

MINUTES

SLIDELL CITY COUNCIL

NOVEMBER 14, 1989

6:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order in the Slidell City Council Chambers by the Council President, Philip Salvaggio. All members were present except Councilman Barthelemy.

Councilman Washington removed Resolution R89-56 a resolution declaring the week of December 3 to 9, 1989, as "Cities Fight Back Against Drugs Week" from the Consent Calendar.

Councilman Callahan removed the bid to hire Mr. Jack Welch to perform the daily inspection service for the installation of a new water main along Kostmayer Avenue and the bid to rebuild ten (10) fire hydrants from the Consent Calendar.

Councilman Van Sandt removed the project acceptances for Pennsylvania Avenue Drainage Improvements and Bonfouca Drive Roadway Improvements from the Consent Calendar.

Councilwoman Williams removed the appointment of Mr. Jim Severs to the Slidell Ethics Board from the Consent Calendar.

Councilman-at-Large Singletary, seconded by Councilman Washington, moved to accept the Consent Calendar as amended.

ROLL CALL	8 Yeas	0 Nays	1 Absent (Barthelemy)	CARRIED
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A. Approval of the Minutes of the October 24, 1989, Meeting.

B. Proposed Ordinances:

1. Item No. 89-11-1396: An ordinance deleting the provision of Sec. 9-50 Minors under the age of seventeen (17) not permitted in pool or billiard halls of Chapter 9 Criminal Code of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Slidell.
2. Item No. 89-11-1397: An ordinance rezoning all lots on Camellia Drive in the Palm Lake Subdivision from A-7 Multi-Family to A-6 Single Family dwellings.
3. Item No. 89-11-1398: An ordinance annexing and zoning approximately 389.734 acres of land located at the Slidell Airport and 1.7 miles of right-of-way on Airport Road from Parish to A-Airport Zoning District as a result of a joint agreement between the City of Slidell and the St. Tammany Parish Police Jury.

NOTE: A Public Hearing will be held on the above listed ordinances on Tuesday, December 12, 1989, at 6:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers.

C. Approval of Liquor License:

1. 88 Corporation, d/b/a China Dragon, Chih Ying Juan and William G. Murphy - 115 Northside Shopping Center, Highway 190.

D. Approval of Special Function Liquor License:

1. Slidell Youth Football Association, Fund Raiser, November 24-26, 9 a.m. till 9 p.m., Terrace Avenue SYFA

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E. Bids and Request to Purchase:

1. Double gun striping machine

REGULAR AGENDA

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilman Washington read Resolution R89-56 a resolution declaring the week of December 3 to 9, 1989, as "Cities Fight Back Against Drugs Week".

Councilman Washington, seconded by Councilwoman Williams, moved to accept Resolution R89-56.

ROLL CALL	8 Yeas	0 Nays	1 Absent (Barthelemy)	CARRIED
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The bid to rebuild ten (10) fire hydrants was brought before the Council.

City Engineer, Stan Polivick, informed the Council that the city has fire hydrants which can be rebuilt for approximately three hundred twenty-five dollars (\$325.00) each rather than purchasing new units for six hundred dollars (\$600.00) each.

The bid to hire Mr. Jack Welch to perform the daily inspection service for the installation of a new water main along Kostmayer Avenue was brought before the Council.

The City Engineer informed the Council that the city's inspection crews are involved in other activities and would not be able to devote enough time to this important project.

SUSPENSION OF RULES

Councilman Callahan, seconded by Councilman Washington, moved to suspend the rules to add Resolution R89-57 a resolution authorizing the expenditure of unallocated water improvement funds for Kostmayer Well Inspection and for the rebuilding of ten (10) fire hydrants onto the council's agenda.

ROLL CALL	8 Yeas	0 Nays	1 Absent (Barthelemy)	CARRIED
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Councilman Callahan, seconded by Councilman Washington, moved to accept Resolution R89-57.

ROLL CALL	8 Yeas	0 Nays	1 Absent (Barthelemy)	CARRIED
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Councilman Callahan, seconded by Councilman Washington, moved to accept the bid to hire Mr. Jack Welch to perform the daily inspection service in relation to the installation of a new water main along Kostmayer Avenue in the amount of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00), and the bid to rebuild ten (10) fire hydrants in the amount of four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00).

ROLL CALL	8 Yeas	0 Nays	1 Absent (Barthelemy)	CARRIED
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ROLL CALL	7 Yeas	0 Nays	2 Absent	CARRIED
			(Barthelemy)	
			(Martinez, out of room)	

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TABLED ITEMS

The matter of the condemnation hearing for a building located at 916 Eleanor Street, Lee Ethel Thompson, wife of/and Pinkney Johnson Jr., owners, was brought before the Council.

Mr. Blanchard, attorney representing Mr. Pinkney Johnson, Jr., appeared before the Council. City Attorney, Elaine Guillot, suggested that Mr. Blanchard consult with Dean Born, Permit Director, prior to the condemnation hearing before the Council.

Council President Salvaggio delayed the condemnation hearing for the building located at 916 Eleanor Street until later in the meeting.

Councilman-at-Large Singletary, seconded by Councilman Callahan, moved to dismiss the condemnation hearing for a building located at Highway 190 West and Magnolia Street, Arthur B. Crow and Gladys A. Bowen Harris, owners, because the building has been demolished.

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

As advertised, a public hearing was held on Item No. 89-10-1388 an ordinance amending Chapter 18 Taxicabs* of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Slidell requiring taxicab services to be licensed by the City.

Councilman Salvaggio reviewed with the Council the origination of this proposed ordinance and possible problems with the enforcement and collection of said fees.

No one from the public appeared to speak.

Council President Salvaggio, seconded by Councilman-at-Large Singletary, moved to table Item No. 89-10-1388 and Amendment A for further review by the Finance Director, Dianne Hanephin, and the City Attorney, Elaine Guillot. Council President Salvaggio will instruct the Council Administrator, Davis Dautreuil, to return said item to the Council's agenda.

ROLL CALL	8 Yeas	0 Nays	1 Absent (Barthelemy)	CARRIED
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As advertised, a public hearing was held on Item No. 89-10-1389 an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2242 which provides for right-of-way encroachments under unusual circumstances.

Councilman Callahan reviewed this proposed ordinance with the Council.

Mr. Jerry Negueloua appeared before the Council in favor of adopting Item No. 89-10-1389.

There was a Council discussion.

Councilman-at-Large Martinez stated his support for this proposed ordinance, but if problems such as maintenance or enforcement arise then at that time the Council will re-evaluate said ordinance.

Councilman Callahan, seconded by Councilman Van Sandt, moved to adopt Amendment A to Item No. 89-10-1389.

Councilman Callahan, seconded by Councilman Van Sandt, moved to adopt Item No. 89-10-1389 as amended.

APPOINTMENT

Councilman Berault, seconded by Councilman Callahan, moved to appoint Mr. Ray Canada to serve the unexpired term until December 1, 1993, on the Slidell Board of Zoning Adjustments.

COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Council President reported that the Council Administrator, Davis Dautreuil, was hospitalized due to an illness.

MAYOR

Mr. Dearing also request that the Council not fund anything else from the three hundred forty-nine thousand dollars (\$349,000) set aside in the Water Bond Issue, unless it is minor. He suggested to the Council to wait until a good portion of the mapping and modeling of our water system is complete. The preliminary report should be here in February and the entire project should be complete by next fall.

OTHER

There was a Council discussion.

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CONDEMNATION HEARING (continued)

The condemnation hearing for the building located at 916 Eleanor Street, Lee Ethel Thompson, wife of/and Pinkney Johnson, Jr., owners, was brought back before the Council.

Mr. Blanchard, attorney representing Pinkney Johnson, Jr., addressed the Council regarding said condemnation.

After consulting with Permit Director, Dean Born, Mr. Blanchard agreed that the property is in need of repairs, a hazard and an eyesore to the community. Mr. Blanchard request two (2) weeks time to have the building boarded up and additional time for Mr. Johnson, Jr. to gather money for improvements.

There was a lengthy Council discussion including Dean Born, Permit Director. Mr. Born stated that his first communication with these people was on June 6, 1989.

Councilman Van Sandt, seconded by Councilman Washington, moved that the building located at 916 Eleanor Street be boarded up by Monday morning, November 20, 1989, and to show signs of repairs to the building located at 916 Eleanor Street by the Council meeting of December 12, 1989.

There was a Council discussion regarding clarification of the foregoing motion. Mr. Blanchard reappeared before the Council to request a ninety (90) day extension because Mr. Pinkney Johnson, Jr. lives out of the state.

Council President Salvaggio called for the vote.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

SUSPENSION OF RULES

Councilman Salvaggio, seconded by Councilman Van Sandt, moved to suspend the rules to add an executive session regarding James A. Barger versus the City of Slidell et al onto the agenda.

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

Councilman Salvaggio, seconded by Councilman Van Sandt, moved to enter into executive session to discuss Harold Dwyer versus Max V. Rodriguez et al, Terry Parta versus City of Slidell et al, Dora Boudreaux et al versus City of Slidell et al, and James A. Barger versus City of Slidell et al.

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

The Council entered into executive session at 7:50 p.m.

The Council returned from executive session at 8:25 p.m.

Since there was no further business to discuss, the Council adjourned at 8:25 p.m.


Philip M. Salvaggio
Councilman, District F
President of the Council


Davis Dautreuil
Council Administrator/Clerk of the Council