

**MUNICIPAL MINUTES, TOWN OF CHURCH POINT, STATE OF LOUISIANA,
REGULAR MEETING SEPTEMBER 12, 2016**

ATTENDANCE

MAYOR: Russell Stelly

CHIEF OF POLICE: Albert Venable, Sr.

ALDERMEN: Errol Comeaux (Ward 5), Robert Dale Wimberley (Ward 4), Gary Duplechin (Ward 3), Joy Daigle (Ward 2), Gene Malbrough (Ward 1)

ABSENT: *None*

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF: M. Todd Richard (Municipal Clerk),
Brad Andrus (Legal Counsel)

COMMENCEMENT

Call to order.

Mayor Stelly called the Regular Council Meeting to order.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation was led by Councilmember Comeaux. The Pledge of Allegiance was given by Councilmember Wimberley.

Agenda amendment

It was moved by Councilmember Comeaux, seconded by Councilmember Daigle to amend the agenda to include the request for an executive session.

Motion carried and passed unanimously

It was moved by Councilmember Wimberley, seconded by Councilmember Daigle to convene into executive session for purpose of ligation matters.

It was moved by Councilmember Duplechin, seconded by Councilmember Wimberley to reconvene into regular session.

Attorney Brad T. Andrus stated to the public that no decision or actions were made during executive session.

It was moved by Councilmember Wimberley, seconded by Councilmember Duplechin to amend the agenda to resend the council's approval of payment to Church Point High School in the amount of \$ 7,233.83 as per minutes of the May 5, 2016 regular meeting.

Motion carried and passed unanimously

It was moved by Councilmember Wimberley, seconded by Councilmember Duplechin to resend the approval of payment to Church Point High School in the amount of \$ 7,233.88 as per minutes of the May 5, 2016 regular meeting.

Motion carried and passed unanimously

Note: Mayor stated he received all paper work from C.P. High School on matter will check with School Board to confirm.

Reading and approval of the minutes of the previous meeting

It was moved by Councilmember Duplechin, seconded by Councilmember Comeaux to accept the minutes as presented.

Motion carried and passed.

New Business

1. Public Facilities/ Buildings & Grounds

a. Town Engineer- Mader Engineering

Request approval of partial payment estimate No. 5 to Construction Pro., Inc. in the amount of \$ 73,103.66 for Rehabilitation of the Sewerage Collection System.

It was moved by Councilmember Comeaux, seconded by Councilmember Duplechin to approve the Partial Payment of Estimate No. 5 for release of grant payment to Construction Pro., Inc., in the amount of \$ 73,103.66 for Rehabilitation of the Sewerage Collection System.

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Wimberley, Duplechin, Daigle, Malbrough

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried and passed.

2. Municipal Dept. Reports

a. Warrant Officer Dale Thibodeaux Report

The Month of August **25-** Bench Warrants resolved by arrest and or payment of warrants.

3-Warrants resolved by time served. \$ 4,552.00 in cash collected for recovered bench warrants. **3-** Recalled Bench Warrants.

11-Traffic citations issued. **11-**Felony Drug Arrest. **4-** Misdemeanor Drug Arrest.

3-Mid level drug dealers arrested following a undercover sting operation involving the distribution of crack cocaine.

1- Mid level pharmaceutical pills dealer on Breaux Street which will lead to more arrest following further investigation by narcotics unit and D.A. office.

b. Chief Venable made requested for approval of new reservist, Reggie Reed, Tracy Scott Young, and Shawn Dale Daigle.

It was moved by Councilmember Comeaux, seconded by Councilmember Wimberley, upon recommendation by Chief Venable that *Reggie Reed* be accepted as a New Reservist with the Church Point Police reserves.

Motion Carried and Passed Unanimously

It was moved by Councilmember Daigle, seconded by Councilmember Malbrough, upon recommendation by Chief Venable that *Tracy Scott Young* be accepted as a New Reservist with the Church Point Police reserves subject to passing required testing.

Motion Carried and Passed Unanimously

It was moved by Councilmember Daigle, seconded by Councilmember Comeaux upon recommendation by Chief Venable that *Shawn Dale Daigle* be accepted as a New Reservist with the Church Point Police reserves subject to passing required testing.

Motion Carried and Passed Unanimously

3. Legal

Introduction of Ordinances:

Adoption of Ordinances;

The following ordinance was offered by Councilman Malbrough, seconded by Councilmember Wimberley and duly resolved.

ORDINANCE # 091216-A

**AN ORDINANCE REGARDING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES
FOR PLACING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA FOR A REGULAR, MONTHLY TOWN
COUNCIL/BOARD OF ALDERMAN MEETING**

WHEREAS IT IS THE DESIRE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL/BOARD OF ALDERMAN FOR THE TOWN OF CHURCH POINT TO HEREBY ADOPT AND ENACT AN ORDINANCE REGARDING THE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR PLACING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA FOR A REGULAR, MONTHLY TOWN COUNCIL/BOARD OF ALDERMAN MEETING.

BE IT ORDAINED, BY THE TOWN OF CHURCH POINT THAT THE MAYOR, MAYOR PRO TEM OR ANY INDIVIDUAL MEMBER OF THE TOWN COUNCIL/BOARD OF ALDERMAN SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO PLACE ANY ITEMS ON THE AGENDA FOR ANY REGULAR, MONTHLY TOWN COUNCIL/BOARD OF ALDERMAN MEETING.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED THAT ANY ITEMS WHICH THE MAYOR, MAYOR PRO TEM OR ANY MEMBER OF THE TOWN COUNCIL/BOARD OF ALDERMAN CHOOSES TO PLACE ON THE AGENDA SHALL BE DONE BY NOTIFYING CHURCH POINT CITY HALL IN WRITING, AT LEAST 48 HOURS PRIOR TO ANY MONTHLY TOWN COUNCIL/BOARD OF ALDERMAN MEETING COMMENCING. THE NOTICE MUST INDICATE THE EXACT ITEM TO BE PLACED ON THE AGENDA. THE NOTICE TO CITY HALL MAY BE DONE VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL, FACSIMILE OR VIA A WRITTEN OR TYPED NOTE PHYSICALLY DELIVERED TO THE CITY HALL.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED THAT THE MAYOR MUST DIRECT THAT SUCH ITEM BE PLACED ON THE AGENDA FOR THE NEXT REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING AS DEMANDED BY THE MAYOR PRO TEM OR ANY MEMBER OF THE TOWN COUNCIL/BOARD OF ALDERMAN AND THE ITEM MUST NOT BE REMOVED PRIOR TO SUCH REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING COMMENCING UNLESS REQUESTED TO BE REMOVED BY THE PERSON WHO REQUESTED SUCH ITEM TO BE PLACED ONTO THE AGENDA. THE REMOVAL OF THE REQUESTED AGENDA ITEM MUST BE DONE BY NOTIFYING CITY HALL IN WRITING VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL, FACSIMILE OR VIA A WRITTEN OR TYPED NOTE PHYSICALLY DELIVERED TO THE CITY HALL TWENTY (24) HOURS PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE ANTICIPATED REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH *LA R.S. 33:405(C) and (D)(1)*, THIS ORDINANCE IN NO WAY INFRINGES ON OR LIMITS THE MAYORS RIGHT OR STATUTORY AUTHORITY TO SET THE AGENDA FOR A SPECIAL MEETING WHICH HE CALLS OR EMERGENCY MEETING WHICH HE CALLS. ALSO, THIS ORDINANCE IN NO WAY INFRINGES ON OR LIMITS THE BOARD OF ALDERMAN/TOWN COUNCIL'S RIGHT TO CALL A SPECIAL MEETING OR EMERGENCY METING AND SET THE AGENDA.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any provision of this Ordinance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not effect other provisions, items or applications of this Ordinance, which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or application, and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed.

Said Ordinance having been introduced on August 01, 2016, by Alderman Gene Malbrough, notice of public hearing having been held, the title having been read and the Ordinance considered, a vote was taken and the following result was had:

YEAS: Comeaux, Wimberley, Duplechin, Malbrough, Daigle

NAYS:

ABSENT:

SUSTAINED:

Whereon the presiding officer declared the Ordinance duly adopted on this 12th day of September 2016.

The Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days from adoption.

RUSSELL STELLY
MAYOR

ATTEST:

TODD RICHARD
MUNICIPAL CLERK

The following Ordinance was offered by Councilmember Malbrough, seconded by Councilmember Daigle and duly resolved.

ORDINANCE # 091216-B

AN ORDINANCE TO FORMALLY CHANGE THE NAME OF NORTH PARK TO DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. PARK

BE IT ORDAINED that the Town of Church Point hereby desires to formally change the name of North Park to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Park.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that on this 12th day of September 2016, the Church Point Town Council/Board of Alderman hereby adopts and enacts an ordinance to formally change the name of the North Park to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Park.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any provision of this Ordinance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not effect other provisions, items or applications of this Ordinance, which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or application, and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed.

Said Ordinance having been introduced on August 01, 2016, by Alderman Gene Malbrough, notice of public hearing having been held, the title having been read and the Ordinance considered, a vote was taken and the following result was had:

YEAS: Comeaux, Wimberley, Duplechin, Malbrough, Daigle
NAYS:
ABSENT:
SUSTAINED:

Whereon the presiding officer declared the Ordinance duly adopted on this 12th day of September 2016.

The Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days from adoption.

RUSSELL STELLY
MAYOR

ATTEST:

TODD RICHARD
MUNICIPAL CLERK

It was offered by Councilmember Wimberley to Amend Ordinance #080408 to allow Manufactured/Mobile homes that passes inspections & are within the age limit to be deemed rentable property by Land Owners, motion dies due to lack of a second.

A. Resolution request by Lorrie McGee Attorney At Law

The following resolution was offered by Councilmember Duplechin, seconded by Councilmember Wimberley and duly resolved

RESOLUTION No # 091216-A

WHEREAS the Board of Aldermen of The Town Church Point, Louisiana acknowledges and agrees:

WHEREAS that any paving assessment(s) which were or may have been assessed against Lots 9 and/or 10 of Block 2 of the Koury Addition to the Town of Church Point, Louisiana, Acadia Parish Louisiana:

WHEREAS have be either been paid in full, or if not paid in full the collection rights therof are prescribed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Church Point, Louisiana that:

Lots 9 and 10 if Block 2 of the Koury Addition shall be free of the assessments(s) and any lien(s) Created by paving assessments

THEREUPON, the above resolution was declared adopted.

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Wimberley, Duplechin, Daigle,

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Malbrough

ABSENT: None

Resolution carried and passed.

C E R T I F I C A T E

I, Todd Richard, Town Clerk of the Town of Church Point, do hereby certify that the above is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Church Point on September 12, 2016 at which time a quorum was present and voting

B. Resolution request by Richard Minvielle for 2017-18 LGAP CWFEP Programs

The following resolution was offered by Councilmember Comeaux, seconded by Councilmember Duplechin and duly resolved:

RESOLUTION NO. # 091216-B

**A RESOLUTION REQUESTING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
FROM THE STATE OF LOUISIANA
UNDER THE FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018
LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
AND
COMMUNITY WATER ENRICHMENT FUND PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Office of Community Development has announced that applications are being accepted for the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Local Government Assistance Program (LGAP); and

WHEREAS, the Local Government Assistance Program offers grants to eligible municipalities and parishes for a wide range of projects to improve public health, public safety, living conditions and for economic development purposes; and

WHEREAS, in previous years the Louisiana Office of Community Development has also accepted applications for Community Water Enrichment Fund (CWEF) Program; and

WHEREAS, the Community Water Enrichment Fund Program offers grants to eligible municipalities and parishes for rehabilitation, improvements and new construction projects for community potable water systems; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed necessary and proper to submit an application to the Louisiana Office of Community Development under the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Local Government Assistance Program and also should applications be accepted the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Community Water Enrichment Fund Program.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Church Point that Mayor Russell Stelly is hereby authorized to sign and submit an application to the State of Louisiana, Office of Community Development under the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Local Government Assistance Program and also execute any and all documents should this grant be funded; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign and submit an application to the State of Louisiana, Office of Community Development under the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Community Water Enrichment Fund Program if the State accepts such applications and also execute any and all documents should this grant be funded.

THEREUPON, the above resolution was declared adopted.

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Wimberley, Duplechin, Daigle, Malbrough

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None

CERTIFICATE

I, Todd Richard, Town Clerk of the Town of Church Point, do hereby certify that the above is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Church Point on September 12, 2016 at which time a quorum was present and voting.

TODD RICHARD
TOWN CLERK
TOWN OF CHURCH POINT

C. Request by OMP for Beer exemption for OMP Fun Day on Sept. 25, 2016 on School Grounds.

It was moved by Councilmember Daigle, seconded by Councilmember Wimberley to exempt OMP School for a Beer License for OMP Fun Day on Sept. 25, 2016

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Wimberley, Malbrough, Daigle

NAYS:

ABSENT:

SUSTAINED: Duplechin

D. Request for Beer exemption to the group “We all fight Together” for the benefit in behalf of Paige Matte Sonnier to be held on Nov. 5, 2016 @ City Park.

It was moved by Councilmember Daigle, seconded by Councilmember Comeaux to exempt the group “We all fight Together” for the benefit in behalf of Paige Matte Sonnier to be held on Nov. 5, 2016 @ City Park

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Wimberley, Duplechin, Malbrough, Daigle

NAYS:

ABSENT:

SUSTAINED:

Closing:

The Councilmembers and Mayor thanked the public for their attendance.

Adjourn

It was moved by Councilmember Comeaux, seconded by Councilmember Malbrough to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried and passed unanimously

RUSSELL STELLY, MAYOR

ATTEST:

M. TODD RICHARD, MUNICIPAL CLERK