

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
HELD AT SCOTT CITY HALL
THURSDAY, March 2, 2023 AT 6:00 PM**

The Mayor and City Council Members met in Regular Session, Thursday, March 2, 2023 all council members were present.

Councilman Domingue led the Prayer and Pledge.

Councilman Domingue motioned to accept the minutes from the February 2, 2023 meeting as written. Seconded by Councilman Montoucet, motion approved.

Councilman Montoucet motioned to accept the January 2023 Financial Statement. Seconded by Councilman Boudreaux.

Mayor Richard invited everyone to attend the Final Comprehensive Plan Draft Review on March 22, 2023 at 6pm in the Scott Events Center. Also, the Mayor was pleased to be selected as one of the 98 recipients of the 2023 Keep Louisiana Beautiful trash receptacle grant program made possible with funding from the State of Louisiana and the Office of the Lieutenant Governor. The City of Scott will install 10 trash receptacles at the Scott City Park, La Maison De Begnaud House, and Memramcook Park.

Mr. Mark Savoy with Groom's Engineering and Mrs. Anna Doucet, Fenstermaker & Assoc. gave a brief update on on-going projects.

Councilman Moreau motioned to adopt Ordinance 2023-1, an Ordinance amending Sec 16-15 of the Scott Municipal code regarding fireworks. No discussion. Seconded by Councilman Domingue, motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Moreau motioned to move item #12 to #2. Seconded by Councilman Domingue, motion carried unanimously. Mr. William Babin then swore Mr. Larry Isadore as the Police Department employee and Mr. Justin Douet, as the Fire Department employee as the City of Scott representatives on the Civil Service Board. No opposition to these appointments.

Mayor Richard presented the "State of Scott," a summary of all of the projects, grants, events, and upcoming projects that took place in the last year.

Chief Sonnier gave an update on the needs of the Scott Volunteer Fire Department. Chief Sonnier also asked the Mayor and Council for permission to apply for another Safer Grant for three full time firemen. Councilman Moreau motioned to add the item, Approval to apply for the Safer Grant to the agenda. Seconded by Councilman Roy, motion carried unanimously. Councilman Montoucet motioned to give Chief Sonnier approval to apply for the Safer Grant for three full time firemen. If awarded the grant, the final approval will be placed on the agenda at that time to accept. Seconded by Councilman Domingue, motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Domingue motioned to grant the variance to Sec 14-27 Noise Ordinance for Fright Trail located at 5401 Cameron Street for the month of October 2023. Mr. Rich Hanf, owner was present to request the variance. Seconded by Councilman Roy, motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Montoucet motioned to adopt Resolution 2023-6, A Resolution authorizing the sales of certain movable properties owned by the City of Scott, and no longer needed for public purposes. The Mayor stated that this was items no longer used or in working condition from the Public Works Department. Seconded by Councilman Boudreaux, motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Montoucet motioned to adopt Resolution 2023-7, A Resolution of the city council for the City of Scott declaring the structure located at municipal address 723 Marie Street, Scott, Louisiana, owned by Harold Duhon and Virginia Duhon, to be dilapidated and dangerous to the public welfare and ordering the condemnation of same. Seconded by Councilman Domingue motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Domingue motioned to adopt Resolution 2023-8, A Resolution accepting certain act of donation for Berchman Oaks, Phase 2 with the contingency of withholding all permits and Certificates of Occupancy until remaining issues and work are approved by city engineers. Mayor Richard stated that the grade work is not up to standard or near completion. Seconded by Councilman Moreau, motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Montoucet motioned to adopt Resolution 2023-9. A Resolution authorizing the mayor to submit a loan application to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality for improvements to the sewer collection system. Mr. Earl Paddock with Grooms Engineering stated that this loan would be to upgrade and/or replace sewer pump stations. The scope of the project is estimated to costs \$3.5 million but up to 49% of the loan could be covered by matching grants by the revolving loan grantor. Mr. Paddock also said that the applications are due at the end of March and final acceptance of the loan will be brought back to the Council for a vote. Seconded by Councilman Roy, motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Roy introduced Ordinance 2023-2, An Ordinance amending Sec. 10-116 of the Scott Municipal Code regarding permits for food trucks. This amendment would allow for food truck on the day of the Mardi Gras Parade. Ordinance 2023-2 will be up for adoption at the next regular council meeting scheduled for April 7, 2023 at 6pm.

Councilman Boudreaux introduced Ordinance 2023-3, An Ordinance amending Chapter 18 regulating development drainage detention. This Ordinance will create stricter aeration requirements. Ordinance 2023-3 will be up for adoption at the next regular council meeting scheduled for April 7, 2023, at 6pm.

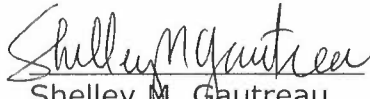
Councilman Boudreaux introduced Ordinance 2023-4, An Ordinance providing for the incurring of debt and issuance of Three Million Dollars (\$3,000,000) of Sales Tax Bond Series 2023 of the City of Scott, State of Louisiana, and providing for other matters in connection therewith. This bond will be used to purchase and improve property for Scott Park. Ordinance 2023-4 will be up for adoption at the next regular council meeting scheduled for April 7, 2023 at 6pm.

Councilman Moreau motioned to approve change order number 2 for FY 2021 LCDBG Sewer System Improvement Project contingent upon approval by the Office of Community Development. Seconded by Councilman Montoucet, motion carried unanimously. Councilman Boudreaux introduced Ordinance 2023-5, an ordinance providing for a moratorium on the approval of property for use as storage site facilities as storage units. Ordinance 2023-5 will be up for adoption at the next regular council meeting scheduled for April 7, 2023 at 6pm.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.



Jan-Scott Richard
Mayor



Shelley M. Gautreau
City Clerk