

MINUTES

SLIDELL CITY COUNCIL

JULY 12, 1988

6:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by the President. All members were present with the exception of Councilman Barthelemy.

SUSPENSION OF RULES

Councilman Washington, seconded by Councilman-at-Large Singletary, moved to suspend the rules to add Resolution R88-42, a resolution authorizing the submission of an application for low rent housing, to the consent calendar. Also added to the consent calendar by Councilman Van Sandt was Resolution R88-43, a resolution expressing support for the location of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's "Advanced Solid Rocket Motor" at the Stennis Space Center. Councilman-at-Large Martinez added background information to Item No. 88-07-1285, regarding wrecker services for the City of Slidell.

ROLL CALL	8 Yeas	0 Nays	1 Absent (Barthelemy)	CARRIED
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CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Approval of the Minutes of the June 28, 1988, Meeting.

B. Proposed Ordinances:

1. Item No. 88-07-1271: An ordinance amending Section 520.02 E Permitted Signs: Free Standing, of Appendix A-Zoning of the Code of Ordinances, and establishing new sections 502.06.1 and 520.03 H, (Callahan/Van Sandt, by request).
2. Item No. 88-07-1285: An amendment to the Code of Ordinances to establish operational requirements for wrecker companies, (Martinez/Callahan, by request).
3. Item No. 88-07-1286: An ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute a community service contract with the Slidell Junior Auxiliary, d/b/a Volunteer Coordinating Center, (Van Sandt/Singletary, both by request).
4. Item No. 88-07-1287: An ordinance amending Chapter 2. Administration, of the Code of Ordinances, to add a provision for advertising for public bids, various insurance coverages for the City of Slidell, (Singletary/Van Sandt, by request).

NOTE: A Public Hearing will be held on the above listed ordinances on Tuesday, August 9, 1988, at 6:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers.

C. Proposed Resolutions:

1. R88-42: A resolution authorizing the submission of an application for low-rent housing, (Washington/Van Sandt, by request).
2. R88-43: A resolution expressing support for the location of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's "Advanced Solid Rocket Motor" at the Stennis Space Center, (Van Sandt/Callahan, both by request).

D. Termination of Legal Counsel - Ed Shamis

E. Approval of ACHMRV License:

1. Larry C. Charbonnet

ROLL CALL	8 Yeas	0 Nays	1 Absent (Barthelemy)	CARRIED
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SUSPENSION OF RULES

Councilman Van Sandt, seconded by Councilman-at-Large Singletary, moved to suspend the rules to introduce Mr. Andy Kincaid General Manager of American Waste.

ROLL CALL	8 Yeas	0 Nays	1 Absent (Barthelemy)	CARRIED
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Mr. Kincaid advised the Council that Police Juror Steve Stefancik introduced an ordinance at the Solid Waste Committee meeting of July 11, 1988, to increase the Mandeville Landfill rate by 42.5%. This is to go before the full meeting of the St. Tammany Parish Police Jury on July 21, 1988. Mr. Kincaid stated that this would result in an increased cost of between \$1.00 to \$1.25 per household per month.

There was a general discussion regarding this matter. Councilman-at-large Martinez requested that this item be placed on the agenda of the next meeting for further discussion. Councilman Salvaggio asked Chief of Staff Reinhard Dearing to check with the City of New Orleans to determine if Slidell could make trash deposits on their landfill once again.

Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Berault, moved for adoption of the following verbal resolution: The Slidell City Council requests that the St. Tammany Parish Police Jury table the proposed landfill rate increase issue until their August meeting. Since the City of Slidell is a large user of the landfill, it is requested that the Police Jury allow additional time for a study of this issue with the possibility of the Parish and City working out some long term solutions.

ROLL CALL	8 Yeas	0 Nays	1 Absent (Barthelemy)	CARRIED
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SUSPENSION OF RULES

PUBLIC HEARING

Councilman Washington, seconded by Councilman Van Sandt, moved to bring forward Item No. 88-06-1281, an ordinance prohibiting commercial buses from using the residential streets in Olde Towne, and Amendment A to Item No. 88-06-1281.

ROLL CALL	8 Yeas	0 Nays	1 Absent (Barthelemy)	CARRIED
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As advertised a public hearing was held on Item No. 88-06-1281, and amendment A to Item No. 88-06-1281. Councilman Washington led a brief discussion, explaining the problems created by bus traffic in Olde Towne. Appearing before the Council was Commodore Ross who expressed a need for additional stop signs in the Olde Towne Area. Councilman Washington requested that the Engineering Department conduct a study to determine the need for the stop signs. Lisa Pratt asked that "Children at Play" signs be posted in the area of Bilten and College Streets. She also requested additional speed limit signs for the area. Also appearing was Margie Swallow who stated that a portion of the traffic problem was due to the "Charters" store located in Olde Towne. There was a brief discussion with an additional amendment B being prepared.

Councilman Washington, seconded by Councilman-at-Large Singletary, moved to adopt Amendments A and B to Item No. 88-06-1281.

ROLL CALL	8 Yeas	0 Nays	1 Absent (Barthelemy)	CARRIED
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TABLED ITEM (CONTINUED)

Councilman Washington, seconded by Councilman-at-Large Singletary, moved to adopt Item No. 88-06-1281 as amended.

ROLL CALL	8 Yeas	0 Nays	1 Absent (Barthelemy)	CARRIED
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REGULAR AGENDA

Councilman-at-Large Martinez led a discussion regarding Resolution R88-41, authorizing the expenditure of FY 1987-88 Capital Project Reserve (Martinez \$46,500) towards completion of the Spartan Drive roadway improvement. He explained his contribution towards completion of the project, and stated that this project breaks ground towards a major thoroughfare plan for the entire City. Councilman Callahan offered a substitute resolution to authorize additional funding for the project, in the amount of \$85,601 from the Bond Issue Reserve Fund. Mayor Caruso added that he is in favor of the project and the use of monies from the Bond Issue Reserve Fund.

Councilwoman Williams inquired about the possibility of alignment of the Spartan Drive roadway with the power easement. She stated that this would permit future connection of the roadway with Old Spanish Trail, which would allow future development of Fritchie Park.

Councilman Callahan, seconded by Councilman-at-Large Martinez, moved to adopt substitute Resolution R88-41.

ROLL CALL	7 Yeas	0 Nays	2 Absent (Barthelemy) (Washington Out of Room)	CARRIED
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BID

City Engineer Stan Polivick addressed the Council regarding the bid of Thigpen Construction Company in the amount of \$986,849 for the Spartan Drive roadway improvements. He recommended acceptance of the bid for a twenty-four (24') foot roadway with curbs as presented, adding that \$79,000 will be deleted for sewer work as a change order at a later date.

Councilman Callahan, seconded by Councilman Washington, moved to accept the bid of Thigpen Construction Company in the amount of \$986,849 for the Spartan Drive roadway improvements on the recommendation of the City Engineer.

ROLL CALL	8 Yeas	0 Nays	1 Absent (Barthelemy)	CARRIED
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PUBLIC HEARING

LIQUOR LICENSE REVOCATION

As advertised, a public hearing was held on the Liquor License Revocation of the Southern Pacific Bar and Grill. Since no one appeared from the public or on behalf of the license holder, the public hearing was closed. This matter was brought before the Council on recommendation of Finance Director David Squires, as the Southern Pacific Bar and Grill has not filed sales tax returns for the last four (4) months. There was a brief discussion.

Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Callahan, moved to revoke the liquor license of the Southern Pacific Bar and Grill for non-payment of sales tax returns for the last four (4) months.

ROLL CALL	7 Yeas	0 Nays	1 Absent (Barthelemy) 1 Abstaining (Salvaggio)	CARRIED
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PUBLIC HEARINGS (CONTINUED)

As advertised, a public hearing was held on Item No. 88-06-1280, an ordinance declaring certain property of the City of Slidell surplus, and setting the method of disposing of same. Since no one from the public appeared, the public hearing was closed. Chief of Staff Reinhard Dearing advised the Council that everything was in order and he recommends adoption of the ordinance.

Councilman-at-Large Singletary, seconded by Councilman Callahan, moved to adopt Item No. 88-06-1280, upon recommendation of Administration.

ROLL CALL	8 Yeas	0 Nays	1 Absent (Barthelemy)	CARRIED
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As advertised, a public hearing was held on Item No. 88-06-1283, an ordinance amending Chapter 14 Sewers and Drainage of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Slidell, to allow for an annual swimming pool discharge into the sewer system at no charge. Since no one from the public appeared to speak, the public hearing was closed. There was a brief discussion led by Councilman Berault regarding the process of monitoring swimming pools for this proposed ordinance. Councilman Salvaggio expressed concern for the cost of overhead for this procedure. He stated that he felt the cost factor for overseeing this procedure would be very high. Chief of Staff Reinhard Dearing added that he opposed this ordinance.

Councilman-at-Large Singletary, seconded by Councilman Callahan, moved to table Item No. 88-06-1283 indefinitely.

ROLL CALL	4 Yeas	4 Nays (Martinez) (Berault) (Salvaggio) (Williams)	1 Absent (Barthelemy)	<u>DENIED</u>
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Councilman-at-Large Martinez, seconded by Councilman Callahan, moved to adopt Item No. 88-06-1283.

ROLL CALL	3 Yeas	5 Nays (Singletary) (Van Sandt) (Berault) (Salvaggio) (Williams)	1 Absent (Barthelemy)	<u>DENIED</u>
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LEGISLATIVE COMMENTS

ANIMAL CONTROL - KINGSPPOINT SUBDIVISION

There was a brief discussion of a resolution from the St. Tammany Parish Police Jury regarding a proposal for the City of Slidell to provide animal control for the Kingspoint Subdivision. Mayor Caruso stated that he would be meeting with the Police Department Animal Control Division tomorrow to discuss this proposal. He added that he would have more information and a recommendation for the Council very soon.


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Council Administrator/Clerk of the Council