

MINUTES
SLIDELL CITY COUNCIL
JUNE 23, 1987
6:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by the President of the Council, Councilman Washington. All Council members were present.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilman at Large Martinez, seconded by Councilman Van Sandt moved to adopt the following Consent Calendar:

1. Approval of the minutes of the June 9, 1987 meeting.
2. Proposed Ordinances:
 - a. Item No. 87-06-1181: Annexing and Zoning (N.M.E. Hospitals, Inc.) and authorizing the execution of an annexation agreement, (Washington/Berault (both by request)).
 - b. Item No. 87-06-1182: Rezoning (Carrere), (Washington/Callahan (both by request)).
 - c. Item No. 87-06-1183: Amending Appendix A-Zoning, Part 10. Modifications and Exceptions, Section 10.4 accessory buildings and uses., Sub-section 10.401 Detached carport and accessory buildings., of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Slidell by adding thereto a new sub-part (g) regarding snowball stands, (Washington/Callahan (both by request)).

A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON EACH OF THE ABOVE LISTED ORDINANCES ON TUESDAY, JULY 28, 1987 AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

3. Proposed Resolutions:

- a. R87-25: Requesting the St. Tammany Parish Police Jury increase the turning radii at the intersections of Ben Thomas Road at La. Highway 11, and of Ben Thomas Road at Stone Road, and to widen Ben Thomas Road, (Williams/Berault).

4. Approval of Special Function Liquor/Beer License:

- a. Slidell Symphonic Pops, Concert n the City Auditorium, June 26, 1987 from 7:00 to 11:00 P.M.

5. Final Acceptance:

- a. Pump Station No. 24 Rehabilitation, File No. 300-3

6. Bid and Request to Purchase Acceptance:

- a. Dellwood Pump Station Improvements, Slidell Job No. 100-4, low bid by C. Reece Owen Construction Co. in the amount of \$8,450.00.
- b. Animal Control Diesel Pick-up Truck, low and only bid by Causeway Motors in the amount of \$12,287.50.

ROLL CALL	9 Yeas	0 Nays	0 Absent	CARRIED
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SUSPENSION OF RULES

Councilman Van Sandt, seconded by Councilman Barthelemy moved to bring forward Item 3 a. on the Agenda, Item No. 87-04-1168: Occupational License Tax Law, in order to allow Mayor Caruso to address the Council.

ROLL CALL	9 Yeas	0 Nays	0 Absent	CARRIED
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Mayor Caruso addressed the Council regarding the Occupational License Tax Law. He stated that even though he is opposed to the tax he would urge the Council to vote in favor of it because he is reluctant to see money generated in the City of Slidell go to the Police Jury.

There was discussion among the Council members expressing opposition to the tax but stating that they have no choice but to vote in favor of it in light of the fact that the Police Jury will collect the tax if the City does not.

A public hearing was held in connection with Item No. 87-04-1168: Occupational License Tax Law. Mike O'Brien asked the Council, in light of the Police Jury's action, to pass the tax and keep the money in the community. Irma Cry representing the Chamber of Commerce stated that she realized the tax would be passed and asked the Council to dedicate any amounts in excess of the budget towards economic development.

Councilman at Large Martinez, seconded by Councilwoman Williams moved to adopt Item No. 87-04-1168.

Councilman at Large Singletary stated that he resents the tax, however saw no choice but to vote in favor of it and was voting under protest.

ROLL CALL	9 Yeas	0 Nays	0 Absent	CARRIED
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The Council members directed that there be introduced at the next meeting a resolution in opposition to the tax.

PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS

Councilman at Large Martinez led a discussion on Resolution R87-23 authorizing the disbursement of funds to the Slidell Bantaam Baseball Association and the Slidell Youth Football Association. Councilwoman Williams stated that there was a surplus in the budget making it possible this year, but indicated funds may not be available next year.

It was suggested that the Council invite the President of the Slidell Bantam Baseball Association to the next Council meeting to explain how the money was available.

Council at Large Martinez, seconded by Councilman Salvaggio moved for adoption of Resolution R87-23.

ROLL CALL	9 Yeah	0 Nays	0 Absent	CARRIED
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At this point Councilman Barthelemy read a resolution to Senator Gerry Hinton. Councilman Barthelemy, seconded by Councilman Salvaggio moved for adoption of R87-24: Expressing appreciation to Senator Gerry Hinton for his assistance in acquiring state funding and state construction of the turn lane on U.S. Hwy. 190.

ROLL CALL	9 Yeahs	0 Nays	0 Absent	CARRIED
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PUBLIC HEARINGS

As advertised, a public hearing was held in connection with Item No. 87-05-1174: Rezoning (Shaw). Rick Alba spoke on behalf of the Brugier Homeowner's Association against the rezoning. Olga Jennings, Peggy Wonsch and Teri Gerlach addressed the Council speaking in favor of the rezoning. James Crockett, Joe Anderson and John Sconza spoke against the rezoning.

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After a lengthy discussion between Council members and the public, the public hearing was closed.

Councilman Van Sandt, seconded by Councilman Berault moved to deny Item No. 87-05-1174: Rezoning (Shaw).

ROLL CALL	9 Yeahs	0 Nays	0 Absent	CARRIED
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The proposed ordinance, Item 87-05-1174 was denied.

As advertised, a public hearing was held in connection with Item No. 87-05-1175: Rezoning (Jennings). Rick Alba spoke on behalf of the Brugier Homeowner's Association against the rezoning. Belinda Madden addressed the Council speaking in favor of the rezoning.

Again, after a lengthy discussion, the public hearing was closed.

Councilman Van Sandt, seconded by Councilman Berault moved to deny Item No. 87-05-1175: Rezoning (Jennings).

ROLL CALL	9 Yeahs	0 Nays	0 Absent	CARRIED
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Proposed ordinance Item No. 87-05-1175 was denied.

As advertised, a public hearing was held in connection with Item No. 87-05-1176: Rezoning (Schmidt). Teri Gerlach requested that the Council approve the rezoning. There was discussion among the Council members regarding alternatives other than rezoning. Rick Alba and Frank Moran spoke against the rezoning. Michael Jones, Mike Oder spoke in favor of the rezoning. Councilman Salvaggio said he is in favor of business but we need to protect the integrity of the neighborhoods. Councilman Van Sandt expressed concern over setting a precedent and the possible future use of the property after a zoning change. As no other member of the public desired to be heard, the public hearing was closed.

Councilman Van Sandt, seconded by Councilwoman Williams moved to deny Item No. 87-05-1176: Rezoning (Schmidt).

ROLL CALL	9 Yeahs	0 Nays	0 Absent	CARRIED
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Proposed Ordinance Item No. 87-05-1176 was denied.

Councilman Washington called for a five minute recess at 7:50 P.M.

The meeting was reconvened at 8:00 P.M.

At this time Councilman at Large Martinez introduced Larry Hudson, Vice-President of the Slidell Youth Football Association, and Eddie Gilmore, Treasurer of the Slidell Youth Football Association, who expressed their appreciation to Council for authorizing disbursement of funds to the Association. Councilman Washington in turn thanked Mr. Hudson and Mr. Gilmore for their work with the children of Slidell.

Councilman Washington continued with the public hearings. As advertised, a public hearing on Item No. 87-05-1177 was held: Surplus Property and Amendment A to Item No. 87-05-1177: Additional items to be surplus. As no one from the public appeared, the public hearing was closed.

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Councilman Callahan, seconded by Councilman Barthelemy moved for adoption of Amendment A to Item No. 87-05-1177: Additional items to be surplusd.

ROLL CALL 9 Yeahs 0 Nays 0 Absent CARRIED

Councilman Callahan, seconded by Councilman Barthelemy moved for adoption of Item No. 87-05-1177, as amended.

ROLL CALL 8 Yeahs 0 Nays 1 Absent CARRIED

(Councilman Salvaggio was not present for the vote.)

Councilman Washington called a Public Hearing on Item No. 87-05-1178: Amending Ordinance No. 1943, the FY 86-87 Budget of Expenditures and Amendment A to Item No. 87-05-1178. No one from the public appeared, and the public hearing was closed.

There was a lengthy discussion among Council members led by Councilwoman Williams who suggested that excess funds from project appropriations go into a Councilmanic reserve fund. At this time, Councilwoman Williams introduced Amendment B amending Amendment A. This item was then tabled temporarily to allow for a written change to Amendment B.

Councilman Washington proceeded by calling a Public Hearing on Item No. 87-05-1179: Amending Ordinance No. 1963, the FY 86-87 Budget of Revenues and Amendment A to Item No. 87-05-1179. As no one from the public appeared, the public hearing was closed.

Councilman Callahan, seconded by Councilman Barthelemy moved for adoption of Amendment A to Item No. 87-05-1179.

ROLL CALL 9 Yeahs 0 Nays 0 Absent CARRIED

Councilman Callahan, seconded by Councilman Barthelemy moved for adoption of Item No. 87-05-1179, as amended.

ROLL CALL 9 Yeahs 0 Nays 0 Absent CARRIED

At this point, the Council returned to Item No. 87-05-1178 which was temporarily tabled.

Both Amendment A and Amendment B to Item No. 87-05-1178 were then withdrawn. It was decided that a formal proposal would be introduced at the next meeting.

Councilman Callahan, seconded by Councilman Van Sandt moved for adoption of Item No. 87-05-1178, with no amendments.

ROLL CALL 9 Yeahs 0 Nays 0 Absent CARRIED

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS

At this time Chief of Staff Reinhard Dearing submitted to the Council a change order for a water line relocation on Fremaux Avenue. He asked that the Council suspend the rules and approve it immediately so that the project can be completed as soon as possible.

Councilman Berault, seconded by Councilman Van Sandt moved to Suspend the Rules to accept the change order.

ROLL CALL 9 Yeahs 0 Nays 0 Absent CARRIED

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Councilman Salvaggio, seconded by Councilman Barthelemy moved to accept the change order with Lipsmeyer Construction Company in the amount of \$5,894.50 for water line relocation on Fremaux Avenue.

ROLL CALL 9 Yeabs 0 Nays 0 Absent CARRIED

DISCUSSION ITEM

Councilman at Large Martinez asked that the At Large appointment to the Slidell Ethics Board be tabled until the next Council meeting.

ELECTION OF COUNCIL OFFICERS

Councilman Salvaggio, seconded by Councilman Berault nominated Councilman Washington for President of the Council

ROLL CALL 9 Yeabs 0 Nays 0 Absent CARRIED

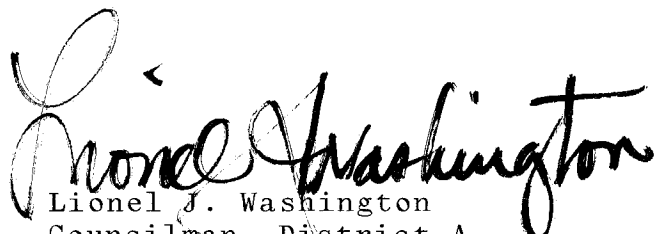
Councilman at Large Martinez nominated Councilman Callahan for Vice-President of the Council. There was a vote. Councilman Callahan received 4 votes.

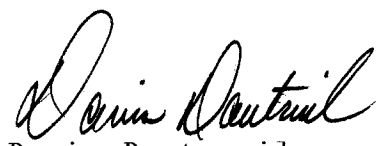
Councilman Berault nominated Councilman Van Sandt for Vice-President of the Council. Councilman Van Sandt received 5 votes. Councilman Van Sandt was elected.

Councilman Berault, seconded by Councilwoman Williams moved to make the vote for Councilman Van Sandt as Vice-President of the Council unanimous.

ROLL CALL 9 Yeabs 0 Nays 0 Absent CARRIED

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 P.M.


Lionel J. Washington
Councilman, District A
President of the Council


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Council Administrator/Clerk of the Council