

February 21, 2017
Regular Session

The Mayor and Aldermen of the Town of Many met in regular session, Tuesday, February 21, 2017, at 5:15 p.m. at Town Hall. Present were Mayor Ken Freeman, Mayor Pro-Tem, Barbara Peterson, Gay Corley, Bobbie Jackson, and James Kennedy. Absent was Anita Darwin. Also present were: Deputy Clerk Ashley Garcie, Police Chief Roger Freeman, Asst. Chief Dewayne Brumley, Officer Carla Nicks, Water Superintendent Charles Brown, Street Supervisor Bobby Hughes, Walter Mains from Sabine Water District No. 1, and Tripp Dungan from CLECO.

Mayor Ken Freeman called the meeting to order. Prayer was offered by James Kennedy, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: Minutes for January 17, 2017, Regular Meeting and for February 3rd, 2017, Special Called Meeting were approved as written with a motion by Gay Corley, seconded by Bobbie Jackson. . All in favor.

Amend Agenda: None.

Open to Public Comments relating to items on agenda: No Comments.

Guest: Tripp Dungan with CLECO, and Walter Mains from Sabine Water District No.1.

Old Business:

1. **Adopt Ordinance # 1 of 2017 – Animal Control Ordinance** Passed with motion by Gay Corley, seconded by Bobbie Jackson. Vote Unanimous.

New Business:

1. **Introduce Ordinance # 2 of 2017 – LaMATS Municipal Debt Recovery Service:** Passed with a motion by Gay Corley and seconded by Barbara Peterson. Vote Unanimous. . A Public Hearing will be held prior to regular council meeting on March 21, 2017 at 5:15 p.m. for any comments relating to this Ordinance prior to adoption.
2. **Introduce Ordinance # 3 of 2017 – Amend General Fund Police Department Budget for \$35,000 for purchase of marked police vehicle:** Passed with a motion by James Kennedy and seconded by Gay Corley. Vote Unanimous. A Public Hearing will be held prior to regular council meeting on March 21, 2017 at 5:15 p.m. for any comments relating to this Ordinance prior to adoption.
3. **Approve the underground servitude agreement between the Town of Many and CLECO Power, LLC.** – On the Town of Many's Depot property, there is a CLECO power pole. Sabine Water District No. 1 would like to get our permission to burrow underground to bring their electrical line to that power pole to get electricity. To do that, we have to give CLECO permission to come on our property. In the process of doing so, the Depot will need parking space for activities that we may have in the future, so I've talked to Walter Mains and said we would be happy to do that but in return, Water District No. 1 agree that when they're closed or not using the building that the Town of Many would have access to their parking lot for activities that go on at the Depot. This servitude Passed with a motion by Gay Corley and seconded by Bobbie Jackson. Vote Unanimous.
4. **Approve Agreement between the Town of Many and Sabine Water District No. 1 for the use of parking lot after hours.** In exchange for giving CLECO the authority to connect power to Sabine Water District No. 1 using the CLECO utility pole on the Town of Many's Depot property, an agreement was reached to allow the use of Sabine Water District parking lots after hours. Passed with a motion by Gay Corley and seconded by Barbara Peterson. Vote Unanimous.
5. **CDC – Annual Membership dues of \$2,550.00** – Council voted unanimously to not pay membership dues to CDC.
6. **Reports:** Council was presented with the **Profit & Loss Performance Budget** for January, 2017; the **Payables log** for January with evidence of invoices paid; balanced & reconciled **Bank Statements** for January 2017; Overtime report; Verification of Federal & Louisiana **Taxes paid**; and **Insurance paid** verification report. All reports were accepted as written with motion by Gay Corley; second by James Kennedy. Vote unanimous.
7. **Chief's Report:** Chief Freeman provided report of activity in the Town of Many for previous month.
8. **Sales Tax:** There was a reported decrease in January, 2017 revenue of 1.17% compared to January, 2016 revenue.
9. **Tourism:** A calendar of future events was provided.
10. **Airport:** None.
11. **Zoning:** Council approved the recommendation of the Zoning Commission with a motion by Barbara Peterson and seconded by Bobbie Jackson, for the placement of a mobile home for the following locations: 145 Mollie Street and 1321 Alabama.

12. Grant Report: A list of current grants was provided.

13. Street: None

14. Animal Control: None.

15. Water: Council voted unanimously with a motion by Gay Corley and seconded by James Kennedy to require that all dual connections on one water meter, enter into an agreement for a minimum billing charge for each connection or be required to put in an additional meter for each connection at their cost.

Next scheduled Regular Council Meeting on March 21, 2017.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 5:55 p.m. was made by Gay Corley and seconded by Jackson. Vote Unanimous.

KENNETH FREEMAN, MAYOR

CAROLYN RICKS, TOWN CLERK