Village of Elizabeth

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PUBLIC MEETING

Village Council Meeting was held 7/27/21 at 5:30pm at the Elizabeth Community Center, 210 East Main Street, Elizabeth, LA.

The notice of Meeting/ Agenda having been duly posted in accordance with requirements and a quorum being present, the meeting was called to order Mayor Mandy Green at 5:30pm. Prayer led by Ken Kelly-Mayor ProTem, then Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor, Council and Staff Present

Mandy L Green, Mayor Kelly Stalsby, Alderwoman Ken Kelly, Alderman Angela Smith, Alderwoman Denise Lee, Village Clerk Kevin Fontenot, Village Attorney

Council and Staff Absent:

Mike Holmes, Village Attorney Katrina Ford, Police Chief Winston Lambright, Fire Chief

- **1.** Mayor Green asked if there is any member of the public wishing to make comments regarding any item on the agenda. No comments from the public.
- 2. Mayor requested to add to the agenda the condemnation of 308 Cypress St. property. Request for public comments. No public comments. Angela Smith made a motion to add condemnation of 308 Cypress St. property to the agenda. Ken Kelly seconded. Unanimous Yea Vote.
- **3.** Mayor requested to add to the agenda for DryMax to begin Mold Remediation on Village Hall and give permission for Mayor to be able to authorize change orders during the process. Ken Kelly made a motion to add to the agenda. Kelly Stalsby seconded. Unanimous Yea Vote.
- **4.** Mayor requested to add to the agenda for Council to approve MML&H as engineers for the Sewer Project if pursued. Ken Kelly made a motion to add to the agenda. Kelly Stalsby seconded. Unanimous Yea Vote.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Ken Kelly made a motion to approve minutes from 6/14/21 meeting. Angela Smith seconded. All in favor.
- B. Request for public comments on agenda with the additions. No public comments. Angela Smith made a motion to approve the agenda with the additions. Kelly Stalsby seconded. Unanimous Yea Vote.

6. MAYOR'S REPORT

*Old Business

- A. Public hearing opened on proposed **Ordinance 26A Amendment to Ordinance 26 Zoning and Regulations**. Kevin Fontenot went over several points of the Zoning Ordinance. There was comments from the public concerning the zoning. After much discussion it was decided for several points to be revised in the draft ordinance and to be voted on at the next council meeting. Closed hearing.
- B. Public hearing opened on proposed **Ordinance 06-17C** which increases all Utility Deposits by \$50.00 (amendment to Ord. 06-17B) No comments were given. Closed hearing.

- C. Ken Kelly made a motion to adopt **Ordinance 06-17C** Utility Deposit increase by \$50.00 to become effective August 1, 2021. Angela Smith seconded. All in favor.
- D. Property cleanup request to clean immediately due to notice was returned to sender. Parcel 0450000450B, 1012 Bay Street, Eddie and Catherine Johnson was removed at request of Mayor. Property has been cleaned.
- E. Ken Kelly Introduced Proposed **Ordinance 33-21 Garage Sale Permits** which will require a permit to have garage sales only for limited days within the Village limits.

*New Business

- A. Council discussed Fire Department Standard Operating Procedures concerning approval of invoices and budget matters. Council would like to have more time to compare to the Village Handbook. Ken Kelly made a motion to table until the next meeting. Kelly Stalsby seconded. All in favor
- B. The 308 Cypress St. property was discussed about the severely bad condition of the house. The property owner no longer wants the property. Kelly Stalsby made a motion to run notice in the paper of the property and get an engineer to condemn the property, then request for it to be removed properly. Angela Smith seconded. All in favor.
- C. Angela Smith made a motion to adopt **Resolution 45-2021** which gives the Mayor permission to allow DryMax to begin Mold Remediation on the Village Hall and to make change orders during the process. The cost of Mold Remediation is around \$178,000.00. The cost of remediation may be more depending on what they find when the coverings on the walls are removed. This price does not include the cost of building and constructing things back to its original state. The Village will most likely have to take out a loan to complete the Village Hall Project. Ken Kelly seconded. All in favor.
- D. Ken Kelly made a motion to allow MML&H to be the engineers for the Sewer Project if funded and pursued. Advertisement was posted in the Oakdale Journal requesting for interested Engineers for the project. MML&H was the only response and with all necessary qualifications. Angela Smith seconded. All in favor.

7. VILLAGE ATTORNEY REPORT

- A. Kevin Fontenot-attorney- will try to locate owners of adjoining property to Hwy 10 to request annexation in the Village at Corner of Piney Park and Hwy 10.
- 8. Police Chief monthly report. Not present.
- 9. Fire Chief monthly report. Not present.
- **10.** No comments from the Council.
- **11.** Ken Kelly made a motion for Council to approve expenses for June2021 and comparison of actual expenses to budget. Angela Smith seconded. All in favor.
- **12.** Angela Smith made a motion to adjourn. Ken Kelly seconded. All in favor.

/s/ Mayor Mandy Green

/s/Denise Lee, Clerk