

**MANDEVILLE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
FOR THE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 26, 2015**

The regular meeting of the Mandeville City Council was called to order by the Council Chairman at 6:00 p.m. Following the call to order, a moment of silence was observed and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**PRESENT:** Rick Danielson, Clay Madden, David Ellis, Carla Buchholz

**ABSENT:** Ernest Burguières

**ALSO PRESENT:** Mayor Villere, Chief Richard; Frank Oliveri, Finance Director; Edward Deano, City Attorney; Louisette Kidd, Planning Director; David deGeneres, Public Works Director; Henry DiFranco, City Engineer; Kim Chatelain, Times Picayune; Betsy Swenson, Tammany West; Faimon Roberts, Advocate; John Walker, St Tammany Farmer

**MINUTES:**

1. Adoption of the February 12, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes.

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis and seconded by Mr. Madden for the adoption of the January 22, 2015 regular meeting minutes. The motion passed 4-0.

**PRESENTATION:**

1. Henry DiFranco, Principal Engineering – Drainage

Mr. DiFranco explained the basic hydrologic cycle, drainage basin boundary definitions, significant rainfall events, and sample drainage problems and solutions of the past. In May 2000 the City's Master Drainage Plan was published and in June 2014 the GEC Shoreline Protection Report was completed. Under project development, remaining city issues are primarily elevation, tidal, & tropical related. Identified deficiencies are assessed and corrected during regular maintenance or further investigated for a project scope, construction design and budget request. The City will continue to explore Federal partnering options for shoreline protection. Problem areas include Monroe Street from Barbara to Massena, the Galvez Canal at the north outfall, Golden Glen sub-basin, and LA22 & Dalwill Drive. Mr. DiFranco reviewed current drainage projects in progress to include the cemetery in District III, Lafayette Street, city-wide culvert replacements, the USACE Shoreline Study, and the Lakefront Check Valve Pilot Program. Through the testing phase, the check valve design was modified to mitigate siltation. The power point presentation demonstrated ponding and inundation at various elevations with and without the check valves. The check valve program is a component of the shoreline protection system. The project bids on March 4, 2015 with an estimated completion date of May 30, 2015.

**OPENING OF THE AGENDA:**

1. Introduction of Ordinance No. 15-03, AN ORDINANCE TO ACQUIRE DONATED PROPERTY BY THE CITY OF MANDEVILLE AND TO PROVIDE FOR RELATED MATTERS (Offered by David Ellis, Council District I)

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis and seconded by Mrs. Buchholz to add the above item under the opening of the agenda. The motion passed 4-0.

**REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

1. Mr. Danielson announced that the Council Clerk was taking a position on the south shore and her last day with the City was March 13, 2015.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Appointment to the Fire Board District #4

Mr. Danielson announced that the Council received one resume for consideration for the appointment to the Fire Board for District #4. A motion was made by Mrs. Buchholz and seconded by Mr. Ellis to reappoint Mr. Jack Schell to the Fire Board for District #4. The motion passed 4-0.

2. Approval of the Special Event Liquor License Application for the Mandeville Lions Club, for their 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Car & Craft Show, 720 Lafitte Street, Mandeville, 70448 to be held on April 11, 2015, 9:00 – 3:00 pm, with a rain date of April 12, 2015.

A motion was made by Mr. Madden and seconded by Mrs. Buchholz for the approval of the Special Event Liquor License Application for the Mandeville Lions Club, for their 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Car & Craft Show, 720 Lafitte Street, Mandeville, 70448 to be held on April 11, 2015, 9:00 – 3:00 pm, with a rain date of April 12, 2015. The motion passed 4-0.

3. Approval of the Special Event Liquor License Application for Crawfish Cookin for a Cause to be held at the Mandeville Lakefront Harbor on Saturday, May 16, 2015, 8:00 am to 7:30 pm, with no rain date.

A motion was made by Mrs. Buchholz and seconded by Mr. Ellis for the approval of the Special Event Liquor License Application for Crawfish Cookin for a Cause to be held at the Mandeville Lakefront Harbor on Saturday, May 16, 2015, 8:00 am to 7:30 pm, with no rain date. The motion passed 4-0.

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Ordinance No. 15-03 was read by title by Mr. Danielson. A motion was made by Mrs. Buchholz and seconded by Mr. Ellis for its introduction.

**FINANCE REPORT:**

The City has collected 47% of the budgeted operating revenue, including grant revenue. We expect to collect on the outstanding FEMA grants before fiscal year end. Ad valorem taxes collected in January were \$2.3 million. Operating expenditures incurred over the last five months came to 37% of the operating budget. The City has expended \$1.2 million of the \$8.4 million capital budget, representing 14.68% of the overall capital outlay for this fiscal year. The City's overall governmental fund balances are \$44.4 million of which we have committed \$7.1 million for capital expenditures for the remainder of the fiscal year. This leaves the uncommitted fund balance at \$37.2 million. The City's general fund balance totals \$12.4 million; consisting of \$10.1 million of uncommitted funds.

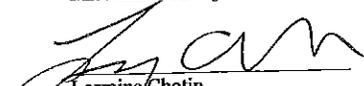
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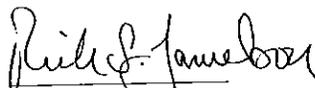
**PROJECTS IN PROGRESS (STATUS REPORT):**

1. Capital Roadway Maintenance Project – The Task Order No 2 punch list items have been completed. Under Task Order No. 3, the milling and overlay work is in progress. The contractor has started the concrete and drainage work.
2. Girod Street Landscaping & Lighting Project, Phase III – A new project manager from DOTD has requested changes on the plans. The changes are in progress.
3. Lotus Drive/Village Lane Drainage Project – The contractor has 100ft of pipe left to install. The project is expected to be complete by March 6, 2015.
4. Rapatel Water Tower – There has been a delay in the project due to weather conditions. The steel construction is ongoing.
5. Fire Hydrant Replacement Project – There are approximately ten fire hydrants remaining. The estimated completion date is March 13, 2015.
6. Fire Suppression System for Dew Drop – The installation is 75% complete.
7. Lift Station 21 Relocation – Construction will begin next week.
8. Lift Station 19 Relocation – Construction began on January 26, 2015. The project is approximately 25% complete.
9. Girod Street Overlay Improvements – The asphalt work is complete. The contractor is expected to begin the intersection work at Girod and Claiborne next week.
10. West Causeway Approach Pathway Project - The engineering contracts are being prepared.
11. LA 22 & Hwy 190 Intersection Improvements – The engineering contracts are being prepared.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mr. Danielson adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

  
Lorraine Chotin  
Council Clerk

  
Rick S. Danielson  
Council Chairman