

**MANDEVILLE FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE MANDEVILLE CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF JANUARY 15, 2014**

The meeting of the Financial Oversight Committee was called to order by Councilman Rick Danielson at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Rick Danielson, David Ellis, Leonard Rohrbough, Marilyn Osborne, Vince Talazac, Jerry Coogan, Glen Runyon

ABSENT: None

ALSO: Carla Buchholz, Clay Madden

1. Adoption of the November 20, 2013 Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Rohrbough and seconded by Mrs. Osborne for the adoption of the November 20, 2013 meeting minutes. The motion passed 3-0, with Mr. Talazac abstaining and Mr. Ellis temporarily absent.

2. Announcements

Mr. Danielson welcomed new member, Vince Talazac.

3. Adoption of Ordinance No. 13-31

Mr. Danielson explained that Ordinance No. 13-31 expanded the MFOC's scope of duties to include all financial matters as deemed appropriate by a unanimous vote of the City Council. The Ordinance also specified that the Mandeville Financial Oversight Committee hold meetings on an as needed basis with a minimum of one meeting per quarter. Mr. Danielson suggested meeting quarterly: January, April, July and October.

4. Reporting Requirements for the City's Owned and Leased Properties

A motion was made by Mr. Danielson and seconded by Mr. Ellis for a recommendation to the City Council that the Council recommend that the administration establish monthly reporting requirements to evaluate the income (when applicable) and track the expenses of each City owned facility and property. City properties to monitor include: City Hall, Police Department, Public Works Building, Water Treatment Plant, Community Center, Trailhead, Sunset Point Fishing Pier, Jackson Avenue Boat Launch and Harbor, Tyler Thomas Park, Paul Cordes Park, East Lakefront Playground, West Lakefront Playground, Lakefront Gazebo, St. Ann Water Tower, West Causeway Pedestrian Bridge, Neighborwoods Park, and the Lang House/Kier Gardens. Items to track include: income (if applicable), usage, utilities, personnel source (employee vs. contractor), basic maintenance, and additional repairs or improvements. Additional or emergency maintenance and repair can be reported on an as needed basis. A motion was made by Mr. Danielson and seconded by Mr. Rohrbough to amend the original motion by including the recommendation of the long term consideration of charging user fees to offset expenses at certain City locations to possibly include the Fishing Pier, the Lakefront Gazebo and the Harbor Boat Launch. After discussion, the motion to amend passed 5-0. Mr. Danielson stated that the MFOC's recommendation will be up for adoption at the February 13, 2014 regular meeting of the City Council. The original motion passed, as amended, 5-0.

5. Rededication of Special Sales Tax

Mr. Danielson stated that the City Council, at its February 13th regular meeting, will announce the adoption of a resolution calling for an election for the rededication of the special sales tax. The deadline for filing applications with the State Bond Commission is April 15th and the election scheduled for November 4th. Mr. Runyon asked if there was a recommendation from the MFOC to the Council on the distribution of the special sales tax funds. Mr. Danielson stated that the committee discussed, at the November 18th meeting, the idea of 100% rededication but then earmarking a certain percentage for a dedicated purpose, until the Council releases the dedicated funds, in arrears, through the budgeting process. Mr. Runyon stated that, beyond having the discussion, we need to formalize and vote on the committee's recommendation to the Council. He added that the election timeline provided by the City's Bond Attorney was conservative and there was a later State Bond Commission meeting deadline. Mr. Runyon suggested that the MFOC develop specific language for the ballot, which recommends how to spend the rededicated funds, in a special meeting in February. And, at that meeting, provide an analysis on whether we can reduce ad valorem taxes or not. He added that there also needs to be discussion and a recommendation from the committee on whether to renew the tax for ten years or make it a permanent tax. After further debate on whether to use specific language on the ballot to place restrictions on the rededicated funds, the Committee members agreed to hold a special meeting in February to formalize a recommendation to the Council.

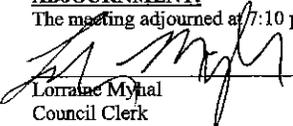
6. Review of Monthly Financial Reports

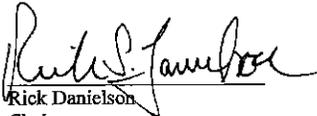
No update. November month end reports will be discussed at the January 23rd City Council meeting.

7. Next Meeting: February 19, 2014, 6:00 pm

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.


Lorraine Myhal
Council Clerk


Rick Danielson
Chairman