

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF ST. MARTINVILLE, LOUISIANA
HELD ON THE 17th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2018.

The Mayor and City Council of the City of St. Martinville, Louisiana met in Regular Session on the 17th day of December, 2018 at City Hall, their regular meeting place, pursuant to the call of the Mayor.

THERE were present: Melinda Mitchell, Mayor
Mike Fuselier, Councilman
Craig Prosper, Councilman
Dennis Williams, Councilman
Juma Johnson, Councilman
Allan L. Durand, City Attorney

THERE were absent: Edmond Joseph, Councilman

Mayor Melinda Mitchell presiding, called the meeting to order.

Upon motion of Mike Fuselier duly seconded by Craig Prosper and unanimously carried that the minutes of the regular meeting held December 3, 2018 hereby be approved as written and prepared for publication in the Teche News, the Official Journal of the City of St. Martinville.

Upon motion of Mike Fuselier duly seconded by Juma Johnson and unanimously carried that the bills to be paid by the City Finance Committee hereby be approved for payment.

Upon motion of Craig Prosper duly seconded by Mike Fuselier and unanimously carried that the Audit Review presented by Kolder, Slaven & Company be accepted.

Upon motion of Juma Johnson duly seconded by Craig Prosper and unanimously carried that Mayor Mitchell be authorized to enter into contract with Dubroc Engineering, Inc for engineering services from July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019.

Councilman Dennis Williams joined the meeting.

Upon recommendation of Mayor Mitchell, it was moved by Craig Prosper duly seconded by Mike Fuselier and unanimously carried that the proposals received for Water/Wastewater Operations and Maintenance be taken under advisement for review by Dubroc Engineering.

Donnie Bulliard presented information to the Mayor and Council about his plans to form a Promotional Tourism Committee.

Upon request of Luke Romero to add additional space and “kiddie” section at the Skate Park in Magnolia Park, it was moved by Mike Fuselier duly seconded by Dennis Williams and unanimously carried that City Attorney Allan Durand request approval from the State Recreational Department for request of additional space.

Upon request of Purvis Morrison of M&M Associates to enter into contract with the City to help move the City along, it was moved by Mike Fuselier duly seconded by Craig Prosper and unanimously carried to table for further information.

Mr. Joseph Pierre of SMSH requested the City provide and install speed bumps on the driveway on the private road generally referred to as “Nature Trail Road” located along the northern boundary of the SMSH campus. No action was taken at this time because said property does not belong to the City.

Upon request of Kevin Savoy, it was moved by Dennis Williams duly seconded by Mike Fuselier and unanimously carried that 60 days be granted to demolish the dilapidated structure located at 115 S. Vivier Street owned by Mrs. Ana Angelique Narcisse c/o Thomas Savoy.

Upon motion of Craig Prosper duly seconded by Mike Fuselier and unanimously carried that the utility gone list for 2017-2018 in the amount of \$36,677.62 be accepted.

Upon motion of Mike Fuselier duly seconded by Dennis Williams and unanimously carried that January 20-26, 2019 be recognized as School of Choice Week.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS all children in St Martinville should have access to the highest-quality education possible; and,

WHEREAS St Martinville recognizes the important role that an effective education plays in preparing all students in St Martinville to be successful adults; and,

WHEREAS quality education is critically important to the economic vitality of St Martinville; and,

WHEREAS St Martinville is home to a multitude of high quality public and nonpublic schools from which parents can choose for their children, in addition to families who educate their children in the home; and

WHEREAS, educational variety not only helps to diversify our economy, but also enhances the vibrancy of our community; and,

WHEREAS St Martinville has many high-quality teaching professionals in all types of school settings who are committed to educating our children; and,

WHEREAS, School Choice Week is celebrated across the country by millions of students, parents, educators, schools and organizations to raise awareness of the need for effective educational options;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor Melinda Mitchell, do hereby recognize January 20-26, 2019 as St Martinville School Choice Week, and I call this observance to the attention of all of our citizens.

Mayor Melinda Mitchell
City of St. Martinville

Upon motion of Craig Prosper duly seconded by Dennis Williams, with Mike Fuselier opposed, that the approval requested by a few employees for rollover of earned vacation be tabled and handled by administration.

Attorney Allan Durand stated that the letter from Department of Environmental Quality dated October 1, 2018 requesting information on LDEQ-CWSRF Loan has been fully satisfied.

Upon recommendation Mayor Mitchell, it was moved by Craig Prosper duly seconded by Dennis Williams and unanimously carried that the Timothy Sonnier be hired as Master Carpenter with a pay grade of 111.

Upon recommendation Mayor Mitchell, it was moved by Craig Prosper duly seconded by Dennis Williams and unanimously carried that the James Manuel be hired as Water/Wastewater Operator with a pay grade of 112.

Upon motion of Mike Fuselier duly seconded by Dennis Williams and unanimously carried that Mayor Pro-Tem Craig Prosper be hereby authorized to sign the contract with Nolan Champagne as Public Works Subcontractor. Approval was also granted to reimburse Mr. Champagne for mileage submitted thru December 14, 2018.

Upon motion of Mike Fuselier duly seconded by Craig Prosper and unanimously carried that a request be made to Cox Communication to televise City Council meetings.

Councilman Mike Fuselier tabled his request to discuss email communication procedures with City Barn Personnel.

Upon motion of Mike Fuselier duly seconded by Craig Prosper and unanimously carried that each division of the Public Works Department create and maintain a daily work log.

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and City Council, Mayor Melinda Mitchell adjourned the meeting upon motion of Mike Fuselier duly seconded by Craig Prosper.

MELINDA MITCHELL, MAYOR

ATTEST:

LORRIE M POIRIER, SECRETARY