

TOWN OF MANY

July 18, 2017

Regular Session

The Mayor and Aldermen of the Town of Many met in regular session, Tuesday, July 18, 2017, at 5:15 p.m. at Town Hall. Present were Mayor Ken Freeman, Mayor Pro-Tem Barbara Peterson, Gay Corley, Bobbie Jackson, James Kennedy and Anita Darwin. Also present were Town Clerk Amie Brown, Payroll Clerk Ashley Garcie, Police Chief Roger Freeman, Detective Todd McNeely, Officer Carla Nicks, Officer Phillip Cutrer, Water/Sewer Supervisor Kenneth Meyers, Street Supervisor Charles Brown, and Tripp Dungan from CLECO.

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

Minutes: Minutes for June 15, 2017, Special Called Meeting and for June 20, 2017, Regular Meeting were approved as written with a motion by Gay Corley, seconded by Bobbie Jackson. Vote Unanimous.

Amend Agenda: None.

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

Guest: Tripp Dungan with CLECO.

Old Business:

1. **Police Recommendation of the termination of part-time patrol officer Kowonno Greene:** Passed with motion by Gay Corley, seconded by Bobbie Jackson. Vote Unanimous.

New Business:

1. **Appoint Amie Brown as Town Clerk, Ex-Officio Tax Collector and Zoning Administrator:** Passed with a motion by Barbara Peterson seconded by Bobbie Jackson. Vote Unanimous.
2. **Appoint Barbara Peterson as Mayor Pro Tem:** Mayor Freeman recommended the appointment of Barbara Peterson as Mayor Pro Tem. Before motion was made James Kennedy made a motion to appoint Gay Corley, seconded by Anita Darwin. Nays by Barbara Peterson and Bobbie Jackson, with Gay Corley abstaining. No other recommendations for Mayor Pro-Tem. Mayor Ken Freeman, as a tie breaker, elected to appoint Barbara Peterson. Passed with a motion by Anita Darwin and seconded by Bobbie Jackson with James Kennedy abstaining.
3. **Appoint Zoning Commissioners: Wayne Turner, Robert Hable, Mary Perry, John Testa, Donna Ammons, Jeanetta Dean and Kim Hunt for a period of 4 years beginning 7/1/2017-6/30/2021:** Passed with a motion by James Kennedy and seconded by Barbara Peterson. Vote Unanimous. It was noted that every four years one commissioner would be rolled off and a new commissioner added. Vera Holland was rolled off and Kim Hunt was added in her place.
4. **Appoint Airport Board: Kenneth Ammons, Brian Tannehill, Dianne Andries, Al Drewitt, Rick McCurdy, Don Burkett, Tommy Lee:** Passed with a motion by Barbara Peterson and seconded by Gay Corley. Vote Unanimous.
5. **Appoint Barbara Peterson to serve on Tourism Board:** Passed with a motion by Anita Darwin and seconded by Bobbie Jackson. Vote Unanimous.
6. **Appoint Gay Corley to serve on Sales Tax Commission Board:** Passed with a motion by Barbara Peterson and seconded by Bobbie Jackson. Vote Unanimous.
7. **Appoint Billy Pickett as Town Attorney:** Passed with a motion by James Kennedy and seconded by Gay Corley. Vote Unanimous.
8. **Appoint Eugene Fremaux as Town CPA:** Passed with a motion by Barbara Peterson and seconded by Gay Corley. Vote Unanimous.
9. **Appoint Sabine Index as "Official Journal":** Passed with a motion by Gay Corley and seconded by Barbara Peterson. Vote Unanimous.
10. **Theater Contract: Mary Bozeman - 7/1/2017 - 6/30/2018:** Passed with a motion by Gay Corley and seconded by Barbara Peterson. Vote Unanimous.
11. **Introduce Ordinance #8 of 2017 - Clerks Salary:** Passed with a motion by James Kennedy and seconded by Gay Corley. Vote Unanimous. Public Hearing will be held prior to regular council meeting on August 15, 2017 at 5:15 p.m. for any comments relating to this Ordinance prior to adoption.

- 12. Introduce Ordinance #9 of 2017 – Garbage Increase:** Passed with a motion by Barbara Peterson and seconded by Bobbie Jackson. Vote Unanimous. Public Hearing will be held prior to regular council meeting on August 15, 2017 at 5:15 p.m. for any comments relating to this Ordinance prior to adoption.
- 13. Generator from Hwy. 6 – Move, Sell or Donate:** Motion by Bobbie Jackson to sell it. Seconded by Barbara Peterson. Vote Unanimous.
- 14. Discuss SRA Contract – Expires 9/30/17:** Mayor Ken Freeman advised the council that he has been in contact with Warren Founds regarding the renewal of this contract and will report back as he receives more information.
- 15. Reports:** Council was presented with the **Profit & Loss Performance Budget** for June, 2017; the **Payables log** for June 2017 with evidence of invoices paid; balanced & reconciled **Bank Statements** for June 2017; **Overtime report** for July 2016 through June 2017; Verification of Federal & Louisiana **Taxes paid** for June 2017; and Verification of **Insurance paid** for June 2017. The budget was tabled by Mayor Ken Freeman to next month's council meeting until he can get clarification from our CPA. All reports were accepted as written with motion by Gay Corley; second by Barbara Peterson. Vote unanimous.
- 16. Chief's Report:** Chief Freeman provided a report of activity in the Town of Many for previous month. Chief Freeman made a recommendation of hiring Bobby Hughes as part-time officer effective 7/19/2017. Motion by James Kennedy; second by Gay Corley. Vote Unanimous.
- 17. Sales Tax:** Gay Corley reported an increase of 3.84% over June, 2016 and that there will be a board meeting Thursday night. Motion to accept this report made by James Kennedy; second by Barbara Peterson. Vote Unanimous.
- 18. Tourism:** Barbara Peterson reported that there was a group from China that came to take pictures and that we are number 4 in District 4.
- 19. Airport:** None.
- 20. Zoning:** Council approved the recommendation of the Zoning Commission with a motion by James Kennedy and seconded by Gay Corley, for the placement of a 52x16 mobile home at 170 Lincoln for David Harris.
- 21. Grant Report:** A list of current grants was provided by Ashley Garcie.
- 22. Street:** Charlie Brown gave a report on the work being done on Louisiana Street; mowing and bush hogging is being done; the dump truck has been down and he is getting prices on a replacement. Anita Darwin mentioned concern about the lines on the road on MLK at the 5-way stop.
- 23. Animal Control:** Charlie Brown gave a report that a lot of cats have been picked up and transferred to the shelter.
- 24. Water:** Kenneth Meyers gave a report on current operations.

Next scheduled Regular Council Meeting on August 15, 2017.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 5:53 p.m. was made by James Kennedy and seconded by Bobbie Jackson. Vote Unanimous.

KENNETH FREEMAN, MAYOR

AMIE BROWN, TOWN CLERK