

MINUTES  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
March 24th, 1981  
6:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by President of the Council Salvatore A. Caruso. All council members and Mayor Hart were present with the exception of Councilmen Hinton and Martin.

It was moved by Councilman Singletary, seconded by Councilwoman Wood, that the following Consent Calendar be adopted:

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approval of March 10th and 17th, 1981 Minutes

2. Proposed Ordinances: (Public Hearing April 14th, 1981)

- a. Item No. 81-3-293 (Regulation of Health Spas and Similar Establishments)
- b. Item No. 81-3-294 (1978 Model Municipal Criminal Code Adopted)
- c. Item No. 81-3-295 (Amendment to Comprehensive Plan)
- d. Item No. 81-3-296 (Ordinance No. 1363 Amendment)

3. Proposed Resolutions:

- a. Economic Development Administration
- b. St. Tammany Parish Homebuilders Association Clean Water Study, Phase I
- c. Emergency Vehicle

4. Approval of Application for Liquor/Beer Permit  
a. Frank W. Haines and Debra L. Habarta d/b/a The Green Felt, 230 Cousin Street

ROLL CALL                      7 Yeas                      0 Nays                      2 Absent                      CARRIED

It was moved by Councilwoman Wood, seconded by Councilwoman Gallinghouse, that the Council's Rules of Procedure be suspended in order to take up Agenda Item No. 6, Slide 11 Beautification Committee, at this time.

ROLL CALL                      7 Yeas                      0 Nays                      2 Absent                      CARRIED

Reverend Bert Locker addressed the Council on behalf of the Slide 11 Beautification Committee asking the Council to adopt a resolution declaring April as "Clean City Month" for the City of Slide 11. Councilwoman Wood, seconded by Councilwoman Gallinghouse, introduced and moved the adoption of the resolution declaring April as "Clean City Month".

ROLL CALL                      7 Yeas                      0 Nays                      2 Absent                      CARRIED

Councilman Martin joins the meeting at 6:45 P.M.

Mayor Hart advised in a letter dated March 24th, 1981, that sealed bids were opened in his office at 10:00 A.M. on Monday, March 23rd, in the presence of Mrs. Billie Spiers, Mrs. Virginia Roe, and Mrs. Emily Mills, for a dump truck for the public works department and the following bids were received:

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| Crescent Ford Truck Sales, Inc.           | \$14,834.00 |
| 121 Jefferson Highway                     |             |
| Jefferson, Louisiana 70121                |             |
| Louis Schwartz International Trucks, Inc. | \$14,530.62 |
| 500 Gentilly Road                         |             |
| P.O. Box 7209                             |             |
| New Orleans, Louisiana 70186              |             |

Acting upon the recommendation of Mayor Hart, it was moved by Councilman Singletary, seconded by Councilwoman Gallinghouse, that the low bid of Louis Schwartz International Trucks, Inc. in the amount of \$14,530.62, be accepted for the dump truck.

ROLL CALL                      8 Yeas                      0 Nays                      1 Absent                      CARRIED



As advertised, a public hearing was opened in connection with Item No. 81-2-277, a proposed ordinance rezoning a portion of Lots 15-16, Lots 17 through 28, Square 24, Brugier Addition. Councilwoman Wood made opening comments and referred to a resolution passed by the St. Tammany Parish School Board opposing this rezoning because of the traffic problems it would cause in the area of the Florida Avenue Elementary School. Attorney Chris Smith representing the petitioners, Naomi S. and James G. Sloat, spoke in favor of the rezoning and read a letter from Mrs. Sloat stating reasons they were requesting the rezoning. Mr. Roy Holman, the realtor representing the Sloat's, also spoke in favor of the rezoning. Mr. Ralph Moran, President of the Brugier Homeowner's Association, addressed the Council speaking in opposition to the rezoning saying the safety of the school children should always be considered and that traffic in that area was already very congested. Mr. James Byrne, Chairman of the Planning Commission, stated the Planning Commission rejected the rezoning because of heavy traffic in the area and the concern for the safety of the school children. It was moved by Councilman Singletary, seconded by Councilwoman Wood, that the recommendation of the Planning Commission be accepted and this rezoning request be denied.

ROLL CALL

9 Years

0 Days

CARRIED

As advertised, a public hearing was opened in connection with Item No. 81-2-278, a proposed ordinance annexing and zoning .74 acre southeast of Robert Road. The petitioner's husband, Mr. Driscoll, addressed the Council requesting the adoption of the annexation ordinance stating that they were receiving city water and sewerage and felt they should be paying city taxes. It was moved by Councilwoman Gallinghouse, seconded by Councilman Barthelmy, that Ordinance No. 1371 be adopted.

ROLL CALL

9 Years

0 Days

CARRIED

As advertised, a public hearing was opened in connection with Item No. 81-2-279, a proposed ordinance amending Section 2.1601 of Zoning Ordinance No. 795 regarding modular units. Margaret Williams, City Planner, explained the proposed ordinance stating it would add to uses in C-2 Neighborhood Commercial districts modular units for a period of one (1) year and it would enable the permit officer to have a reference to distinguish the difference between trailers and modular units. As no one else indicated their desire to be heard, the public hearing was closed. After council discussion, it was moved by Councilman Barthelmy, seconded by Councilwoman Gallinghouse, that the proposed ordinance be tabled until a penalty could be determined for allowing such a structure to remain longer than one (1) year and an amendment could be prepared to reflect this.

ROLL CALL

9 Years

0 Days

CARRIED

As advertised, a public hearing was opened in connection with Item No. 81-2-280, a proposed ordinance amending Part 9, Definitions, of Zoning Ordinance No. 795 regarding modular units. Margaret Williams explained that this proposed ordinance was to add the definition of modular structure to the Zoning Ordinance and was in conjunction with Item No. 81-2-279 above. As no one indicated their desire to be heard, the public hearing was closed. It was moved by Councilman Singletary, seconded by Councilwoman Wood, that the proposed ordinance be tabled until Item No. 81-2-279 was brought up for council action again.

ROLL CALL

7 Years

0 Days

2 Not Voting CARRIED  
(Barthelmy/Gallinghouse)

As advertised, a public hearing was opened in connection with Item No. 81-2-281, a proposed ordinance amending the Subdivision Regulations of the City of Slidell Code of Ordinances. Councilwoman Wood explained the proposed ordinance stating it was to clarify some existing problems with final plat filing and to make certain that all necessary documents are filed properly. Mr. James Byrne of the Planning Commission, explained the specific problems this ordinance would eliminate with regard to final plat filing. Margaret Williams explained how the \$35.00 fee was determined. As no one else indicated their desire to be heard, the public hearing was closed. Councilman Singletary, seconded by Councilman Hinton, introduced and moved the adoption of an amendment to include the signature of the

President of the City Council on the film positive and the prints of the approved plat.

ROLL CALL  
On Amendment 8 Years 1 Nay  
(Wood) CARRIED

Councilwoman Wood, seconded by Councilman Hinton, moved the adoption of Ordinance No. 1372, as amended.

ROLL CALL 9 Years 0 Nays CARRIED

As advertised, a public hearing was opened in connection with Item No. 81-2-282, a proposed ordinance amending Ordinance No. 1087, Public Officials Performance Insurance, to add the Board of Zoning Adjustment and the Planning Commission and the Zoning Commission to the list of city officials protected by this ordinance. As no one indicated their desire to be heard, the public hearing was closed and it was moved by Councilwoman Wood, seconded by Councilman Washington, that Ordinance No. 1373 be adopted.

ROLL CALL 9 Years 0 Nays CARRIED

As advertised, a public hearing was opened in connection with Item No. 81-2-283, a proposed ordinance amending Part 7, Board of Zoning Adjustment, of Zoning Ordinance No. 795, stating the vote required to transact business. Councilman Singletary explained the proposed ordinance and as no one indicated their desire to be heard, the public hearing was closed. Mr. Reinhard Dearing explained the need for a technical amendment to change the number of the new section. Councilman Singletary, seconded by Councilman Martin, moved the adoption of the amendment changing Section No. 7.6 to 7.7.

ROLL CALL 8 Years 0 Nays 1 Not Voting  
(Martin) CARRIED

Councilman Singletary, seconded by Councilwoman Wood, moved the adoption of Ordinance No. 1374, as amended.

ROLL CALL 9 Years 0 Nays CARRIED

It was moved by Councilman Martin, seconded by Councilman Hinton, that the Council's Rules of Procedure be suspended in order to discuss the railroad issue.

ROLL CALL 9 Years 0 Nays CARRIED

Mrs. Carol Sumner addressed the Council presenting petitions signed by over 500 citizens requesting better protection at railroad crossings in Slide11. Mayor Hart stated he had been in contact with the Department of Transportation in reference to the annexation of Highway 11 property from the present city limits north to Brown's Switch Road. Mayor Hart stated they informed him the City has the right to annex that section of road and if a copy of the annexation ordinance would be forwarded to them, they would extend the City's Cooperative Agreement for state road work to include that section of State highway. Mayor Hart urged the Council to adopt an annexation ordinance as soon as possible in order for the city to extend the 25 MPH speed limit on trains all the way to Brown's Switch Road. It was moved by Councilwoman Gallinghouse, seconded by Councilman Martin, that the Council's Rules of Procedure be suspended in order for the introduction of an ordinance.

ROLL CALL 9 Years 0 Nays CARRIED

Councilwoman Gallinghouse, seconded by Councilman Singletary, introduced Item No. 81-3-298, a proposed ordinance annexing Highway 11 property from the present city limits north to Brown's Switch Road. Councilwoman Gallinghouse, seconded by Councilman Martin, moved the introduction of Item No. 81-3-298.

ROLL CALL 9 Years 0 Nays CARRIED

It was moved by Councilman Martinez, seconded by Councilman Martin, that a letter be sent to all appropriate state agencies and Southern Railway asking for proper wording to show cause why the council should not adopt the proposed ordinance annexing the Highway 11 property.

ROLL CALL                      9 Years                      0 Days                      CARRIED

At 9:20 P.M. the meeting recessed. At 9:45 P.M., the meeting reconvened with all council members and Mayor Hart present.

It was moved by Councilman Hinton, seconded by Councilman Singletary, that the Council's Rules of Procedure be suspended in order for the introduction of a resolution.

ROLL CALL                      9 Years                      0 Days                      CARRIED

Councilman Hinton, seconded by Councilman Singletary, introduced and moved the adoption of a resolution wishing the L.S.U. Basketball Team the best of luck and a victory in the NCAA playoffs and the championships.

ROLL CALL                      9 Years                      0 Days                      CARRIED

Slide11's participation in the Regional Solid Waste Resource Recovery Program was discussed. Dave Markarski, City Planning Department, reported on projected costs on resource recovery versus local landfills. Councilman Martinez urged approval for continuation into Phase II of the Study. Councilman Martinez, seconded by Councilwoman Wood, introduced and moved the adoption of a resolution authorizing continuation into Phase II of the Regional Solid Waste Resource Recovery Study.

ROLL CALL                      8 Years                      0 Days                      1 Not Voting                      CARRIED  
(Hinton)

Councilman Hinton leaves the meeting at 10:00 P.M.

Mrs. Virginia Roe, Director of Finance, presented the 1981-82 Operating Budget to the Council. It was moved by Councilwoman Wood, seconded by Councilman Martin, that the Council accept for introduction Item No. 81-3-297, the proposed 1981-82 Operating Budget Appropriations Ordinance.

ROLL CALL                      8 Years                      0 Days                      1 Absent                      CARRIED

It was the consensus of the Council that a special meeting be held on Monday, April 13th, 1981, at 6:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers for the purpose of holding a public hearing on the 1981-82 Operating Budget as presented.

Councilman Washington, co-sponsored by Councilman Caruso, introduced a resolution declaring Sunday, April 5th, 1981, a day of prayer in regard to the twenty murdered children in Atlanta, seconded by Councilman Martin. Councilman Washington, seconded by Councilman Martin, moved the adoption of the resolution.

ROLL CALL                      8 Years                      0 Days                      1 Absent                      CARRIED

Mr. Dick Murley, Roessle & Cartier, reported to the Council that the User Charge System for the 201 Sewerage Improvement Project which their firm had prepared based on a water metering system was in the hands of the Environmental Protection Agency for their action. Mr. Murley verified that the Council to date had complied with everything that was required of them regarding the Council's part in the 201 Sewerage Improvement Project.

Mr. Lloyd Walters, City Attorney, reported on the right-of-way acquisitions for the 201 Plan stating he was trying to sign up as many people as possible by the next council meeting and if some of the homeowners could not be satisfied, he would recommend expropriation procedures be authorized.

Mayor Hart reported on the status of the Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Slidell, the Town of Pearl River, and St. Tammany Parish Sewerage District No. 7 with regard to operating and managing the sewage treatment facility in connection with the 201 Sewerage Improvement Project. Mayor Hart stated that he had met with Mayor Harper of Pearl River and that Mayor Harper indicated a willingness to go along with the Agreement with only a few minor changes. Mayor Hart was more concerned about Sewerage District No. 7 agreeing to the proposal stating they had serious disagreements with the proposal and felt the treatment plant should be managed by a Management Board. After discussion, it was moved by Councilman Barthelmy, seconded by Councilman Washington, that discussion on this matter be tabled until the April 14th, 1981 meeting of the Council.

ROLL CALL                      8 Yeas                      0 Nays                      1 Absent                      CARRIED

Fire Chief Ed Poppler of St. Tammany Fire Protection District #1 addressed the Council on defective fire hydrants in the city asking that the hydrants be repaired and that a maintenance program be set up to keep the hydrants in working order. He stated there were twenty-three hydrants in need of major repair and one-hundred seventeen in need of minor repair throughout the city. Chief Poppler stated his men could perform maintenance on fire hydrants (for the first year) if the city would furnish them the necessary tools. It was moved by Councilman Singletary, seconded by Councilman Washington, that the Administration be requested to furnish the Fire Department, through Chief Ed Poppler, adjustable pipe wrenches and grease in order for them to perform maintenance on the fire hydrants.

ROLL CALL                      8 Yeas                      0 Nays                      1 Absent                      CARRIED

It was moved by Councilman Singletary, seconded by Councilwoman Wood, that the Council's Rules of Procedure be suspended for the introduction of two ordinances.

ROLL CALL                      8 Yeas                      0 Nays                      1 Absent                      CARRIED

Councilman Singletary, seconded by Councilwoman Gallinghouse, introduced Item No. 81-3-299, a proposed ordinance adopting the 1981-82 Operating Budget, with the public hearing to be held on April 13th, 1981.

ROLL CALL                      8 Yeas                      0 Nays                      1 Absent                      CARRIED

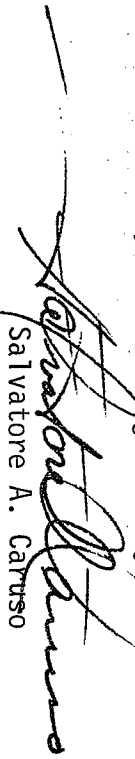
Councilman Singletary, seconded by Councilwoman Gallinghouse, introduced Item No. 81-3-300, a proposed ordinance adopting the 1981-82 Capital Improvement Budget Ordinance, with a public hearing to be held on April 13th, 1981.

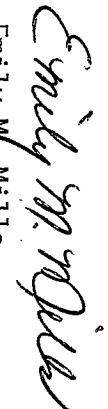
ROLL CALL                      8 Yeas                      0 Nays                      1 Absent                      CARRIED

It was moved by Councilman Singletary, seconded by Councilwoman Gallinghouse, acting upon the recommendation of the City's Plumbing Board, that Mr. James Honeycutt be issued a plumbing occupational license.

ROLL CALL                      8 Yeas                      0 Nays                      1 Absent                      CARRIED

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 P.M.

  
Salvatore A. Caruso  
Councilman, District C  
President of the Council

  
Emily M. Mills  
Clerk of the Council