

**Regular Session of Council Meeting
August 16, 2022 – Tuesday @ 5:00 P.M.**

AGENDA:

1. Call to Order by Mayor Robert Hable, Jr. at 5:02 p.m.
2. Prayer by Alderwoman Jackson
3. Pledge by Mayor Hable
4. Roll Call-PRESENT: Councilwomen Brocato, Williams, Jackson, & Darwin. Also Present: Amie Brown, Clerk; Josh Darden, Wastewater Supervisor; Cecil Jordan, Street Supervisor; Bruce Tatum; Officer Mason Wiley; Lisa King, Deputy Clerk; Cheryl Wooley, Chief of Police; Suzanne Williams, Grants; Lee Woods, Airport Manager; Chris Sylvia, Town Attorney. ABSENT: Councilwoman Perry.
5. Approve Minutes: July 19, 2022 – Regular Session-Motion to approve by Williams, second by Jackson. Motion passed unanimously.
6. Amend Agenda: None
7. Open for Public Comment relating **to any item on agenda** which requires council vote. None
8. Guests: Daniel Thomas- Did not attend meeting.

Old Business

1. Renew Airport Insurance for 8/5/2022-8/5/2023 – Starr Indemnity & Liability Company through Phares Lites & Walsworth for - \$2,545.00. Motion by Darwin, second by Jackson. Motion passed unanimously.
2. Discussion of A/C Unit Quote for Police Department to be paid from ARPA funds; quotes from Bass Heating & cooling for \$10,597; Air Giant \$12,582; Titus Specialties \$13,500. Will be paid out of ARPA funds. Quote from Bass Heating & Cooling was accepted with motion by Williams, second by Brocato. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business

1. Resolution #10 of 2022 – The Town of Many and Many Police Department to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Sabine Parish School Board to provide a POST-Certified School Resource Officer to at public schools in Sabine Parish within the jurisdiction of the Town of Many for the term of 7/1/22-12/31/22. Motion to approve by Brocato; second by Williams. Motion Passed unanimously.
2. Resolution #11 of 2022 – To enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Sabine Parish Sheriff's Department to share 50% of the total invoices to make Detention Center Road passable and repair potholes and structural faults in the surface; Motion to approve by Brocato; second by Williams. Motion Passed unanimously.
3. Resolution #12 of 2022 - To enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Sabine Parish Police Jury to donate the reclaimed asphalt pavement (RAP) that the Town of Many owns and has stored at the Many Airport to the Sabine Parish Police Jury to be produced into oil sand material; SPPJ will load, transport and provide the road oil sand for processing the RAP and provide the contract labor for processing it into oil sand; SPPJ will haul 25% of the processed oil sand from the processing site back to the Botan Road location and the remaining 75% will become the property of the SPPJ for use at its sole discretion. Motion to approve by Brocato; second by Williams. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Resolution #13 of 2022 – Capital Improvement Plan for Airport 2022-2027 to FAA & LaDOTD Aviation; Motion to approve by Williams; second by Brocato. Motion passed unanimously.
5. Resolution #14 of 2022 - Adopt the millage rate for 2022 Tax Year – 5.34 Mills; Motion to approve by Brocato; second by Williams. Motion passed unanimously.
6. Resolution #15 of 2022 – To approve Town of Many to act as fiscal agent for Central Sabine Fire Department receipt of Act 170 of 2022 regular legislative session monies. Died for lack of action by Council.
7. Award bid to lowest bidder for skid steer with mulcher – Hammer Equipment - \$113,618.37. Motion by Williams; second by Jackson. Motion passed unanimously.
8. Issue permit for Fair Parade for Saturday, September 24th at 2 pm; Motion by Brocato; second by Darwin. Motion passed unanimously.
9. Approval to create the Events and Beautification Committee to become one with the Cultural District. Motion by Darwin; second by Williams; Nay by Brocato; Motion passed unanimously.
10. Reports:
 - a. Budget
 - b. Payables
 - c. Bank Statements
 - d. Overtime Report
 - e. Verification of Taxes Paid
 - f. Verification of Insurance Paid; Motion to accept reports as presented by Brocato; Second by Williams. Motion passed unanimously.
11. Chief's Report a. Recommendation to hire Elijah Lee as a full-time officer at \$15.50/hour with a starting date of 9/1/22; Motion by Brocato; second by Jackson. Motion passed unanimously.
 - b. Recommendation to promote Officer Mason Wiley to Assistant Chief of Police and raise his pay from \$16.00/hour to \$16.75/hour starting 9/1/22. Motion by Brocato; second by Jackson. Motion passed unanimously.

12. Sales Tax Report: Reported by Mayor Hable a Decrease of <9.29%> over June 2021
13. Tourism Report: Reported by Alderwoman Jackson a 25% increase over June 2021 for room sales & occupancy tax.
14. Historical Committee Report: Suzanne Williams stated there was no report.
15. Cultural, Events & Beautification Committee Report: Reported by Alderwoman Williams; New lights & wire have arrived; the group met last week to discuss Christmas Festival/Parade & Fall Fest on Main, October 29, 2022.
16. Fire Board Report: Mayor Hable reported 137 calls for July.
17. Airport Report: Lee Woods reported selling "lots of fuel" and may need to increase price; will get new fencing next year; can start at airport with the new mulcher.
18. Zoning: No report.
19. Grants: Written report given by Suzanne Williams.
20. Street: Report by Supervisor Cecil Jordan: Lites Bros. has completed overlaying; summer help is back at school now; Alderwoman Williams asked if Praise Dr was taken care of and it was reported that Josh fixed the water leak but customer wants water line moved out of his yard; Alderwoman Brocato said street department needs more employees.
21. Animal Control: Officer Cecil Jordan stated that four employees (including 1 police officer) are certified now; Alderwoman Brocato will write press release; 12 dogs & 1 cat picked up and taken to animal shelter.
22. Water: Supervisor Josh Darden reported that chlorine cleanse will start next month to prepare for tank repairs at water plant.
23. Sewer: Supervisor Josh Darden reported manholes & sewer main repairs being done; installed new sewer tap on Ponder; getting plans put together for ground storage tank rehab at water plant; talked to Jeremy Koss today about oxidation pond; talked to David Davis about emergency fuel for generators during storms; wants to talk to Fire Chief about safety training around chlorine; need 3 HAZMAT suits; needs SCBA filled again; have purchased new pole saw & chain saws; need to set a charge for sewer taps to include street department labor.
24. Garbage: No report.
23. Remarks from Council Members: Darwin: none; Jackson: took classes at LMA conference and there is money available for flooding issues, like the creek behind her house; Williams: none. Brocato: Book nooks are being refurbished; Cecil got the one by the PD and set it back up today; The next one by Lou's needs to be fixed and put down by the fish at Sonic; She rode around with Alderwoman Williams yesterday and would like to ride around with other Alderwomen to learn their districts; can we look at contracting out some of the mowing next summer to help our department out; need to put out for bids; letter went out to Fredieu's per Mayor; house on S. Byles needs a blighted property letter sent out. Mayor added that he and Police Chief picked out the first parcels that the blighted letters should go out to.

Adjourn at 6:30 pm: Motion by Jackson; second by Williams. Motion passed unanimously.

Robert H. Hable, Jr., Mayor

Amie Brown, Town Clerk