



MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2021 6:00 PM
CARENCRO CITY HALL
210 E. ST. PETER ST.
CARENCRO, LOUISIANA

Mayor Glenn L. Brasseaux called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Councilmember Jordan Arceneaux led the Pledge of Allegiance. Following the pledge Mayor Brasseaux asked for a moment of silence for our military service personnel, along with our veterans and their families who have served and for those who continue to serve our country defending our freedoms. Mayor Brasseaux asked that we pray for the families of Lafayette Fire Inspector Keith Sonnier who recently passed away and State Trooper Adam Gaubert who was killed in the line of duty.

Attendance: Councilmembers, Jordan Arceneaux, Antoine Babineaux, Danielle Capritto, Kim Guidry, and Alfred Sinegal

Absent:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Recognize Mr. Danny Gillane, Lafayette Library Director and Mr. Andrew Duhon, Library Foundation member with the Lafayette Parish Library.

Mr. Danny Gillane informed the Mayor and Council that Mr. Duhon was unable to attend the meeting due to other obligations. Mr. Gillane was present at the meeting to encourage everyone to vote on November 13, 2021 for the library millage which is not a new tax. Because it failed at the last election, the library is having to reduce expenses. One of those is the expansion of the Carencro library.

Ms. Carrie Chance, Carencro librarian stated that the library hosts many events that cater to toddlers, teens and adults. Over the years the library has seen an increase in patrons therefore the support for the millage will enhance the services the library provides which is very important to our community.

Recognize Mr. Chuck Lagrange and Ms. Brianne Hendricks with Parish Proud.

Ms. Hendricks informed the Mayor and Council that Mr. Lagrange was unable to attend the meeting due to other obligations. Ms. Hendricks stated that Parish Proud is dedicated to improving the quality of place across Lafayette parish and within its incorporated areas. They help with resources to transform the pride we feel into the pride we see and works with the public and private partners to minimize visual pollution and optimize visual vibrancy.

Mayor Brasseaux asked the Council to think of any projects that they would like to promote with Parish Proud to enhance the beauty of our community.

Councilmember Capritto informed everyone about a Halloween event hosted by Salon Rouge called “City Wide Scavenger Hunt”. It will be held on Saturday, October 30, 2021 from 1 pm till 3:30 pm. Clues are to be pick up at Salon Rouge in which you get your card stamped by participating businesses in Carencro for a chance to win prizes. Councilmember Capritto will be representing the city by giving out candy and stamping the clue cards at the pavilion behind city hall.

Councilmember Babineaux informed everyone about another Halloween event for the children to be held at Carencro Park parking lot. This event is “Scare-n-Cro” which will be held on Sunday, October 31, 2021 from 4-6 pm. Trophies will be given out for best costume and best Truck-n-Treat. A spooky movie will be held on the tennis court, along with music, games and food.

GUESTS: Brittany Savant-Acadiana Ambulance
Doyle Boudreaux- LCG Liaison
Brian Tabor-LCG Councilmember District 1

Mayor Brasseaux informed everyone that LEDA President/CEO Gregg Gothreaux retired on October 15, 2021 after serving the Acadiana area for 26 years. The Mayor and Council thanked him for his many years of service and wished him the best on his retirement. Mayor Brasseaux and the councilmembers extended a warm welcome to the new LEDA President/CEO Ms. Mandi Mitchell and wished her the best in her new position!

LCG Councilmember Brian Tabor approached the Mayor and Council asking for their support at the next election to be held on November 13, 2021 for the library, airport and drainage millages which are renewal taxes. He also asked for support on the Public Health millage which a portion also supports the fire protection in the parish.

PROCLAMATION :

A proclamation declaring October 2021 as Fire Prevention Month.

Mayor Brasseaux read the proclamation.

Councilmember Arceneaux made a motion to amend the minutes of the regular meeting of the Carencro City Council on September 20, 2021 to correct the following:

To change the word “introduce” Ordinance No. 2021-006 to “Final” adopt Ordinance No. 2021-006.

Seconded by Councilmember Capritto; motion approved.

Councilmember Babineaux motioned to adopt the amended minutes of the regular meeting of the Carencro City Council on September 20, 2021; seconded by Councilmember Sinegal; motion approved.

Councilmember Arceneaux motioned to approve the financial reports as presented; seconded by Councilmember Babineaux; motion approved.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments regarding the department’s monthly reports with there being none.

UPDATES: Mayor Brasseaux informed everyone that City Manager Don Chauvin is on vacation this week.

Street Overlay Project- Moss Street is the only street that hasn’t been overlayed in the overlay project because we are working with LCG on the plans. Because LCG has 2/3 of this road they are working with the contractor. Construction could be delayed until after January 1, 2022.

Fire Station on Gloria Switch- Construction is underway with dirt for the building pad being sourced from our stockpile behind the library. The sewer for the fire station will be provided with the 2021 Sewer Improvement project. The first bid process resulted in only one bidder at \$370,500.00 so it was re-bid which resulted in a low bid of \$291,976.00 for a \$78,000.00 reduction.

New Water Meters- The installation is 99.9% completed and the web portal has been successfully tested. The water meter website and phone app have been rolled out to the public over social media and at www.carencro.org. Customers are encouraged to create an account and install the app with directions available at www.carencro.org. The most useful feature may be leak alerts which are sensitive to detect 1 gallon per hour over 24 hours.

Amazon – Infrastructure Projects:

Sonnier Road Turning lane- Construction and striping are complete.

Lift Station- The lift station is operational. This is the Evangeline Downs Lift Station.

Gas System Upgrade- The distribution lines should be complete by October 22, 2021 and the regular station should be operational by November 6, 2021.

Hazardous Waste Day- this event will take place on November 6, 2021 at the Carencro Community Center. More information will be posted on our website and social media. Please refer to the list of acceptable items for recycling.

LYS Bus route- The temporary service has begun with service running from Lowe's bus stop to Amazon and back. The full-service route is still in design and will be presented to the LCG and Carencro councils as a CEA.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for a motion to amend the agenda adding the police station to proceed with the planning and design stage.

Councilmember Arceneaux made a motion to amend the agenda to add the police station to proceed with the planning and design stage; seconded by Councilmember Capritto; motion approved.

Police Station- Mayor Brasseaux recognized Mr. Lynn Guidry who thanked the councilmembers for meeting with him to discuss the plans for the new police station. The first option was to build the new police station behind the community center across from the current police station but it left with little room for growth. With the growth of the city and the opportunity for expansion, the best option would be to build on the 13 acres of property the city owns located on the southside of the library. This option seems to be the most logical choice.

Councilmember Babineaux made a motion to proceed with the planning and design stage of the new police station; seconded by Councilmember Sinegal; motion approved.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 2021-036: A resolution of the Carencro City Council authorizing Mayor Glenn L. Brasseaux to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement by and between the Lafayette-City Parish Consolidated Government and the Carencro Fire Department for Firefighting Services.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council or the public. Councilmember Babineaux made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2021-036; seconded by Councilmember Capritto; motion approved.

This resolution was not on the agenda and not properly added to the agenda before being approved. Therefore, this resolution will be added to the agenda for the next Carencro City Council meeting.

INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 2021-007: An ordinance of the Carencro City Council adopting an operating budget of revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year beginning December 1, 2021 and ending November 30, 2022 and adopting an amended operating budget of revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year beginning December 1, 2020 and ending November 30, 2021.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council or the public. Councilmember Sinegal made a motion to introduce Ordinance No. 2021-007; seconded by Councilmember Babineaux.

Councilmember Arceneaux made a motion to table Ordinance No. 2021-007 for introduction until a special meeting is held; seconded by Councilmember Capritto; Nay votes by Councilmembers Babineaux and Sinegal; motion approved to table Ordinance No. 2021-007.

PUBLIC HEARING:

FINAL ADOPTED ORDINANCES: none

PUBLIC HEARING:

Preliminary plat approval for the partition for Marc Breaux & Madeline D. Breaux, 527 W. Gloria Switch Road, Carencro, La.- A residential development located in Section 11, Township 95-Range-4-East, City of Carencro, Lafayette Parish, Partition of 5.811 acres into (2) lots.

Planning Administrative Valerie Bosset gave a brief overview of her report and recommendations as well as the conditions included in the City Engineers report/ letter and recommended preliminary plat approval contingent upon the developer satisfying the conditions listed in the City Engineers review.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council or the public. Councilmember Sinegal made a motion to grant preliminary plat approval based on Planning Administrative Valerie Bosset's recommendations; seconded by Councilmember Babineaux; motion approved.

Preliminary Plat approval for Potier Place Subdivision located in Section 35 & 100, Township-8-South, Range-4-East, City of Carencro, Lafayette Parish, La. (200 Guilbeau Road)

Planning Administrative Valerie Bosset gave a brief overview of her report and recommendations as well as the conditions included in the City Engineers report/ letter and recommended preliminary plat approval contingent upon the developer satisfying the conditions listed in the City Engineers review.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council or the public.

Mr. David McCoy residing at 509 Rampart informed the Mayor and Council that a family of owls are living in the woody areas of this proposed subdivision. He voiced his concerns if the owls would be preserved.

Mr. Huey White, a business owner nearby voiced his concerns about drainage and erosion issues and asked if he could see the drainage plans.

Mr. Chad Roussel, Engineer for the developers stated that he was unaware of the owls but would mention it to the developers. Mr. Roussel then asked for waiver on the sidewalks and on the drainage to not pipe in the entire frontage.

City Engineer Luke Hebert approached the council stating that the preliminary approval is needed before granting any waivers. He also informed Mr. White that once the drainage plans are presented, he will share those with him.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for a motion to grant the sidewalk and drainage waivers proposed by Mr. Roussel. No motion was made therefore the waivers were denied at this time.

Councilmember Arceneaux made a motion to approve preliminary plat approval based on Planning Administrative Valerie Bosset's recommendations; seconded by Councilmember Capritto; motion approved.

Preliminary and final plat approval for lot (s) consolidation—404 & 410 Sonnier Road, Carencro, La.—owner Rocky Laviolette

Planning Administrative Valerie Bosset gave a brief overview of her report and recommendations as well as the conditions included in the City Engineers report/ letter and recommended preliminary and final plat approval contingent upon the developer satisfying the conditions listed in the City Engineers review.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council or the public. Councilmember Arceneaux made a motion to grant preliminary and final plat approval based on Planning Administrative Valerie Bosset's recommendations; seconded by Councilmember Sinegal; motion approved.

Final plat approval to replat the North Point Phase IV of Tract 1A into Tracts 1-A-1 & 1-A-2. 115 Derek Plaza- a commercial development, Section 35, Township 8-South, Range 4-East, City of Carencro, Lafayette Parish, Louisiana.

Planning Administrative Valerie Bosset gave a brief overview of her report and recommendations as well as the conditions included in the City Engineers report/ letter and recommended final approval contingent upon the developer satisfying the conditions listed in the City Engineers review.

Mayor Brasseaux asked for questions or comments from the council or the public. Councilmember Babineaux made a motion to grant final plat approval based on Planning Administrative Valerie Bosset's recommendations; seconded by Councilmember Capritto; motion approved.

DISCUSSIONS: none

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Councilmember Babineaux made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Councilmember Sinegal; motion approved.

With no further comments the meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gwen Martin
City Clerk
City of Carencro

Glenn L. Brasseaux
Mayor
City of Carencro