

**MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TOWN HALL MEETING ROOM
112 W ALABAMA AVE.
VIVIAN, LOUISIANA
MONDAY, JULY 8, 2019
6:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Festavan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

INVOCATION – Alderman Raymond Williams opened the meeting in prayer.

PLEDGE – Mayor Festavan led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

VERIFICATION OF QUORUM – Board of Aldermen present for Roll Call were James Martin, Denise Alexander, Michael Guthrie, Raymond Williams and Angela Channell. Following Roll Call the Town Clerk verified that a quorum was present.

Also present were other elected officials/staff members: Ronnie Festavan – Mayor; Ryan Nelson - Chief of Police; Douglas Dominick - Town Attorney; Kellie Morris - Town Clerk; David Jones, Jr. - Deputy Clerk; Kevin Hartzo - Public Works Director; Annette Lewis - Environmental Services Coordinator; Perry Hart - Deputy Police Chief and Bobby Smith – Zoning & Condemnation Officer.

APPROVE AGENDA – Motion made by Raymond Williams; second by James Martin; all approved.

1. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** – There were none.

2. **MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT** – Financial report was presented by Mayor Festavan.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR JUNE 10 REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING – Motion was made by Denise Alexander, second by Michael Guthrie; all approved.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR JUNE 27 SPECIAL CALLED MEETING – Motion was made by Angela Channell, second by James Martin; all approved.

5. RE-INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE # 725 OF 2019 OF THE TOWN OF VIVIAN, LOUISIANA - AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CODE OF ORDINANCE, TOWN OF VIVIAN, LOUISIANA, TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 2 - ADMINISTRATION - ARTICLE III. OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES - DIVISION 3. POLICE DEPARTMENT TO ADD Section 2-89 – Mandatory Employment Contract with all newly hired non post certified police officers. (This will require all newly hired police officers who are not Post-Certified to reimburse the Town of Vivian the cost of the academy and basic firearms training program on a prorated basis if they accept employment as a police officer with another government entity within 2 years.) *There will be a public hearing prior to the adoption of Ordinance # 724 at the Regular Council Meeting at 6:00 p.m. on August 12, 2019 at the Vivian Town Hall, located at 112 W. Alabama Ave. in Vivian, Louisiana.*

6. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE # 726 OF 2019 OF THE TOWN OF VIVIAN, LOUISIANA – TO SALE AND OR TRANSFER THE TOWN’S WORKING INTEREST IN THE VIVIAN SAND UNIT, CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA FOR THE REASONS FOR SAID SALE, TO FIX THE MINIMUM PRICE OF SAID SALE AND THE TERMS OF THE SALE. This ordinance will declare said property surplus property, no longer needed for a public purpose and to be sold unto the MCCORMICK PRODUCTION, INC. who now has acquired 80% of the working interest in and to said unit. *There will be a public hearing prior to the adoption of Ordinance # 724 at the Regular Council Meeting at 6:00 p.m. on August 12, 2019 at the Vivian Town Hall, located at 112 W. Alabama Ave. in Vivian, Louisiana.*

7. THE BOARD OF ALDERMAN WILL CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION # 9 OF 2019 - TO AUTHORIZE MAYOR RONNIE FESTAVAN TO EXECUTE A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT

BY BETWEEN THE TOWN OF VIVIAN AND HALE REAL ESTATE, LLC. (This agreement will authorize the Town to perform a lawn maintenance on a small tract of property owned by Hale Real Estate, LLC; in return Hale Real Estate, LLC will allow the Louisiana Redbud Association to continue to operate its annual carnival on this particular tract of property. The agreement is being made for economic development purposes and promotion of tourism within the Town of Vivian during the week-long event of Redbud Festival.) Motion was made by Angela Channell, second by Raymond; Denise Alexander recused herself, abstained, from the vote; all others approved.

8. THE BOARD OF ALDERMAN WILL CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION # 10 OF 2019 – THIS IS A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE CONCERTED REVITALIZATION PLAN OF ACTION AND ALLOW MAYOR RONNIE FESTAVAN TO SIGN 1) THE ZONING CERTIFICATION LETTER AND 2) THE REVITALIZATION LETTER. (Monterey Hills project.) Motion was made by Raymond Williams, second by Denise Alexander; all approved.

PROPERTY CONDEMNATION REPORT – Condemnation Officer Bobby Smith gave no condemnation report. He then provided a written report with a total of 10 (ten) properties with discussion being held on Lots #56 & 58 on Edwards Drive.

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT – Deputy Police Chief Perry Hart presented Report with Log Sheet for the period of June 10 to July 8, 2019. The report contained the following: **1) Total Properties Inspected = 11; 2) Properties Brought to Standard = 8; 3) Summons Issued/Pending = 2; 4) Properties Currently Awaiting Follow-up = 1; and 5) Properties Awaiting Further Investigation = 15.** (Two properties discussed with Council were 107 N. Walnut St. -AND- 222 W. Atlanta St.)

MAYOR'S REPORT – Mayor Festavan report contained the following: **1) introductions of Kevin Hartzo, the new Director of Public Works & Streets and Annette Lewis, Environmental Services Coordinator; 2) grass and ditches; 3) the swimming pool closure and plans for a new waterpark; and 4) markings on Police cars.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY BOARD OF ALDERMEN – Michael Guthrie reported to Police Chief Ryan Nelson that he had been contacted by a local family praising one of the Vivian Police Officers in a matter regarding one of their elderly family members.

ADJOURN – Motion was made by Raymond Williams, second by Angela Channell; all approved. Meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

Ronnie Festavan, Mayor

July 19, 2019

Kellie Morris, Town Clerk