REGULAR MEETING

May 14, 2024

The Regular Meeting of the Jennings City Council was convened on the 14th day of May, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. in the Jennings City Council Chambers, 154 N. Main Street, Jennings, Louisiana with President Stephen VanHook and a quorum present.

Jennings City Council Members present: Carolyn Simon, District A; Johnny Armentor, District B; Clifton LeJeune, District C; Anthony LeBlanc, District D; Stephen VanHook, District E

The Prayer was led by Mr. LeJeune and Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Armentor.

Jennings City Council Members Absent: None

It was moved by Mr. Armentor, seconded by Mr. LeJeune and carried by unanimous yeas of voice vote of those in attendance to **APPROVE** the Minutes of the April 9, 2024 Regular Meeting.

It was moved by Ms. Simon, seconded by Mr. LeBlanc and carried by unanimous yeas of voice vote of those in attendance to **APPROVE** the Minutes of the April 16, 2024 Special Meeting.

It was motioned by Mr. LeJeune and seconded by Ms. Simon to authorize the mayor to accept the lowest responsible bidder for Chlorine Gas for fiscal year 2024-2025. Bids were opened on May 13, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. Mayor Guinn stated this product is purchased throughout the fiscal year and the aggregate amount exceeds the bid law threshold requiring it to be publicly bid. The only bidder was *Hawkins, Inc.*, of Sulphur. The bid amount was an increase of 21 cents per pound from last year. The bid amount was \$1.8208/pound with a fuel charge of \$29.50 per delivery, a \$4.50 per delivery handling fee, and \$7.50 rental per cylinder. Mayor Guinn recommended accepting the low bid. After a few questions and comments, it was carried by unanimous yeas of voice vote of those in attendance to authorize the mayor to **ACCEPT** the lowest responsible bidder for Chlorine Gas for FY 2024-25.

It was motioned by Mr. LeJeune and seconded by Ms. Simon to authorize the mayor to accept the lowest responsible bidder for #610 and #57 Grey Limestone for FY 2024-25. Bids were opened on May 13, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. *Rock Solid Materials, LLC* had the low bid for #610 Grey Limestone and #57 Grey Limestone to be **picked up** at \$45.25 and \$47.25 per ton respectively. *Rock Solid Materials, LLC* had the low bid for #610 and #57 Grey Limestone to be **delivered** at \$49.75 and \$51.75 respectively. Mayor Guinn recommended accepting the low bids. After a few questions and comments, it was carried by unanimous yeas of voice vote of those in attendance to authorize the mayor to **ACCEPT** the lowest responsible bidders for #610 and #57 Grey Limestone for FY 2024-25.

It was motioned by Ms. Simon and seconded by Mr. LeBlanc to authorize the mayor to accept the lowest responsible bidder for Hot Mix (AC-30) Asphalt for FY 2024-25. Bids were to be opened on May 13, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. Mayor Guinn explained that no bids were received. Therefore, no action was taken.

It was motioned by Mr. LeJeune and seconded by Mr. LeBlanc to authorize the mayor to purchase land for Fire Station No. 2. Mayor Henry Guinn stated that Fire Station No. 2 was damaged by the hurricanes. Mayor Guinn explained Fire Station No. 2 is on land that belongs to the Jefferson Davis Parish Police Jury, and the lease will expire in approximately six years. Several sites have been analyzed, including the Janine Coleman property, which could be purchased by the City at appraised value. After a few questions and comments, it was carried by unanimous yeas of

voice vote of those in attendance to authorize the mayor to **PURCHASE** land for Fire Station No. 2.

The council unanimously voted to add to the agenda the request of Ray Touchet to discuss adding back an agenda meeting. Mr. Armentor motioned to add an agenda meeting. No second was obtained, therefore the motion **FAILED**.

Resolution No. <u>1805C</u> is **ON HOLD.**

With no further business on the agenda, it was moved by Mr. LeJeune, seconded by Mr. LeBlanc, and carried by unanimous yeas of voice vote of those in attendance to ADJOURN this Regular Meeting on May 14, 2024 of the Jennings City Council at 6:10 p.m.

ATTEST:	
/s/Chad Crochet	
Chad Crochet, Secretary	Stephen VanHook, President
Jennings City Council	Jennings City Council