

**MUNICIPAL MINUTES, TOWN OF CHURCH POINT, STATE OF
LOUISIANA, REGULAR MEETING FEBRUARY 6, 2017**

ATTENDANCE

MAYOR: Russell Stelly

CHIEF OF POLICE: Albert Venable

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 Meeting to order.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

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

Reading and approval of the minutes of the previous meeting

It was moved by Councilmember Wimberley, seconded by Councilmember Comeaux, to accept the minutes as provided.

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Wimberley, Duplechin, Daigle, Malbrough.

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

Motion approved unanimously.

Old Business

None

New Business

1. Financial Report:

a. CPA Financial End of Year Report ending 9-30-16 by Mr. Burton Kolder

It was moved by Councilmember Duplechin, second by Councilmember Wimberley to accept and approve the Financial End of Year Report as presented by Mr. Burton Kolder CPA for the Town of Church Point.

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Wimberley, Duplechin, Daigle, Malbrough.

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

Motion approved unanimously.

2. Engineering Report: Mader Engineering

a. Request approval of Partial Payment Estimate No. 7 to Construction Pro. Inc. in the amount of \$ 14, 447.40 for “Rehabilitation of the Sewerage Collection System”

It was moved by Councilmember Duplechin, second by Councilmember Comeaux to approve the partial payment estimate No.7 to Construction Pro. Inc. in the amount of \$14, 447.40 for “Rehabilitation of the Sewerage Collection System”

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Wimberley, Duplechin, Daigle, Malbrough.

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

Motion approved unanimously.

3. Municipal Department Reports:

a. Warrant Officer Dale Thibodeaux Month & Year ending report. Noise Ord. Meter training update

Statistics for the Warrant/ Narcotics Division for the Month of December 2016 were as follows:

27- Bench Warrants resolved by arrest or payment of warrant.

\$ 6,449.00 collected for recovered bench warrants. 3-Bench Warrants recalled.

7- Traffic Citations issued, 11- Drug Cases completed.

Attended and completed 5 day training with Lafayette Sheriff’s Dept. Training Division for Controlled Force Instructor. Certification received as instructor on active shooter situations. Certification in weapon retention/ground fighting/arrest techniques and other defensive combat arrest moves when arresting suspects. Certification as instructor on federal and international level through this training.

Request by Mayor Stelly to amend the Gen. Fund budget in the amount of \$11,705.00 for purchase of a 2010 Ford Explorer as warrant officer vehicle

It was moved by Councilmember Comeaux, seconded by Councilmember Malbrough to amend the Gen. Fund budget to reflect an expenditure of \$11,705.00, for the purchase of a 2010 Ford Explorer as a Warrant Officer Vehicle.

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Wimberley, Duplechin, Daigle, Malbrough.

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

Motion approved.

4. Legal

Introduction of Ordinances:

a. Proposed Ordinance for Speed Limit Increase on Leonie Street from 15 to 25 mph.

Proposed Ordinance dies due to a lack of a motion.

(Speed limit on Leonie will stay as current posting of 15mph)

b. Proposed Ordinance Adopting RS 33:4761 Et Sq Regarding the Removal of Dangerous Structures and Ordinance Defining and regulating Public Nuisances in the Town of Church Point that Repealed Section 11:34-42 Codes of Ordinances in conjunction with and to the Property Maintenance Codes.

It was requested by Gen. Counsel to amend the agenda to remove language from presented ordinance (Removal of Dangerous Structures) and adopt language of the revised heading as written.

It was moved by Councilmember Malbrough, seconded by Councilmember Daigle, to amend the agenda to approve content changes of the Ordinance Heading as written.

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Wimberley, Duplechin, Daigle, Malbrough.

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

Motion approved.

Ordinance # 020617

**AN ORDINANCE DEFINING
AND REGULATING PUBLIC NUISANCE'S WITHIN THE
CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF CHURCH POINT AND
REPEALING SECTION 11.34-11.42 OF THE TOWN OF CHURCH
POINT'S CODE OF ORDINANCES**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND THE BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE TOWN OF THE TOWN OF CHURCH POINT, in regular session, on the 6th,Day of February, 2017, that the following ordinance was introduced by Councilmember Wimberley, duly seconded by Councilmember Comeaux, and duly ordained and adopted .

PURPOSE AND INTENT

THE MAYOR AND THE CHURCH POINT TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY MAKES IT KNOWN THAT IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF ALL CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF CHURCH POINT TO DISPOSE OF THEIR OWN JUNKED ITEM OR ITEMS AND JUNKED VEHICLES.

THE TOWN OF CHURCH POINT WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR DISPOSING OF ANY JUNKED ITEMS AS DEFINED IN THE DEFINITIONS SECTION THAT FOLLOWS OF SUCH OR JUNKED VEHICLES AS DEFINED IN THE DEFINITIONS SECTION THAT FOLLOWS.

THE TOWN OF CHURCH POINT HEREBY GIVE FORMAL NOTICE THAT ALL PROPERTIES LOCATED WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF CHURCH POINT MUST BE MAINTAINED IN A SAFE AND SANITARY CONDITION

Said Ordinance having been introduced, 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:

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Wimberley, Duplechin, Daigle, Malbrough.

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

Ordinance Adopted

*see attachment of Original

Ordinance in Minutes*

c. Introduction of an Ordinance for No Parking on certain streets for Mardi Gras, Sunday Feb. 26, 2017

It was moved by Councilmember Duplechin, seconded by Councilmember Malbrough to introduce of An Ordinance for No Parking on Main Street and other streets, with times to be determined.

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Wimberley, Duplechin, Daigle, Malbrough.

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

Motion Approved

The Mayor Called for a Public Hearing to be set on February 15, 2017 at 6:15 p.m. concerning the No Parking Ordinance. Special Meeting to follow at 6:30 p.m.

d. Resolution granting authority to the Mayor to execute all documents pertaining to Capital Outlay Program for Sewer System Improvements.

The following resolution was offered by Councilmember Comeaux, seconded by Councilmember Duplechin and unanimously carried:

RESOLUTION #020617

**A RESOLUTION GRANTING THE AUTHORITY TO THE MAYOR
TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS PERTAINING TO
THE CAPITAL OUTLAY PROGRAM
FOR SEWER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS**

WHEREAS, the Town of Church Point deemed it necessary and proper to submit a grant application under the State's Capital Outlay Program by the deadline of November 1, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Legislature approved Act 16 (House Bill 2), the Capital Outlay Budget in 2016 which included the Church Point Sewer System Improvements, Planning & Construction with a Capital Outlay grant amount of \$300,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Town deems it necessary and proper to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the State of Louisiana for this Capital Outlay grant program; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Alderman of Town of Church Point that the Mayor of the Town of Church Point is hereby authorized to execute the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Louisiana Division of Administration, any amendments or extensions thereof, all necessary reports, studies, plans, certifications, assurances, contracts, change orders, requests for disbursement, requests for concurrence, requests for information and any other documents required in connection with this Sewer System Improvements, Planning & Construction project with a Capital Outlay grant amount of \$300,000.00 (Project No. 50-M45-16-01).

THEREUPON, the above resolution was duly adopted.

C E R T I F I C A T E

I, M. Todd Richard, Municipal 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 Alderman of the Town of Church Point on February 6, 2017, at which time a quorum was present and voting.

M. TODD RICHARD
MUNICIPAL CLERK
TOWN OF CHURCH POINT

e. Resolution for UTV and Golf Cart designated crossings within the Corporate Limits of the Town of Church Point.

Tabled until Congressman DeVillier reports back with results of legislation.

f. Introduction of Ordinance Adoption Louisiana Revised Statutes 33:4761 Et. Seq. Regarding the Removal of Dangerous Structures within the Corporate Limits of the Town of Church Point.

Introduced by Councilmember Daigle, seconded by Councilmember Malbrough

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Wimberley, Duplechin, Daigle, Malbrough.

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

Introduction of Ordinance Approved

Mayor Stelly Called for a Public Hearing to be set on February 15, 2017 at 6:25 p.m. Concerning the Removal of Dangerous Structures Ordinance. Special Meeting to follow at 6:30 p.m.

g. Introduction of the Open Container Law

The Open Container Law will be enforced and not be lifted for Mardi Gras

Closing:

Comments from the Chief of Police, Staff and Councilmen:

The Chief & Councilmembers thanked the public.

Adjournment

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

Motion approved.

RUSSELL STELLY, MAYOR

ATTEST:

M. TODD RICHARD, MUNICIPAL CLERK