

April 24, 2017

The City Council of the City of Sulphur, Louisiana, met in special session at its regular meeting place in the Council Chambers, Sulphur, Louisiana, on 24th day of April, 2017 at 5:00 p.m., after full compliance with the convening of said meeting with the following members present:

DRU ELLENDER, Council Representative of District 1
DENNIS BERGERON, Council Representative of District 2
MELINDA HARDY, Council Representative of District 3
RANDY FAVRE, Council Representative of District 4
STUART MOSS, Council Representative of District 5

After the meeting was called to order and the roll called with the above result, prayer was led by Mrs. Ellender, followed by the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mrs. Hardy.

The first item on the agenda is a public hearing on ordinance authorizing the demolition of Central Fire Station located at 602 North Huntington Street. Motion was made by Mrs. Ellender seconded by Mr. Moss that the following ordinance be adopted to-wit:

ORDINANCE NO. 1462, M-C SERIES

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DEMOLITION OF CENTRAL FIRE STATION LOCATED AT 602 NORTH HUNTINGTON STREET.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Sulphur, Louisiana, in regular session that:

WHEREAS, upon receiving mold evaluation and recent structural inspection results it was deemed too costly to make renovations due to structural deficiencies and mold, therefore the City of Sulphur authorizes the demolition of Central Fire Station located at 602 North Huntington Street.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Sulphur, Louisiana, the governing authority thereof, that they do hereby authorize the demolition of 602 North Huntington Street.

This ordinance shall become effective upon Mayor's signature.

A vote was then called with the results as follows:

YEAS: Mrs. Ellender, Mr. Bergeron, Mrs. Hardy, Mr. Favre, Mr. Moss

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

And the said above ordinance was declared duly adopted on this 24th day of April, 2017.

ATTEST:

ARLENE BLANCHARD, Council Clerk

DENNIS BERGERON, Chairman

The next item on the agenda is a public hearing on ordinance authorizing the purchase of 614 North Huntington Street, authorizing Mayor Christopher L. Duncan to secure the services of Armor Title to prepare all closing documents, and authorizing Mayor Christopher L. Duncan to sign all paperwork in connection therewith. Motion was made by Mr. Favre seconded by Mr. Moss that the following ordinance be adopted to-wit:

ORDINANCE NO. 1463, M-C SERIES

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY FROM DIANNA MAY ROYER COURVILLE (614 N. HUNTINGTON STREET).

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Sulphur, Louisiana, in regular session that:

WHEREAS, the City of Sulphur desires to purchase property from Dianna May Royer Courville; and

WHEREAS, the property is more fully described as:

614 N. Huntington Street

Commencing one hundred fifty (150) feet North of the Southwest Corner of Block Twenty (20) of the Oak Grove Addition to the Town of Sulphur, Louisiana, as per plat recorded in Plat Book 3 at Page 181, being the Ella G. Perkins Subdivision of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (SE/4 OF SW/4) of Section Twenty-Seven (27), Township Nine (9) South, Range Ten (10) West, Louisiana Meridian, thence north sixty-nine (69) feet, thence east one hundred forty-three and six tenths (143.6) feet, thence south sixty-nine (69) feet,

thence west on hundred forty-three and six tenths (143.6) feet to point of commencement; AND ALSO the South nine (9) feet of the West Half (W1/2) of Block Nineteen (19) of Oak Grove Addition to the City of Sulphur, Louisiana, as per plat recorded in Plat Book 3 at Page 181, records of Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED that Mayor Christopher L. Duncan, is hereby authorized and empowered to purchase the property described above, and directed to execute the original deed between the City of Sulphur and Dianna May Royer Courville for the sum of \$33,000.00 and that Mayor Christopher L. Duncan is also authorized to secure the services of Armor Title to prepare all closing documents.

This ordinance shall become effective upon Mayor's signature.

A vote was then called with the results as follows:

YEAS: Mrs. Ellender, Mr. Bergeron, Mrs. Hardy, Mr. Favre, Mr. Moss

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

And the said above ordinance was declared duly adopted on this 24th day of April, 2017.

ATTEST:

ARLENE BLANCHARD, Council Clerk

DENNIS BERGERON, Chairman

The next item on the agenda is a public hearing on ordinance providing for an increase in the annual salary for the Mayor of the City of Sulphur to begin the next term of office. Mayor Duncan stated that he'd like to offer an amendment and cap it at \$90,000 and that the Mayor's salary goes up contingent upon city employee's salary going up at same percentage as Mayor's would until it reaches the \$90,000 cap.

Mr. Moss then stated that he had an amendment that was presented to the Council last week.

Motion was then made by Mr. Moss seconded by Mr. Favre that the following amendment be made:

Add - The effective date of this Ordinance shall be May 19, 2017, and the pay raise shall be implemented on the first day of the new term for the Mayor of Sulphur in 2018.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor then stated that he'd like to offer another amendment which this salary increase would be contingent upon giving the newly elected Mayor the option whether they would want to take the salary increase or not. No one made a motion for the Mayor's recommendation.

Motion was then made by Mr. Favre seconded by Mr. Moss that the following ordinance be adopted to-wit:

ORDINANCE NO. 1464, M-C SERIES AS AMENDED

ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR AN INCREASE IN THE ANNUAL SALARY FOR THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SULPHUR TO BEGIN THE NEXT TERM OF OFFICE.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Sulphur, Louisiana, in regular session that:

The annual salary for the Mayor of the City of Sulphur shall be increased for the next term of office to \$90,000 per year.

The effective date of this Ordinance shall be May 19, 2017, and the pay raise shall be implemented on the first day of the new term for the Mayor of Sulphur in 2018.

A vote was then called with the results as follows:

YEAS: Mrs. Ellender, Mr. Bergeron, Mrs. Hardy, Mr. Favre, Mr. Moss
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

And the said above ordinance was declared duly adopted on this 24th day of April, 2017.

ATTEST:

ARLENE BLANCHARD, Council Clerk

DENNIS BERGERON, Chairman

With there being no other business to come before the Council, the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

ARLENE BLANCHARD, Clerk

DENNIS BERGERON, Chairman

4/24/17
5:08 P.M.