

CITY OF CROWLEY
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 13TH, 2018

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Louisiana, the governing authority of the City of Crowley, met in a regular session at 6:00 p.m. Wednesday the 13th day of March 2018 at the regular meeting place of said Mayor and Board of Aldermen, the Council Chambers, 426 North Avenue F, Crowley, Louisiana.

Mayor Pro-Tem Steven Premeaux presided with the following Aldermen present: Bryan Borill, J. Elliot Doré, Jeff Doré, Lyle Fogleman, Jr., Tim Monceaux, Ezora Proctor and Ira Thomas. Aldermen Vernon Martin was absent.

Alderman Ira Thomas led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Chief of Police Jimmy Broussard gave the invocation.

AGENDA AMENDMENT:

Alderman Ira Thomas offered a motion to amend the agenda to allow Mr. Ted Carmichael to speak regarding a zoning issue. Seconded by Alderman Elliot Doré and duly adopted after a unanimous vote.

Alderman Lyle Fogleman offered a motion to amend the agenda to consider the 2018 Beer and Liquor License Class A Retail Outlet beer and Class A Retail Outlet beer and liquor for Sam's Place located at 103 N Parkerson Avenue, Crowley, LA 70526. Seconded by Alderman Elliot Doré and duly adopted after a unanimous vote.

READING & APPROVAL OF MINUTES / BILLS:

Alderman Lyle Fogleman moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the February 14th, 2018 regular council meeting and approve them as written and distributed. Seconded by Alderman Ira Thomas and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Ezora Proctor moved to approve all bills presented for payment. Seconded by Alderman Jeff Premeaux and duly adopted.

MAYOR'S REPORTS:

Mayor Pro-Tem presented the Sales Tax chart and User Fee chart that track the collection trend.

Mayor Pro-Tem presented the monthly budget-to-actual comparisons that report the spending of major funds.

UTILITY COMMITTEE:

Chairperson – Alderman Vernon Martin
Vice-Chairperson – Alderman Ira Thomas
Members – Aldermen J. Elliot Doré, Jeff Doré, and Lyle Fogleman, Jr.

A motion was offered by Alderman Ira Thomas and seconded by Alderman Elliot Doré to approve Partial Payment Estimate No. 15 to Cecil Perry Improvements, LLC in the amount of eighty thousand eighty one dollars and thirty four cents (\$80,081.34) for “Restoration of the Rock Filter at the Waste Water Treatment Facility”. Motion carried.

Ted Carmichael addressed the council regarding issues on First Street where a towing company located in that area. He stated that enforcement of the ordinances needs to be addressed and asked the council to please see that the matter be taken care of accordingly.

Terry Morgan whose mother owns property located at 105 and 107 N. Avenue L, spoke regarding the same enforcement issues at same location.

RECREATION COMMITTEE:

Chairperson – Alderman Steven Premeaux
Vice-Chairperson – Alderman J. Elliot Doré
Members – Aldermen Lyle Fogleman, Jr., Tim Monceaux and Ezora Proctor

A motion was offered by Elliot Doré and seconded by Ezora Proctor to co-sponsor Orlando Thomas Family and Fun Day/parade. Motion carried.

REVENUE & FINANCES COMMITTEE:

Chairperson – Alderman J. Elliot Doré
Vice-Chairperson – Alderman Ira Thomas
Members – Aldermen Jeff Doré, Ezora Proctor, and Steven Premeaux

A motion was offered by Alderman Elliot Doré and seconded by Alderman Tim Monceaux accept the financial report for the year ended August 31, 2017 as presented by Rob Carter with Kolder, Champagne and Slaven Company. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION:

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Ira Thomas and seconded by Jeff Doré, and adopted.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, A NOTICE OF TERMINATION FOR CECIL PERRY IMPROVEMENTS, L.L.C., CONTRACTOR, PERTAINING TO THE COMPLETION OF THE CONTRACT FOR "RESTORATION OF THE ROCK FILTER" IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS CONTAINED IN THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS PERTAINING THERETO.

WHEREAS, a final inspection on the above referenced project was performed on March 12, 2018 and no incomplete miscellaneous work items were identified in the attached Punch List; and

WHEREAS, Cecil Perry Improvements, L.L.C., as Contractor, has substantially completed the "Restoration of the Rock Filter" project in accordance with the plans and specifications contained in the contract documents pertaining thereto; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley desires to accept the completed work;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Crowley that the Mayor of said City be, and is hereby empowered, authorized and directed to execute a Notice of Termination for and on behalf of the City of Crowley accepting the work as being substantially completed, and that he be authorized and directed to have a copy of said Notice recorded in the Conveyance Records of the Parish of Acadia, State of Louisiana.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 13th day of March, 2018, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, at which a quorum was present and acting throughout.

STEVEN PREMEAUX, MAYOR PRO TEM

ATTEST:

ERIN S. CRADEUR, CITY CLERK

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Elliot Doré and seconded by Tim Monceaux and adopted.

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY AUTHORIZING A STANDBY LETTER OF CREDIT TO BE ISSUED BY THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF LOUISIANA ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE LOUISIANA OFFICE OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$300,000.00; AND TO AUTHORIZE A REVOLVING LINE OF CREDIT UP TO \$300,000.00 EVIDENCED BY A PROMISSORY NOTE IN THE AMOUNT OF THE LETTER OF CREDIT; TO AUTHORIZE THE PLEDGE OF AN UNENCUMBERED CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT AS SECURITY FOR THE STANDBY LETTER OF CREDIT; AND TO PROVIDE ALL MATTER RELATIVE THERETO AND IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley has maintained and administered a self-insured workers' compensation plan approved by the Louisiana Office of Workers' Compensation and since 1994, the First National Bank has issued a Standby Letter of Credit on behalf of the City of Crowley in favor of the Louisiana Office of Workers' Compensation to secure the self-insured plan; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley was granted authority by the Louisiana State Bond Commission to pledge unencumbered excess funds up to \$300,000.00 in the form of Certificate of Deposit to secure a Standby Letter of Credit in the amount of \$300,000.00, as is more fully shown by reference to that certain Resolution of the Louisiana State Bond Commission No. L94-174 dated May 19, 1994; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary the City reauthorize a revolving line of credit, the issuance of a Standby Letter of Credit and the pledge a Certificate of Deposit to secure the Standby Letter of Credit as required by the Louisiana Office of Workers' Compensation; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, find that it is appropriate to continue the self-insured plan and to authorize the Mayor Pro-Tem to execute the promissory note and the pledge of funds as security;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Parish of Acadia, in regular session duly convened, that they do hereby authorize, empower and direct the Honorable Steven Premeaux, Mayor Pro-Tem of the City of Crowley, to execute an application for a line of credit in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00 from First National Bank of Louisiana, to approve the form and substance of the irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit, to execute a promissory note or notes in favor of the First National Bank of Louisiana in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00 payable on demand, said note or notes bearing simple interest at a variable rate per annum equal to three (3) percentage points over the six month CD rate, to pledge an unencumbered Certificate(s) of Deposit in an equivalent amount of the promissory note or notes to the First National Bank of Louisiana as security for the said Standby Letter of Credit and to authorize the assignment of the deposit account as required by the Bank; to pay an annual fee not to exceed one (1%) percent of the amount of the Standby Letter of Credit, to pay all costs and fees in connection with this transaction, to provide a governmental certificate of existence and authority, to pledge the irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit by the First National Bank of Louisiana on behalf of the City of Crowley to the Louisiana Office of Workers' Compensation up to \$300,000.00 as security for the City's self-insured workers' compensation program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Parish of Acadia, that the Honorable Steven Premeaux, Mayor Pro-Tem of the City of Crowley, be and he is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute any and all necessary forms, documents, assurances and provisions as may be meet and proper in the premises necessary to conclude said transaction.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, on this the 13th day of March, 2018, at which a quorum was present and acting throughout.

STEVEN PREMEAUX, MAYOR-PRO-TEM

ATTEST:

ERIN S. CRADEUR, CLERK

OTHER BUSINESS:

There being no further business to come before the Council upon motion duly made by Alderman Lyle Fogleman and seconded by Alderman Ezora Proctor the meeting was adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Presented rough draft to Mayor on March 14th, 2018 at 11:30 a.m.

Presented for Mayor's signature on March 14th, 2018 at 1:30 p.m.

Mayor signed & returned to City Clerk on March 14th, 2018 at 1:30 p.m.

Publish in newspaper on March 21st, 2018