

**City of Harahan
6437 Jefferson Highway
Mayor and Harahan City Council
Special Meeting Minutes**

Date: November 28, 2022

Time: 6:00 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, Finance Director Todd Tournillon, City Attorney Scott Stansbury, Municipal Clerk Carrie Heustis

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

Mayor Baudier asked for a point of personal privilege and asked everyone to keep Officer Dunning in their prayers after being found sick in his car at a red light.

ORDINANCES FOR APPROVAL

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2022-27

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

An Ordinance authorizing the City of Harahan to borrow Capital funds to pay off all outstanding FEMA bills.

Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.

No one spoke.

Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.

Council Discussion.

1. Eric Chatelain

2. Tommy Budde

3. Jason Asbill

4. Tommy Budde

5. Jason Asbill

6. Eric Chatelain

Todd Tournillon spoke and answered council questions.

Mayor Baudier spoke.

Todd Tournillon spoke.

7. Eric Chatelain

Todd Tournillon spoke.

8. Jason Asbill

Mayor Baudier spoke.

9. Jason Asbill

Mayor Baudier spoke.

10. Tommy Budde

11. Eric Chatelain

Todd Tournillon spoke.

Mayor Baudier spoke.

Todd Tournillon spoke.

12. Tommy Budde

Todd Tournillon spoke.

13. Jason Asbill

Todd Tournillon spoke.

14. Carrie Wheeler

Todd Tournillon spoke.

15. Tommy Budde
16. Carrie Wheeler
Mayor Baudier spoke.
17. Tommy Budde
Mayor Baudier spoke.
18. Tommy Budde
Mayor Baudier spoke.
Todd Tournillon spoke.
19. Tommy Budde
20. Eric Chatelain
21. Carrie Wheeler
Mayor Baudier spoke.
22. Carrie Wheeler
23. Eric Chatelain
24. Jason Asbill
Todd Tournillon spoke.
25. Carrie Wheeler
26. Jason Asbill
27. Eric Chatelain
28. Carrie Wheeler
29. Eric Chatelain
30. Tommy Budde
31. Eric Chatelain
32. Carrie Wheeler
33. Jason Asbill
Todd Tournillon spoke.
34. Carrie Wheeler
35. Eric Chatelain
36. Tommy Budde
Todd Tournillon spoke.
37. Tommy Budde
38. Jason Asbill
Todd Tournillon spoke.
39. Carrie Wheeler
40. Eric Chatelain
41. Jason Asbill
42. Tommy Budde
Mayor Baudier spoke.
43. Tommy Budde
Mayor Baudier spoke.
44. Jason Asbill
45. Tommy Budde
Carrie Heustis spoke.
46. Jason Asbill
Todd Tournillon spoke.
47. Carrie Wheeler
48. Jason Asbill
49. Tommy Budde
50. Jason Asbill
51. Eric Chatelain
Mayor Baudier spoke.
52. Carrie Wheeler
Mayor Baudier spoke.
53. Jason Asbill
54. Tommy Budde
Mayor Baudier spoke.
55. Eric Chatelain
Mayor Baudier spoke.
56. Tommy Budde
Todd Tournillon spoke.
57. Tommy Budde

58. Jason Asbill

59. Tommy Budde

60. Eric Chatelain

Councilman Asbill proposed moving to the next ordinance and then taking a recess to go through the numbers and then come back to this Ordinance.

61. Tommy Budde

62. Eric Chatelain

Todd Tournillon spoke.

63. Jason Asbill

64. Tommy Budde

Mayor Baudier spoke.

65. Tommy Budde

66. Eric Chatelain

Todd Tournillon spoke.

67. Jason Asbill

68. Tommy Budde

69. Jason Asbill

Todd Tournillon spoke.

Mayor Baudier spoke.

70. Tommy Budde

71. Eric Chatelain

72. Tommy Budde

Todd Tournillon spoke.

73. Jason Asbill

Mayor Baudier spoke.

74. Tommy Budde

Mayor Baudier spoke.

75. Eric Chatelain

76. Tommy Budde

Mayor Baudier spoke.

77. Tommy Budde

Mayor Baudier spoke.

78. Tommy Budde

Todd Tournillon spoke.

79. Tommy Budde

80. Carrie Wheeler

81. Tommy Budde

82. Carrie Wheeler

83. Eric Chatelain

84. Tommy Budde

85. Carrie Wheeler

86. Tommy Budde

87. Carrie Wheeler

88. Jason Asbill

89. Carrie Wheeler

90. Tommy Budde

91. Eric Chatelain

92. Tommy Budde

93. Eric Chatelain

94. Jason Asbill

95. Tommy Budde

96. Jason Asbill

97. Carrie Wheeler

98. Tommy Budde

99. Carrie Wheeler

100. Craig Johnston

101. Carrie Wheeler

102. Tommy Budde

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

RECESS GRANTED 6:46PM

Meeting called back to order by Mayor Baudier at 6:59PM

Councilman Asbill made a motion to defer Proposed Ordinance 2022-27 to after Proposed Ordinance 2022-30.

Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.

No one spoke.

Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.

Seconded by Councilman Budde.

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

YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Johnston, Wheeler

NAYS: Chatelain

ABSENT: None

MOTION PASSES/ORDINANCE DEFFERED

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2022-30

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

An Ordinance authorizing the City of Harahan to borrow \$328,128.93 from Capital to pay Veolia and terminate the contract.

Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.

No one spoke.

Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.

Council Discussion

1. Eric Chatelain

2. Jason Asbill

3. Eric Chatelain

4. Jason Asbill

5. Tommy Budde

6. Jason Asbill

Councilman Asbill made a motion to reopen the public hearing.

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/PUBLIC HEARING OPEN

Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.

1. Mike Ricks

Mayor Baudier spoke.

Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.

Council Discussion

1. Carrie Wheeler

2. Craig Johnston

3. Carrie Wheeler

4. Craig Johnston

5. Tommy Budde

Mayor Baudier spoke.

6. Jason Asbill

7. Tommy Budde

8. Jason Asbill

Mayor Baudier spoke.

9. Tommy Budde

10. Craig Johnston

11. Eric Chatelain

12. Craig Johnston

Mayor Baudier spoke.

Todd Tournillon spoke.

Mayor Baudier spoke.

13. Tommy Budde

14. Jason Asbill

15. Tommy Budde

16. Eric Chatelain

Mayor Baudier spoke.

17. Jason Asbill

18. Tommy Budde

19. Jason Asbill

20. Tommy Budde

21. Eric Chatelain

22. Tommy Budde

23. Carrie Wheeler

24. Tommy Budde

Mayor Baudier spoke.

Todd Tournillon spoke.

25. Tommy Budde

26. Eric Chatelain

27. Tommy Budde

28. Eric Chatelain

29. Tommy Budde

30. Eric Chatelain

31. Tommy Budde

32. Craig Johnston

33. Eric Chatelain

34. Tommy Budde

Scott Stansbury answered council questions.

35. Craig Johnston

36. Jason Asbill

37. Eric Chatelain

38. Jason Asbill

39. Tommy Budde

40. Jason Asbill

Mayor Baudier spoke.

Todd Tournillon spoke.

41. Carrie Wheeler

42. Jason Asbill

43. Tommy Budde

Mayor Baudier spoke.

44. Tommy Budde

Councilman Asbill made a motion to amend Proposed Ordinance 2022-30 to add new Section 2 to read this Ordinance is contingent upon Veolia providing a full release of all current and future claims against the City of Harahan or words substantially to that effect and then renumbering the following sections.

45. Tommy Budde

Councilman Asbill moved to open public hearing on the amendment.

Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.

No one spoke.

Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.

Councilman Asbill moved to proposed amendment.

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/ORDINANCE AMENDED

Scott Stansbury spoke.

Councilman Asbill made a motion to amend Section 1 of Proposed Ordinance 2022-30 to read; An Ordinance to transfer money from the Capital Fund to the Sewer Operating Fund to pay Veolia for the purpose of terminating the contract.

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:

YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION PASSES/ORDINANCE AMENDED

Motion by Councilman Chatelain to go back to Proposed Ordinance 2022-27.

Seconded by Councilman Budde.

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

YEAS: Budde, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler

NAYS: Asbill

ABSENT: None

MOTION PASSES/MOVING BACK TO PROPOSED ORDINANCE 2022-27

Council Discussion

Councilman Chatelain made a motion to amend Proposed Ordinance 2022-27 to take \$636,627.67 and change that to \$209,000.00.

1. Tommy Budde

2. Jason Asbill

3. Tommy Budde

4. Eric Chatelain

5. Tommy Budde

6. Craig Johnston

7. Tommy Budde

8. Carrie Wheeler

9. Tommy Budde

Councilman Budde made a motion to amend Proposed Ordinance 2022-27 Section 1 to read; An Ordinance to loan \$100,000.00 from the Capital Fund to the General Operating Fund to pay \$100,000.00 of FEMA bills. Said \$100,000.00 loan to be repaid to the Capital Fund upon the receipt of the next \$100,000.00 from FEMA for Hurricane Ida.

10. Tommy Budde

11. Eric Chatelain

12. Carrie Wheeler

13. Tommy Budde

14. Carrie Wheeler

15. Eric Chatelain

16. Carrie Wheeler

17. Eric Chatelain

18. Tommy Budde

19. Carrie Wheeler

20. Tommy Budde

Councilman Budde made a motion to propose an amendment to Proposed Ordinance 2022-27 to be added after the previous amendment to read; Furthermore, an Ordinance authorizing the payment of \$109,767.33 to FEMA vendors from the Hurricane IDA insurance proceeds in the Capital Fund.

Councilman Chatelain withdrew his amendment.

Councilman seconded both of Councilman Budde's amendments.

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/ORDINANCE AMENDED WITH TWO AMENDMENTS

Councilman Asbill made a motion to move as amended.

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:

YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION PASSES/ORDINANCE PASSES

Back to Proposed Ordinance 2022-30 as amended twice.

An Ordinance authorizing the City of Harahan to borrow \$328,128.93 from Capital to pay Veolia and terminate the contract.

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/ORDINANCE PASSES

ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION (FIRST READING)

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2022-32

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 1925, the annual Budget of Revenues and Expenditures for the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2022, for the City of Harahan, Louisiana.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2022-33

An Ordinance adopting the annual Budget of Revenue and Expenditures for the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2023, for the City of Harahan, Louisiana.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2022-34

An Ordinance amending the Harahan Code of Ordinances Section 14-164 "Work Not Requiring a Building Permit" relative to building permit for sidewalks.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Request from the Lafont family to block one block of Doescher on December 18, 2022, from 6-8PM for a Christmas concert.

Motion by Councilman Asbill to approve

Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.

No one spoke.

Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.

Council Discussion

1. Tommy Budde

2. Jason Asbill

3. Tommy Budde

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/PERMISSION GRANTED

ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

No one came forward.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary's report for October, 2022

Total revenues \$964,064.00

PAY BILLS

Bills paid in October, 2022

Total expenditures \$802,331.04

ADJOURN

Motion by Councilman Asbill to adjourn.

Seconded by Councilman Johnston to adjourn the meeting at 7:40PM

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*)**