

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

**Date: October 20, 2022**

**Time: 7:00 P.M.**

**Mayor Baudier opened the hearing at 7:03 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, Police Chief Tim Walker, Finance Director Todd Tournillon, City Attorney Scott Stansbury, Municipal Clerk Carrie Heustis**

**Absent: Fire Chief Todd St. Cyr**

**Motion by Councilman Asbill seconded by Councilman Wheeler to bring up a special guest, State Representative “Big” John Illg, who came up and spoke.**

**MAYOR’S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

**1. Chief Walker - Current State of the Harahan Police Department.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Reading of the Minutes of the Council Meeting on September 15, 2022.**

**Motion by Councilman Asbill to dispense with the reading of the minutes.**

**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, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: None**

**MOTION PASSES**

**Approval of the Minutes of the Council Meeting on September 15, 2022.**

**Motion by Councilman Johnston to approve the minutes.**

**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/MINUTES APPROVED**

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**NONE**

**RESOLUTIONS**

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 2022-10**

**The following Resolution was offered unanimously by the council of the City of Harahan.**

**A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute the waiver of land use/permitting form for temporary housing and shelter assistance in the City of Harahan.**

**Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.**

**No one spoke.**

**Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.**

**Council Discussion**

**Tommy Budde pointed out a typo that needs correction, line 22 the word and should be any.**

**1. Tommy Budde**

**2. Jason Asbill**

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

**YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: None**

**RESOLUTION PASSES**

#### **PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 2022-11**

**The following Resolution was offered unanimously by the council of the City of Harahan.**

**A resolution authorizing Mayor Tim Baudier to pay off the June 1, 2023, maturity of the Public Improvement Refunding Bonds, Series 2016, of the City of Harahan, State of Louisiana, and providing for other matters in connection therewith.**

**Mayor Baudier asked for a point of personal privilege to bring up Finance Director Todd Tournillon to discuss the details**

**Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.**

**No one spoke.**

**Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.**

**Council Discussion**

**1. Tommy Budde**

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

**YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: None**

**RESOLUTION PASSES**

#### **PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 2022-12**

**The following Resolution was offered by Councilman Asbill**

**A Resolution of the Mayor of Harahan and Harahan City Council recognizing October 2022 as Long-Term Care Residents' Rights Month.**

**Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.**

**Vicky Castay – Louisiana Ombudsman Program**

**Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.**

**Jason Asbill presented the Proclamation.**

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

**YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: None**

**RESOLUTION PASSES**

#### **ORDINANCES FOR APPROVAL**

##### **PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2022-20**

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

**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. (Fitness Court)**

**Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.**

**No one spoke.**

**Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.**

**Councilman Chatelain made a motion to defer this.**

**Seconded by Councilman Asbill.**

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

**YEAS: Asbill, Budde, Chatelain, Johnston, Wheeler**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: None**

**ORDINANCE DEFFERED**

**The following Ordinance was proposed by Councilman Chatelain and seconded by Councilman Johnston.**

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2022-21**

**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. (Street Paving)**

**Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.**

**No one spoke.**

**Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.**

**Council Discussion.**

**1. Eric Chatelain**

**Motion by Councilman Asbill to proceed with the vote.**

**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**

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

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2022-22**

**An Ordinance amending the Harahan Code of Ordinances Sec. 86-36 "Pedestrian Ways" relative to sidewalk construction.**

**Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.**

**No one spoke.**

**Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.**

**Council Discussion.**

**1. Jason Asbill**

**2. Eric Chatelain**

**3. Jason Asbill**

**4. Tommy Budde**

**5. Jason Asbill**

**6. Tommy Budde**

**7. Jason Asbill**

**8. Tommy Budde**

**9. Eric Chatelain**

**10. Tommy Budde**

**Motion by Councilman Asbill to defer this.**

**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**

**ORDINANCE DEFFERED**

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

**The following Ordinance was proposed by Councilman Chatelain.**

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2022-23**

**An Ordinance approving the re-zoning of Lot 139, Square H, in the West Imperial Subdivision, City of Harahan, Parish of Jefferson, State of Louisiana, as per a plan made by Gilbert, Kelly, & Couturie, Inc, dated March 4, 1972.**

**The following Ordinance was proposed by Councilman Asbill.**

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2022-24**

**An Ordinance adopting the following policies for the City of Harahan, Louisiana as recommended by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor. (Bank Reconciliations, Budgeting, Card, Contracting, Debt Service, Ethics, Payroll, Purchasing-Disbursements, Sexual Harassment, & Travel Expense Reimbursement)**

**The following Ordinance was proposed by Councilman Chatelain.**

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2022-25**

**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. (Speed Tables & Radar Sign)**

**The following Ordinance was proposed by Councilman Chatelain.**

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2022-26**

**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. (Street Repair)**

**The following Ordinance was proposed by Councilman Chatelain.**

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2022-27**

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

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Old Business #1**

**1. Board of Adjustment dismissal and appointments.**

**No recommendations.**

**Councilman Wheeler made a motion to defer.**

**Motion 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**

**APPOINTMENT DEFERRED**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**New Business #1**

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

**Mayor Baudier took a point of personal privilege to recognize Lieutenant Adam Pearson.**

**New Business #2**

**2. The Harahan Police Department is requesting approval to host the Christmas Parade this year on December 17, 2022. The parade will start at 12:00PM on Hord Street and continue westbound on Jefferson Hwy, disbanding at Folse Street. There will be no rain date.**

**Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.**

**No one spoke.**

**Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.**

**Motion by Councilman Asbill to approve.**

**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**

**PERMISSION GRANTED**

**New Business #3**

**3. William Lark at 149 Ravan Ave respectfully requests permission for Bourg Street, between Elaine and Ravan, to be closed Friday November 11, 2022, at 4:00PM through Sunday, November 13, 2022 at 9:00PM for the St Rita Pecan Festival. All neighbors affected by this closure will be notified.**

**Mayor Baudier opened the public hearing.**

**No one spoke.**

**Mayor Baudier closed the public hearing.**

**Motion by Councilman Asbill to approve.**

**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**

**PERMISSION GRANTED**

**ADDRESS THE COUNCIL**

- 1. Letter written by Danny McKearan**
- 2. Rhonda Bagby**
- 3. Maurizio Francescon**
- 4. Serge Villanova**
- 5. Tommy Duffy**

**SECRETARY'S REPORT**

**Secretary's report for September, 2022**

**Total revenues \$752,516.00**

**REPORTS**

**Police Chief Walker spoke and gave the monthly statistics.**

**Chief St. Cyr - absent**

**Councilman Asbill spoke.**

**Councilman Budde spoke.**

**Councilman Chatelain spoke.**

**Councilman Johnston spoke.**

**Councilman Wheeler spoke.**

**Mayor Baudier spoke and asked for a moment of silence for Robert Corona who recently passed away.**

**PAY BILLS**

**Bills paid in September, 2022**

**Total expenditures \$784,694.37**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**None**

**ADJOURN**

**Motion by Councilman Johnston and seconded by Councilman Wheeler to adjourn the meeting at 8:17PM**

**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 Eler 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)*