

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
HELD AT SCOTT CITY HALL
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2023 AT 6:00 PM**

The Mayor and City Council Members met in Regular Session, Thursday, December 7, 2023. All council members and Mayor were present.

Councilman Domingue led the Prayer and Pledge.

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

Councilman Montoucet motioned to accept the minutes from the November 9, 2023 special meeting as written. Seconded by Councilman Boudreaux, motion approved.

Councilman Boudreaux motioned to accept the October 2023 Financial Statement. Seconded by Councilman Roy.

Mayor Richard reminded everyone to attend "Joyeux Noel" on December 9th 10-1pm at the Begnaud House along with a few other reminders.

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

Councilman Boudreaux motioned to approve the Financial Report ending June 30, 2023 presented by Mr. Burton Kolder and Mr. Brad Kolder with Kolder, Slaven, and Associates. Mr. Kolder stated that the City of Scott was in good financial standing. Seconded by Councilman Roy, motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Roy motioned to increase the current Capitalization Policy from \$1,000 to \$5,000 for the fixed asset schedule. Seconded by Councilman Domingue, motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Montoucet motioned to adopt Ordinance 2023-20, an Ordinance amending sec. 8-113 of the Scott Municipal Code and Appendix C Schedule of fines and penalties. No discussion. Seconded by Councilman Boudreaux, motioned carried unanimously.

Councilman Boudreaux motioned to adopt Ordinance 2023-21, an Ordinance levying within the City of Scott, State of Louisiana, a tax of five percent (5%) (the "Tax") upon the rent or free charged for the occupancy of hotel rooms within the City, effective January 1, 2024, and providing for other matters in connection therewith. No discussion. Seconded by Councilman Domingue motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Moreau motioned to adopt Ordinance 2023-22, An Ordinance providing for the levy within the City of Scott, State of Louisiana, effective January 1, 2024,

of a 1% sales and use tax (the "Tax") upon the sale at retail, the use, the lease or rental, the consumption, and the storage for use or consumption, of tangible personal property and upon the sale of services in said City and for the assessment, collection, payment thereof and the dedication of the proceeds of said Tax and the purpose for which the proceeds of the Tax may be expended, said Tax having been authorized at a special election held in the City on October 14, 2023. No discussion or questions. Seconded by Councilman Roy, motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Montoucet motioned to adopt Resolution 2023-42, A Resolution requesting financial assistance from the State of Louisiana under the fiscal year 2023-2024 Local Government Assistance Program and Community Water Enrichment Fund Program. Seconded by Councilman Domingue, motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Boudreaux motioned to adopt Resolution 2023-43, A Resolution authorizing the mayor to execute a contract for engineering and associated services between the City of Scott and C.H. Fenstermaker and Associates, LLC. This contract will be for the new sewer plant. Councilman Domingue seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Councilman Moreau motioned to adopt Resolution 2023-44, A Resolution authorizing the application to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality by the City of Scott, Louisiana. This would give the Mayor authority to apply for a loan to fund the new sewer plant through the Department of Environmental Quality program.

Councilman Roy motioned to adopt Resolution 2023-46, A Resolution authorizing the mayor to execute a services agreement between the City of Scott and Safety Management Systems, LLC. This agreement would replace the drug screening company that closed their business. Seconded by Councilman Montoucet, motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Montoucet motioned to adopt Resolution 2023-47, A Resolution authorizing the mayor to execute a mutual assistance agreement between the Scott Police Department and the Acadia Parish Sheriff Office. Assistance Chief Calhoun stated that this agreement would allow the two departments to share services such as security detail. Seconded by Councilman Boudreaux, motion carried unanimously.

Councilman motioned to adopt Resolution 2023-48, A Resolution authorizing the mayor to execute amendment no. 1 to contract for engineering services for public work projects. Seconded by Councilman Boudreaux, motion carried unanimously.

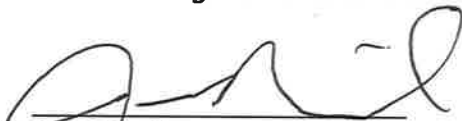
Councilman Boudreaux motioned to adopt Resolution 2023-49, A Resolution authorizing the mayor to execute a servitude agreement between City of Scott and Joseph J. Sonnier, Adrienne Sonnier Rivoire, Jami Sonnier Latiolais, Geneva Faye Trahan Boudreaux, Todd A. Boudreaux, Thad James Boudreaux, and Troy David

Boudreaux. Mayor Richard explained that this would be for the servitude agreement for a waterline expansion on the northern portion of the Frontage Road for the Water Sector Grant Program. Seconded by Councilman Roy, motion carried unanimously.

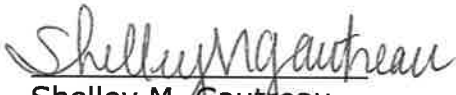
Councilman Domingue motioned to approve the appeal of variance request denial for auto/ vehicle dealership for Prestige Auto Sales located at 4895 Cameron Street. The property owner is Mr. James S. Vilas. Several members of the audience spoke against and in favor. Motion died for a lack of second motion.

Councilman Montoucet motioned to grant variance to Parade Ordinance. Seconded by Councilman Roy, motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 7:13 pm.



Jan-Scott Richard
Mayor



Shelley M. Gautreau
City Clerk