

CITY OF CROWLEY
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 8TH, 2019

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. Tuesday the 11th day of January 2019 at the regular meeting place of said Mayor and Board of Aldermen, the Council Chambers, 426 North Avenue F, Crowley, Louisiana.

Mayor Tim Monceaux presided with the following Aldermen present: Jeff Cavell, Thompson Bradford Core, Clint Cradeur, Lyle Fogleman, Jr., Vernon Martin, Steven Premeaux, Samuel J. Reggie, III, Kim Stringfellow, and Byron K. Wilridge, Sr.

Alderman Byron Wilridge led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Alderwoman Kim Stringfellow gave the invocation.

PUBLIC HEARING:

City Attorney, Thomas Regan opened the rule to show for condemnation proceedings on property situated on Lot 81 of the Bartland Addition to the City of Crowley bearing a municipal address of 1415 North Avenue L, Crowley, Louisiana, belonging to Linda Lee Gaspard Meche. Tom Regan stated that they have been having difficulty in reaching the property owner. Mr. Regan asked that the council postpone the matter. Alderman Lyle Fogleman made a motion to continue the matter at the March 12th, 2019 meeting seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin. Motion carried.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS:

A motion was made by Alderman Steven Premeaux to amend the agenda to include and consider introducing an ordinance for small cell development from Cox Communications. Seconded by Alderman Brad Core and duly adopted by a unanimous vote.

READING & APPROVAL OF MINUTES / BILLS:

Alderman Steven Premeaux moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the December 11th, 2018 council meeting and approve them as written and distributed. Seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin and duly adopted.

Alderman Vernon Martin moved to approve all bills presented for payment. Seconded by Alderwoman Kim Stringfellow and duly adopted.

APPOINTMENTS:

Mayor Tim Monceaux opened nominations for Mayor Pro-Tem. A motion was offered by Alderman Jeff Cavell and seconded by Alderman Lyle Fogleman to nominate Steven Premeaux as Mayor Pro-Tem. Mayor Tim Monceaux closed the nominations. A roll call vote was held with the following votes:

YEAS: Jeff Cavell, Brad Core, Clint Cradeur, Lyle Fogleman, Vernon Martin,
Steven Premeaux, Sammy Reggie, Kim Stringfellow and Byron Wilridge.
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

Motion carried. Alderman Steven Premeaux was appointed Mayor Pro-Tem.

Mayor Tim Monceaux opened nominations for First Alternate Mayor Pro-Tem. A motion was offered by Alderman Steven Premeaux and seconded by Alderman Brad Core to nominate Clint Cradeur as First Alternate Mayor Pro-Tem. Mayor Tim Monceaux closed the nominations. A roll call vote was held with the following votes:

YEAS: Jeff Cavell, Brad Core, Clint Cradeur, Lyle Fogleman, Vernon Martin,
Steven Premeaux, Sammy Reggie, Kim Stringfellow and Byron Wilridge.
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

Motion carried. Alderman Clint Cradeur was appointed Mayor Pro-Tem 1st Alternate.

Mayor Tim Monceaux opened nominations for Second Alternate Mayor Pro-Tem. A motion was offered by Alderman Jeff Cavell and seconded by Alderman Steven Premeaux to nominate Brad Core as Second Alternate Mayor Pro-Tem. A motion was offered by Alderman Vernon Martin and seconded by Alderwoman Kim Stringfellow to nominate Byron Wilridge as Second Alternate Mayor Pro Tem. Mayor Tim Monceaux closed the nominations. A roll call vote was held first for Alderman Brad Core and are as follows:

YEAS: Jeff Cavell, Brad Core, Clint Cradeur, Lyle Fogleman, Steven Premeaux,
Sammy Reggie, and Byron Wilridge.
NAYS: Vernon Martin, Kim Stringfellow
ABSENT: NONE

Nomination failed for Byron Wilridge and motion carried for Brad Core. Alderman Brad Core was appointed Second Alternate Mayor Pro-Tem.

Alderman Vernon Martin moved to ratify the Mayor's appointment of Erin Cradeur as City Clerk and Tax Collector. Seconded by Alderman Lyle Fogleman where a roll call vote was held as follows:

YEAS: Lyle Fogleman, Vernon Martin, Steven Premeaux, Sammy Reggie, and
Kim Stringfellow.
NAYS: Jeff Cavell, Brad Core, Clint Cradeur, and Byron Wilridge
ABSENT: NONE

Erin Cradeur was confirmed as City Clerk and Tax Collector.

Mayor Tim Monceaux nominated Brent Spell as Street Commissioner. A roll call vote was held as follows:

YEAS: NONE
NAYS: Jeff Cavell, Brad Core, Clint Cradeur, Lyle Fogleman, Vernon Martin,
Steven Premeaux, Sammy Reggie, Kim Stringfellow, Byron Wilridge
ABSENT: NONE

The nomination failed.

Mayor Tim Monceaux nominated Thomas K. Regan as the City Attorney. A roll call vote was held as follows:

YEAS: Jeff Cavell, Brad Core, Clint Cradeur, Lyle Fogleman, Vernon Martin,
Steven Premeaux, Sammy Reggie, Kim Stringfellow, Byron Wilridge
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

Mr. Thomas Regan was appointed as City Attorney.

Mayor Tim Monceaux nominated Jody Viator as the Fire Chief. A roll call vote was held as follows:

YEAS: Jeff Cavell, Brad Core, Clint Cradeur, Lyle Fogleman, Vernon Martin,
Steven Premeaux, Sammy Reggie, Kim Stringfellow, Byron Wilridge
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

Mr. Jody Viator has been confirmed as Fire Chief.

Mayor Tim Monceaux nominated Tony Duhon as the City Inspector. A roll call vote was held as follows:

YEAS: Jeff Cavell, Brad Core, Clint Cradeur, Lyle Fogleman, Vernon Martin,
Steven Premeaux, Sammy Reggie, Kim Stringfellow, Byron Wilridge
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

Mr. Tony Duhon has been confirmed as City Inspector.

Mayor Tim Monceaux nominated Albert John as the Public Works Director. A roll call vote was held as follows:

YEAS: Jeff Cavell, Brad Core, Clint Cradeur, Lyle Fogleman, Vernon Martin, Steven Premeaux, Sammy Reggie, Kim Stringfellow, Byron Wilridge

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Mr. Albert John has been confirmed as Public Works Director.

Mayor Tim Monceaux nominated Ed Dartez as Recreation Director. A roll call vote was held as follows:

YEAS: NONE

NAYS: Jeff Cavell, Brad Core, Clint Cradeur, Lyle Fogleman, Vernon Martin, Steven Premeaux, Sammy Reggie, Kim Stringfellow, Byron Wilridge

ABSENT: NONE

The nomination failed.

Mayor Tim Monceaux nominated Tim Cradeur as Wastewater Superintendent. A roll call vote was held as follows:

YEAS: Jeff Cavell, Brad Core, Clint Cradeur, Lyle Fogleman, Vernon Martin, Steven Premeaux, Sammy Reggie, Kim Stringfellow, Byron Wilridge

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Tim Cradeur was confirmed as Wastewater Superintendent.

Mayor Tim Monceaux nominated Tim Mader as City Engineer. A roll call vote was held as follows:

YEAS: Jeff Cavell, Brad Core, Clint Cradeur, Lyle Fogleman, Vernon Martin, Steven Premeaux, Sammy Reggie, Kim Stringfellow, Byron Wilridge

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Tim Mader was confirmed as City Engineer

Mayor Tim Monceaux reopened nominations for Recreation Director and nominated Peter Kirsch. A roll call vote was held as follows:

YEAS: Jeff Cavell, Brad Core, , Lyle Fogleman, Vernon Martin, Steven Premeaux, Sammy Reggie, Kim Stringfellow, Byron Wilridge

NAYS: Clint Cradeur

ABSENT: NONE

Peter Kirsch was confirmed as Recreation Director

MAYOR'S REPORTS:

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

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

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

Chairperson – Alderman Thompson Bradford Core.

Vice-Chairperson – Alderman Byron K. Wilridge, Sr.

Members – Aldermen Vernon Martin, Kim Stringfellow and Steven Premeaux

A motion was offered by Alderman Brad Core and seconded by Alderman Jeff Cavell to renew a 2019 Class A Retail Outlet Beer Permit and a 2019 Class A Retail Outlet Liquor Permit for Darlene Thibodeaux, d/b/a Vanilla Bean, llc located at 414 N. Parkerson Avenue, Crowley, LA. Motion carried.

Walter Andrus addressed the council regarding issues of crimes and homicides that are happening in the third ward. He would like for the council to consider putting video surveillance at the entrances of the Bobby Smith I and II housing complex. He has also requested another location of 7th Street and Jacobs Avenue that has also had high crime area. Council has noted his concerns.

PUBLIC BUILDING COMMITTEE:

Chairperson – Alderman Byron K. Wilridge, Sr.

Vice-Chairperson – Alderman Kim Stringfellow.

Members – Aldermen Thompson Bradford Core, Clint Cradeur, and Steven Premeaux

A motion was made by Alderman Byron K. Wilridge and seconded by Alderman Steven Premeaux to approve the request of Ms. Tasha Senegal representing One Voice, One Choice, a not-for-profit 501(C)(3) organization, for the City of Crowley to co-sponsor a clothes, shoes, and/or toy drive for Crowley children between the ages of 0 to 16 years old, to be held at the Rice Festival Building, on Thursday, December 19th, 2019, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., and to waive the \$250.00 clean-up fee. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS:

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Vernon Martin and seconded by Alderman Lyle Fogleman, and duly resolved and adopted.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, INTRODUCING A PROPOSED ORDINANCE AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING SAME.

WHEREAS, an ordinance has been proposed to be adopted by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley; and

WHEREAS, the proposed ordinance must be introduced by its title; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing must be held prior to its adoption; and

WHEREAS, the title of the proposed ordinance must be published in the official journal and the notice shall provide the time and place where the Board will consider its adoption;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, that the following ordinance be and it is hereby introduced for consideration at a special meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, to-wit:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, TO ADD THERETO ZONING AND SITING REQUIRMENTS AND REGULATIONS FOR PERMITTING FOR ANTENNAS AND WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES WITHIN THE CITY OF CROWLEY; TO PROVIDE FOR THE PROVISIONS HEREOF TO BE SEVERABLE; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES CONTRARY THERETO OR IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen that the City Clerk shall publish the following notice in the Crowley Post Signal:

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE
AND PUBLIC HEARING

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley shall meet in special session on the 14th day of January, 2019, at 4:30 o'clock p.m. in the Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, Criminal Justice Building, 426 North Avenue F, Crowley, Louisiana, to consider the adoption of the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, TO ADD THERETO ZONING AND SITING REQUIRMENTS AND REGULATIONS FOR PERMITTING FOR ANTENNAS AND WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES WITHIN THE CITY OF CROWLEY; TO PROVIDE FOR THE PROVISIONS HEREOF TO BE SEVERABLE; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES CONTRARY THERETO OR IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

Copies of the proposed ordinance are available for a nominal fee in the office of the City Clerk, City Hall, Crowley, Louisiana.
THUS DONE AND SIGNED on this the 10th day of January, 2019.

ERIN S. CRADEUR, CITY CLERK

THUS DONE, SIGNED AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 8th day of January 2019, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

TIM MONCEAUX, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ERIN S. CRADEUR, CITY CLERK

OTHER BUSINESS:

Mrs. Shirley Bratton approached the council regarding possible having the sound evaluated at the meetings. She stated it has been very difficult to hear during the meetings.

Mr. Troy Breaux asked to consider videoing the meetings and have them posted publicly on the website or social media.

There being no further business to come before the Council upon motion duly made by Alderman Jeff Cavell and seconded by Alderman Brad Core the meeting was adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Presented rough draft to Mayor on January 10th, 2019 at 12:20 p.m.

Presented for Mayor signature on January 10th, 2019 at .m.

Mayor signed & returned to City Clerk on January 10th, 201 at .m.

Publish in newspaper on January 18th, 2019