIALS

It was moved by Councilman O’Pry, seconded by Councilwoman Wimberley to approve the July 2024 financials.

Vote: All in favor; financials approved.

LAW ENFORCEMENT

It was moved by Councilwoman Daigle, seconded by Councilman O’Pry to approve a budget amendment to repair police units for a total of \$3,895.74.

Unit #101 – \$275.21 Repairs

Unit #114 – \$1506.99 & \$687.63 Front end and AC repairs

Unit # 107 – \$732.86 Front end repairs

Unit # 111 – \$693.05 Front end repairs

Vote: All in favor; budget amendment approved.

It was moved by Councilwoman Daigle, seconded by Councilman Wimberley to approve a full-time patrolman hire of Cody Miller. Cody Miller will be placed on a 6-month probationary period then evaluated for permanent hire.

Vote: All in favor; hire approved.

It was moved by Councilwoman Daigle, seconded by Councilman O’Pry to approve moving Connor Guidry from his part-time training status to full-time patrolman. Connor Guidry will be placed on a 6-month probationary period then evaluated for permanent hire.

Vote: All in favor; hire status approved.

It was moved by Councilman O’Pry, seconded by Councilman Wimberley to approve a part-time hire of Brett Lejeune. Brett Lejeune will be placed on a 6-month probationary period then evaluated for permanent hire.

Vote: All in favor; hire approved.

It was moved by Councilwoman Daigle, seconded by Councilman Wimberley to approve a part-time and reserve unit hire of Farrell Jeanis. Farrell Jeanis will be placed on a 6-month probationary period.

Vote: All in favor; part-time reserve unit hire approved.

FINANCE

It was moved by Councilman O’Pry, seconded by Councilwoman Malbrough to approve a lease purchase of four new police vehicles with payment terms of four annual payments of \$44,661.91 to be taken out of the police and/or court fund(s).

Vote: All in favor; purchase approved.

PUBLIC WORKS

It was moved by Councilman Wimberley, seconded by Councilwoman Daigle to award the Water Sector Program Contract No. 5 – Water Treatment Plant Rehabilitation contract to the lowest bidder.

Preferred Mechanical, LLC – \$1,022,818.37

Vote: All in favor; contract awarded.

It was moved by Councilman O’Pry, seconded by Councilwoman Daigle to declare surplus of sewer truck.

Vote: All in favor; motion approved.

LEGAL

It was moved by Councilman Wimberley, seconded by Councilwoman Daigle to approve a resolution to support an area of Church Point as French Emersion.

Vote: All in favor; resolution approved.

It was moved by Councilman O’Pry, seconded by Councilwoman Daigle to approve a resolution for GOHSEP temporary housing and shelter assistance program.

Vote: All in favor; resolution approved.

Councilman O’pry introduced an ordinance for trailer parks and multi-family residences (four or more units) required to have a dumpster on location.

Discussion of Ordinance to be held at 10/07/2024 Council meeting.

It was moved by Councilwoman Daigle, seconded by Councilman Wimberley to approve a liquor license exemption for Eva Pitre benefit to be held Oct 19th 2024 at Church Point Park Pavilion located at 104 E Darbonne St.

Vote: All in favor; liquor license exemption approved.

It was moved by Councilman Wimberley, seconded by Councilwoman Daigle to approve a liquor license exemption for OLSH Autumn Fest to be held Oct 19th 2024 located on church grounds.

Vote: All in favor; liquor license exemption approved.

CLOSING

It was moved by Councilman O’Pry, seconded by Councilwoman Daigle to adjourn the meeting.

APPROVED AS TO AUTHENTICITY:

RYAN MECHE, MAYOR **DATE**

_____ VALERIE CLAYTON, CLERK **DATE**

ORDINANCE #

AN ORDINANCE TO REQUIRE DUMPSTER BINS ON MULTI-FAMILY UNITS AND

MOBILE HOME PARKS

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 has observed and received complaints in reference to a large amount trash receptacles being left on the roadway near multi-family unit properties and mobile home parks, which pose a danger to passing motorists and pedestrians.

WHEREAS, The Town has observed and received complaints of loose garbage, home articles, refuse, furnishings, and mattresses being left on the right of way, sidewalks, and roadway adjacent to and

interspersed with the trash receptacles.

WHEREAS, The Town of hereby requires all Multi-Family Units and Mobile Home Parks to have an onsite dumpster bin to allow for trash to be deposited into the receptacle and not left on the roadway, sidewalk and right of way.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED,

Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances: All ordinances and laws or parts of ordinances and laws not specifically noted above which conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Severability: In the event any section, part or portion of this ordinance shall be found to be unconstitutional, or otherwise unenforceable, the remaining portion shall be valid and in full force and effect.

Any Mobile Home Park with 4 or more mobile homes on a single property and any multi-family residence of 4 or more units shall be required to have a dumpster bin on site for the collection of loose waste. Loose waste shall not be deposited upon the right of way, side walk, or road-way for trash collection at any Mobile Home Park with 4 or more mobile homes or any multi-family residence of 4 or more units on a single property.

Any person, partnership, or corporation who violates this provision shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punishable by a fine no exceeding one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or thirty (30) days in jail. Each week that a violation is permitted to exist shall constitute a separate offence.