

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE MAYOR AND THE NEW IBERIA CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW IBERIA, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2017.**

The Mayor and City Council of the City of New Iberia, State of Louisiana, met in public session at City Hall, 457 East Main Street, New Iberia, Louisiana, on Tuesday, November 7, 2017, at Five-Thirty (5:30) p.m. Louisiana time (Central Standard Time). Ms. Deidre Ledbetter led the prayer and pledge. There were present the Mayor and members of the New Iberia City Council, Dan Doerle, Natalie Lopez, Marlon Lewis, David Broussard, Deidre Ledbetter, Sherry Guidry, and Dustin Suire. Also, present Maxine Gonsoulin, City Clerk.

The City Council of the City of New Iberia, State of Louisiana, were duly convened as the governing authority of the City of New Iberia, State of Louisiana, by the Honorable Mayor Freddie DeCourt, who then stated that the Governing Authority was ready for the transaction of business.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: PUBLIC COMMENTS**

NONE

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES**

a. Motion by Mr. Dustin Suire, and seconded by Mr. Marlon Lewis, to accept the minutes of the October 17, 2017, meeting as published on October 27, 2017,

YEAS: Dan Doerle, Natalie Lopez, Marlon Lewis, David Broussard, Deidre Ledbetter, and Dustin Suire.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Sherry Guidry

ABSTAINED: None

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL**

None.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE:**

Introduction of ordinances to be set for public hearing November 21, 2017:

a) An introduction of BUDGET AMENDMENT ORDINANCE NO. 2017-2018-01, amending the ordinance levying certain taxes, appropriating the funds necessary to defray the expenses and liabilities of the City of New Iberia for the year 2017-2018 (to transfer funding from FY 2017-2018 to amend budget for salary for police chief, assistant chief, major and secretary, for transfer of funds for police administration salary until sales tax receipts, and to budget the costs for a storage unit for records and archives)

Motion by Mr. Dustin Suire, and seconded by Ms. Deidre Ledbetter

YEAS: Dan Doerle, Natalie Lopez, Marlon Lewis, David Broussard, Deidre Ledbetter, Sherry Guidry, and Dustin Suire.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

b) An ordinance providing for the levy within the City of New Iberia, State of Louisiana, effective January 1, 2018, of a one-half percent (½%) sales and use tax (the "Tax") upon the sale at retail, the use, the lease or rental, the consumption, and the storage for use or consumption, of tangible personal property and upon the sale of services in said City and for the assessment, collection payment thereof and the dedication of the proceeds of said Tax and the purpose for which the proceeds of the Tax may be expended, said Tax having been authorized at a special election held in the City on October 14, 2017.

Motion by Mr. Dustin Suire, and seconded by Mr. Marlon Lewis,

YEAS: Dan Doerle, Natalie Lopez, Marlon Lewis, David Broussard, Deidre Ledbetter, Sherry Guidry, and Dustin Suire.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: PUBLIC HEARING:**

Public hearing on Introduction of Ordinance No. 2017-14, (erroneously referred to as Ordinance No. 2017-12 on the agenda and publication) which notice was published on October 27, 2017;

Motion to Open Hearing: Ms. Deidre Ledbetter, seconded by Mr. Dan Doerle

Public Comment: None

Motion to Close Hearing: Ms. Sherry Guidry, seconded by Ms. Natalie Lopez

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: ORDINANCES**

a) Ordinance No. 2017-14 authorizing the City of New Iberia to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement for Non-Emergency Mutual Aid and Assistance with Iberia Parish Government;

Motion by Ms. Deidre Ledbetter, and seconded by Mr. Marlon Lewis,

YEAS: Dan Doerle, Natalie Lopez, Marlon Lewis, David Broussard, Deidre Ledbetter, Sherry Guidry, and Dustin Suire.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: RESOLUTIONS:**

a) Resolution providing for canvassing the returns and declaring the result of the special election held in the City of New Iberia, State of Louisiana, on Saturday, October 14, 2017, to authorize the levy of a sales and use tax therein.

Motion by Mr. Marlon Lewis, and seconded by Ms. Sherry Guidry,

YEAS: Dan Doerle, Natalie Lopez, Marlon Lewis, David Broussard, Deidre Ledbetter, Sherry Guidry, and Dustin Suire.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

b) Resolution supporting the federal Historic Tax Credit program and urging the President of the United States, and the United States Congress to continue the federal Historic Tax Credit program.

Motion by Ms. Deidre Ledbetter, and seconded by Mr. Dan Doerle,

YEAS: Dan Doerle, Natalie Lopez, Marlon Lewis, David Broussard, Deidre Ledbetter, Sherry Guidry, and Dustin Suire.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

c) Resolution accepting and approving bids for the purchase of sewerage pumps.

Motion by Ms. Ledbetter, and seconded by Mr. Dan Doerle,

YEAS: Dan Doerle, Natalie Lopez, Marlon Lewis, David Broussard, Deidre Ledbetter, Sherry Guidry, and Dustin Suire.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

d) A resolution giving preliminary approval to the issuance of not to exceed Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) of Sales Tax Revenue Bonds of the City of New Iberia, State of Louisiana; providing certain terms of said Bonds; making application to the State Bond Commission for the approval of said Bonds; employing professionals in connection with said Bonds; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

Motion by Ms. Sherry Guidry, and seconded by Ms. Deidre Ledbetter,

YEAS: Dan Doerle, Natalie Lopez, Marlon Lewis, David Broussard, Deidre Ledbetter, Sherry Guidry, and Dustin Suire.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: RECOMMENDATIONS FROM PLANNING AND ZONING:**

a) A recommendation for Preliminary Re-Subdivision Approval to divide property located at 1700 E. Main Street into Tracts 1-4.

Motion by Ms. Sherry Guidry, and seconded by Mr. Dan Doerle,

YEAS: Dan Doerle, Natalie Lopez, Marlon Lewis, David Broussard, Deidre Ledbetter, Sherry Guidry, and Dustin Suire.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

b) A recommendation of approval for a parking variance of 89 parking spaces from the required 559 to 470 spaces for the (Proposed Redevelopment of the Former Kmart Site) 900 East Admiral Doyle Drive – New Iberia.

Motion by Ms. Sherry Guidry, and seconded by Mr. David Broussard,

YEAS: Dan Doerle, Natalie Lopez, Marlon Lewis, David Broussard, Deidre Ledbetter, Sherry Guidry, and Dustin Suire.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 9: ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

a) Update on establishing the New Iberia City Police Department by Freddie DeCourt, Mayor.

b) Motion to expand Agenda by Ms. Sherry Guidry, and seconded by Ms. Natalie Lopez, to allow Ms. Guidry to discuss the P3 app used to submit secure and anonymous tips to Crime Stoppers;

YEAS: Dan Doerle, Natalie Lopez, Marlon Lewis, David Broussard, Deidre Ledbetter, Sherry Guidry, and Dustin Suire.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 10: COUNCIL REMARKS**

a. Council members mentioned concerns relative to their respective districts to be placed on a later agenda.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 11: ANNOUNCEMENTS**

a. The next city council meeting will be held on November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017.

b. The **City of New Iberia currently has adjudicated properties available for sale at CivicSource.com**. To initiate the auction process on one or more properties, the investor must place a deposit of \$850 on each property, which starts the prerequisite legal research and notification process that is required before the auction takes place. The pre-sale process takes approximately 120 days to complete. If the current property owner pays all delinquent taxes and fees during the pre-sale period, the depositor is refunded the deposit and the sale is halted. Visit CivicSource.com to learn more.

c) A public hearing will be held on Budget Amendment Ordinance 2017-2018-01 on Tuesday, November 21, 2017, at 5:30 p.m., at New Iberia City Hall, Council Chambers, 457 East Main Street, Suite 300, New Iberia, LA.

d) A public hearing will be held on the levying of ½ center sales tax on Tuesday, November 21, 2017, at 5:30 p.m., at New Iberia City Hall, Council Chambers, 457 East Main Street, Suite 300, New Iberia, LA.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 12: ADJOURN**

Motion by Ms. Guidry, seconded By Ms. Ledbetter, and unanimously carried to adjourn the November 7, 2017, meeting of the New Iberia City Council.

YEAS: Dan Doerle, Natalie Lopez, Marlon Lewis, David Broussard, Sherry Guidry, Deidre Ledbetter, and Dustin Suire.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

THE ABOVE IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NEW IBERIA CITY COUNCIL HELD ON NOVEMBER 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

/s/ Maxine Gonsoulin

Maxine Gonsoulin, City Clerk

City of New Iberia, Louisiana.