# City of Harahan 6437 Jefferson Highway Mayor and Harahan City Council Council Meeting Minutes

Date: July 21, 2022 Time: 7:00 P.M.

Mayor Baudier opened the hearing at 7:00 pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Clerk.

### **ROLL CALL**

Present: Councilman Jason Asbill, Councilman Tommy Budde, Councilman Eric Chatelain, Councilman Craig Johnston, Councilman Carrie Wheeler, Mayor Tim Baudier, City Attorney Scott Stansbury, Municipal Clerk Carrie Heustis

Absent: Police Chief Tim Walker, Fire Chief Todd St. Cyr, Finance Director Todd Tournillon

#### **MAYOR'S ANNOUNCMENT**

Mayor Baudier called up Perry Mains, an intern for the city, to discuss Restaurant Week

Councilman Chatelain gave an update on field repairs at the Playground. Mayor Baudier gave a FEMA update.

#### **SPECIAL PRESENTATION #1**

1. Chief Walker - Current State of the Harahan Police Department. Assistant Chief Bryan St Cyr spoke on Chief Walker's behalf

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Reading of the Minutes of the Council Meeting on June 23, 2022.

Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.

No one spoke.

Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.

Motion by Councilman Wheeler to dispense with the reading of the minutes.

**Seconded by Councilman Johnston** 

Mayor Baudier called for the vote, the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler

NAYS: None ABSENT: None MOTION PASSES

Approval of the Minutes of the Council Meeting on June 23, 2022.

Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.

No one spoke.

Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.

Motion by Councilman Budde to approve the minutes.

Seconded by Councilman Chatelain.

Mayor Baudier called for the vote, the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

**MOTION PASSES/MINUTES APPROVED** 

Reading of the Minutes of the Special Meeting on July 5, 2022.

Motion by Councilman Wheeler to dispense with the reading of the minutes.

Seconded by Councilman Budde.

Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.

No one spoke.

Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.

Mayor Baudier called for the vote, the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler

NAYS: None ABSENT: None MOTION PASSES

Approval of the Minutes of the Special Meeting on July 5, 2022.

Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.

No one spoke.

Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.

Motion by Councilman Budde to approve the minutes.

Seconded by Councilman Wheeler.

Mayor Baudier called for the vote, the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

**MOTION PASSES/MINUTES APPROVED** 

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

Reading of the Minutes of the Planning & Zoning Meeting on July 6, 2022.

Motion by Councilman Chatelain, seconded by Councilman Budde to dispense with the reading of the minutes.

Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.

No one spoke.

Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.

Mayor Baudier called for the vote, the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler

NAYS: None ABSENT: None MOTION PASSES

Approval of the Minutes of the Planning & Zoning Meeting on July 6, 2022.

Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.

No one spoke.

Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.

**Council Discussion** 

1) Tommy Budde

Motion by Councilman Johnston to approve the minutes.

Seconded by Councilman Wheeler.

Mayor Baudier called for the vote, the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

**MOTION PASSES/MINUTES APPROVED** 

# **RESOLUTIONS**

None

# **ORDINANCES FOR APPROVAL**

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2022-12

The following Ordinance was proposed by Councilman Asbill and seconded by Councilman Chatelain.

An Ordinance approving the Final Resubdivision Plat of Lot A-2C, Soniat or

Tchoupitoulas Plantation Subdivision, City of Harahan, Parish of Jefferson, State of

Louisiana, into Lot A-2C-1, Soniat or Tchoupitoulas Plantation Subdivision, and Lots 14 through 23, Colonial Place, Phase 1, all pursuant to a plan made by Ronald Clement, P.L.S., dated June 1, 2022

Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.

- 1) Danny McKearan spoke.
- 2) Maurizio Francescon spoke and answered council questions.
- 3) Danny McKearan spoke and answered council questions.

Danny McKearan asked the council to give him a few minutes to get the documents from his Engineer that Councilman Budde was requesting.

Councilman Asbill made a motion to amend the agenda to take up Proposed Ordinance 2022-14.

**Seconded** 

Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.

No one spoke.

Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.

Mayor Baudier called for the vote, the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

**MOTION PASSES/ AGENDA AMENDED** 

We will revisit Proposed Ordinance 2022-12 & 2022-13.

### **PROPOSED ORDINANCE 2022-14**

The following Ordinance was proposed by Councilman Asbill and seconded by Councilman Johnston.

An Ordinance confirming the proper form of an Ordinance adopted on May 19, 2022, with respect to the levy of the sales and use tax authorized at a special election held in the City of Harahan on March 26, 2022.

Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.

No one spoke.

Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.

**Council Discussion** 

- 1) Jason Asbill
- 2) Tommy Budde
- 3) Jason Asbill
- 4) Tommy Budde

Jason Akers with Foley & Judell came up and answered council questions.

5) Tommy Budde

Councilman Asbill made a motion to approve proposed Ordinance 2022-14. Seconded by Councilman Johnston.

Mayor Baudier called for the vote, the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

**ORDINANCE APPROVED** 

Motion by Councilman Chatelain for a 5-minute recess seconded by Councilman Asbill.

**RECESS GRANTED** 

Meeting Called to Order by Mayor Baudier at 8:05PM

Councilman Asbill made a motion to amend the agenda to take up Proposed Ordinance 2022-15.

Seconded by Councilman Johnston.

Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.

No one spoke.

Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.

Mayor Baudier called for the vote, the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Asbill, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler

NAYS: None ABSENT: Budde

**MOTION PASSES/ AGENDA AMENDED** 

#### PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2022-15

The following Ordinance was proposed by Councilman Asbill and seconded by Councilman Johnston.

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 1925, the annual Budget of Revenues and Expenditures for the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2022, for the Capital Project Fund, of the City of Harahan, Louisiana (Police Department Vehicle and Booking Canopy).

Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.

No one spoke.

Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.

**Council Discussion** 

1. Tommy Budde

Assistant Chief Bryan St Cyr came up to answer council questions

- 2. Eric Chatelain
- 3. Tommy Budde

Assistant Chief Bryan St Cyr spoke.

4. Tommy Budde

Assistant Chief Bryan St Cyr spoke.

- 5. Tommy Budde
- 6. Jason Asbill

Motion by Councilman Asbill seconded by Councilman Johnston to adopt.

Mayor Baudier called for the vote, the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

**ORDINANCE APPROVED** 

Motion by Councilman Chatelain to move back to Proposed Ordinance 2022-12. Seconded by Councilman Budde.

Mayor Baudier called for the vote, the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

**MOTION PASSES/ AGENDA AMENDED** 

Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.

1. Danny McKearan

Tommy Budde spoke.

Eric Chatelain spoke.

Jason Asbill spoke.

Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.

Jason Asbill made a motion to amend Section 8 of the Ordinance to read; Insomuch as the City of Harahan has the authority to grant such, the sidewalk for Lots 1-23. Deleting the word, therefore.

Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.

No one spoke.

Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.

Mayor Baudier called for the vote, the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

**ORDINANCE AMENDED** 

**Council Discussion** 

1. Eric Chatelain

- 2. Tommy Budde
- 3. Jason Asbill

Danny Mckearan spoke.

Mayor Baudier spoke.

Mayor Baudier called for a 5 minute recess.

**RECESS GRANTED** 

Meeting Called to Order by Mayor Baudier at 8:28PM

#### **Council Discussion**

1. Jason Asbill

Councilman Asbill made a motion to approve.

2. Tommy Budde

Councilman Asbill made a motion to approve based on the drawings that Meyer Engineers has reviewed.

- 3. Tommy Budde
- 4. Jason Asbill
- 5. Eric Chatelain
- 6. Tommy Budde
- 7. Jason Asbill
- 8. Tommy Budde
- 9. Jason Asbill

**Mayor Baudier spoke** 

- 10. Jason Asbill
- 11. Tommy Budde
- 12. Jason Asbill
- 13. Tommy Budde
- 14. Craig Johnston
- 15. Tommy Budde
- 16. Eric Chatelain
- 17. Tommy Budde
- 18. Eric Chatelain
- 19. Craig Johnston
- 20. Tommy Budde
- 21. Eric Chatelain
- 22. Tommy Budde23. Eric Chatelain
- 24. Tommy Budde
- 25. Carrie Wheeler

**Danny Mckearan Spoke** 

26. Tommy Budde

Councilman Budde made a motion to amend Ordinance 2022-12 Line 29 after the words Ronald Clement P.L.S. add the words dated June 14, 2022 and as shown on As-built drawings dated July 5, 2022 prepared by Duplantis Design Group.

Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.

No one spoke.

Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.

**Council Discussion** 

- 1. Craig Johnston
- 2. Tommy Budde

Councilman Budde made a motion to amend his original amendment to Ordinance 2022-12 Line 29 after the words Ronald Clement P.L.S. add the words dated June 14, 2022, and as shown on As-built drawings dated July 5, 2022 prepared by Duplantis Design Group, attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and Exhibit "B"

Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.

No one spoke.

Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.

**Motion seconded by Councilman Chatelain** 

Mayor Baudier called for the vote, the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

**ORDINANCE AMENDED** 

Motion by Councilman Wheeler to approve Proposed Ordinance 2022-12 as amended. Seconded by Councilman Johnston.

Mayor Baudier called for the vote.

Councilman Asbill asked for a point of order to confirm if an amendment was needed in Section 1 as well.

Councilman Budded then made a motion to amend the Ordinance 2022-12 Line 62 after the words Ronald Clement P.L.S. add the words dated June 14, 2022 and as shown on As-built drawings dated July 5, 2022 prepared by Duplantis Design Group, attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and Exhibit "B"

Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.

No one spoke.

Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.

**Seconded by Councilman Johnston** 

Mayor Baudier called for the vote, the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

**ORDINANCE AMENDED** 

Motion by Councilman Asbill to approve as amended.

Seconded by Councilman Wheeler.

Mayor Baudier called for the vote.

Mayor Baudier called for the vote, the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

**ORDINANCE APPROVED** 

# PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2022-13

The following Ordinance was proposed by Councilman Asbill and seconded by Councilman Johnston.

An Ordinance approving the Final Resubdivision Plat of Lot A-2C-1, Soniat or Tchoupitoulas Plantation Subdivision, City of Harahan, Parish of Jefferson, State of Louisiana, into Lot A-2C-1A, Soniat or Tchoupitoulas Plantation Subdivision, and Lots 24 through 27, Colonial Place, Phase 1, all pursuant to a plan made by Ronald Clement, P.L.S., dated June 1, 2022

Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.

- 1) Derrick (no last name given) 76 Oak Ave
- 2) Danny Mckearan

Tommy Budde spoke.

3) Derrick (no last name given)

Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.

**Council Discussion** 

- 1) Jason Asbill
- 2) Tommy Budde
- 3) Eric Chatelain

Councilman Asbill made a motion to amend Proposed Ordinance 2022-13 by adding to the beginning of Section 7; Insomuch as the City of Harahan has the authority to grant such,

Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.

No one spoke.

Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.

Seconded by Councilman Johnston.

Mayor Baudier called for the vote, the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

**ORDINANCE AMENDED** 

Councilman Asbill made a motion to amend Proposed Ordinance 2022-13 to incorporate Section 7 from Proposed Ordinance 2022-12 by reference into Proposed Ordinance 2022-13 (creating section 8)

Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.

No one spoke.

Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.

Mayor Baudier called for the vote, the vote was as follows:

Seconded by Councilman Johnston.

YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

**ORDINANCE AMENDED** 

### **Council Discussion**

# 1) Tommy Budde

Councilman Budde made a motion to amend Proposed Ordinance 2022-13, Line 64, after the words Ronald Clement P.L.S., dated delete the words February 11, 2022 insert the words June 14, 2022 and as shown on As-built drawings dated July 5, 2022 prepared by Duplantis Design Group, attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and Exhibit "B" Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.

No one spoke.

Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.

**Seconded by Councilman Wheeler** 

Mayor Baudier called for the vote, the vote was as follows:

Seconded by Councilman Johnston.

YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

**ORDINANCE AMENDED** 

Motion by Councilman Asbill, seconded by Councilman Budde to approve as amended.

Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.

No one spoke.

Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.

Mayor Baudier called for the vote, the vote was as follows:

Seconded by Councilman Johnston.

YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

**ORDINANCE APPROVED** 

# **ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION (FIRST READING)**

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2022-16

The following Ordinance was proposed by Councilman Chatelain.

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 1925, the annual Budget of Revenues and Expenditures for the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2022, for the Capital Project Fund, of the City of Harahan, Louisiana (City Hall Canopy).

# PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2022-17

The following Ordinance was proposed by Councilman Asbill.

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 1925, the annual Budget of Revenues and Expenditures for the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2022, by amending the budget of the Fire Sales Tax Fund.

#### **PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2022-18**

The following Ordinance was proposed by Councilman Wheeler.

An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 1827, Sewerage District No. 1 of the City of Harahan, and the Harahan Municipal Code, Chapter 90, Article II, Division 2, USER CHARGES, Section 90-58. - Schedule of charges, providing for a change of user charges for services rendered by the said Sewerage District.

# **OLD BUSINESS**

**Old Business #1** 

1. Board of Adjustment dismissal and appointments.

Councilman Johnston made a motion to defer.

Motion seconded by Councilman Wheeler.

Mayor Baudier called for the vote, the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Johnston, Wheeler

**NAYS: None** 

**ABSENT: Chatelain** 

**APPOINTMENT DEFERRED** 

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**New Business #1** 

1. Todd Tournillon, Finance Director – monthly financials with budget to actual comparisons.

Todd Tournillon was absent - no report.

#### **New Business #2**

2. A letter from Police Chief Tim Walker requesting to add this letter to the council meeting agenda. Please be advised nominations for the employee representative to the Civil Service Board were open from June 29<sup>th</sup> – July 3rd. Sergeant David Darwin was the only nominee and is therefore declared elected.

Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.

No one spoke.

Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.

Motion by Councilman Johnston to confirm the appointment.

Seconded by Councilman Budde.

Mayor Baudier called for the vote, the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Budde, Johnston, Wheeler

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: Asbill ABSENT: Chatelain

**CIVIL SERVICE APPOINTMENT APPROVED** 

## **New Business #3**

3. Consider August Council Meeting Date Change.

Proposed date change is Wednesday August 17, 2022 at 7pm

Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.

No one spoke.

Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.

Mayor Baudier called for the vote, the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

**AUGUST COUNCIL MEETING DATE CHANGED** 

## **New Business #4**

4. The City of Harahan currently charges \$7.10/month for garbage service on each resident's water bill. Any increases in cost to the city for garbage and trash collection and disposal are authorized to be billed to the residents and users of the garbage and trash collection and disposal services provided by the city. The City is authorized to include in statements for water services, an amount, in addition to the said basic garbage and trash charge, equal to the increases for said garbage and

trash collection and disposal charges based upon increases in the consumer price index. Based on the City's current garbage contract, the garbage service charge will be increased to \$8.60/month on each resident's water bill, to become effective September 1, 2022.

Motion by Councilman Chatelain to withdraw.

**Seconded by Councilman Budde** 

Mayor Baudier called for the vote, the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

**NEW BUSINESS #4 WITHDRAWN** 

Councilman Asbill made a motion to add Planning & Zoning appointment to New Business.

**Seconded by Councilman Budde** 

Mayor Baudier called for the vote, the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

**NEW BUSINESS #5 ADDED** 

**New Business #5** 

5. Planning and Zoning Appointment

Councilman Wheeler would like to nominate Linda Domain.

Seconded by Councilman Asbill.

Councilman Budde made a motion to defer the vote until the August meeting.

Seconded by Councilman Johnston.

Mayor Baudier called for the vote, the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

**APPOINTMENT DEFFERED** 

# **ADDRESS THE COUNCIL**

- 1. Lynette Garcia
- 2. Louise Chapman

# **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

The financials were not completed for the month of June. They will be on the August agenda along with July's financials.

## **REPORTS**

Police Chief Walker - Assistant Chief Bryan St Cyr spoke.

Chief St. Cyr – No report

Councilman Asbill spoke.

Councilman Budde no report.

Councilman Chatelain no report.

Councilman Johnston no report.

Councilman Wheeler no report.

Mayor Baudier spoke.

# **PAY BILLS**

The financials were not completed for the month of June. They will be on the August agenda along with July.

# **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

# **ADJOURN**

Motion by Councilman Johnston and seconded by Councilman Wheeler to adjourn the meeting at 9:26PM

Mayor Baudier called for the vote; the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

**MOTION PASSES/MEETING ADJOURNED** 

- A. The following matter involving pending litigation may be considered (Court, Case Number, Parties):
  - 1. Wood Materials LLC, Wood Resources LLC v. City of Harahan, 24th JDC, Case 761-783, Div. "K"
  - 2. Michael Wright v. City of Harahan, et al, US District Court, Civil Action No. 19-13529, Sect. F (5)
  - 3. Mary Erler v. City of Harahan and Veolia Corp and ABC Ins. Co., 24th JDC, Case 757-888, Div. "F"
  - 4. Ronald Lightell v. Harahan Police Dept. and City of Harahan, Civil Action No. 20-cv-672
- B. The following matter involving prospective litigation for which formal written demand has been made may be considered.
- C. The following matters involving discussion of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of:

Name:

Submitted by: Carrie Heustis

Carrie Heustis, City Clerk (Electronically Signed)