

TOWN OF MADISONVILLE

REGULAR MEETING

FEBUARY 10, 2010

Mayor Gitz called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. C.S.T.

On roll call the following answered present: Mayor Gitz, Councilmen: Badeaux, Bouey, Bounds, Lange and Ostendorf. Absent: None

A motion was made by Councilman Badeaux and seconded by Councilman Lange approving the January 13, 2010 minutes as written. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilman Bounds and seconded by Councilman Bouey approving the December 2009 Financial Statement. The motion carried unanimously.

Comments were solicited from those in attendance. No one responded.

Joe Harman, PEC, reported that the final bid documents for the Pine St. improvement project were being prepared and would offer a base bid for the Pine Street work plus three (3) alternates for work on St. Mary Street, St. Tammany Street and the corner of Main and St. Paul streets. Mr. Harman also reported that the results of the geo-technical testing on the Bulkhead Project were being evaluated and would be available for the next meeting.

Mr. Bob Maurice, representing the Theosophical Society spoke, requesting approval of the use of the Community Center for a meeting of the society to promote recycling. The Town's attorney, Mr Willim King, requested a copy of the Society's charter for review. Mr. Maurice agreed to do so.

Ms Susan Kier Dyer inquired as to the Town's plans for future use of the unimproved section of Rampart Street adjacent to her property and why the Town had the right of way surveyed. Mayor Gitz explained that the Town did not have any immediate plans for that section and had it surveyed in order to accurately establish the right of way limits.

Final approval of proposed Ordinance # 111 relative to changes to "Permitted Uses" in some of the Zoning Districts in Chapter 10, Article A of the Code of Ordinances, more specifically Section 10.12 C, Section 10.13 C-1 and Section 10.14 C-2 was brought before the Council. A motion was made by Councilman Badeaux and seconded by Councilman Lange to approved adoption of Ordinance #111 with the vote as follows:

YEAS:	Badeaux, Bouey, Bounds, Lange, Ostendorf
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	None

A discussion of a previously proposed ordinance to include “Conditional Uses” in the Zoning Districts resulted in the suggestion by the acting Town Clerk, Steve Benton, that the Council submit the proposal for re-consideration to the Planning and Zoning Commission at its’ next scheduled meeting. A new public notice will have to be published prior to that meeting. The Mayor and Council agreed with the suggestion.

Mayor Gitz brought up for discussion modifications to the deposits policy for the Town’s utility bills and for charging a fee to re-read gas meters (unless there is a mistake in the original reading) just because the usage is high, notwithstanding cold weather, leaks past the meter, etc. The Mayor suggested that Council members review the proposed changes for possible action at the next Council meeting.

Old Business: There has been no progress on the matter of a dry fire hydrant on Mabel Drive.

New Business: Mr. David Stefferud announced that there will be a public meeting at the Maritime Museum on March 3, 2010 at 6:30 PM to review and discuss the plans for the new library. The architects and members of the Library Board will be in attendance. The public and members of the Town Council were urged to attend.

A motion was made by Councilman Bounds and seconded by Councilman Bouey to pay all approved bills. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilman Badeaux and seconded by Councilman Ostendorf to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Cynthia C. Phelps
Town Clerk