

TOWN OF MADISONVILLE
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 9, 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 and Lange. Absent: Councilman Ostendorf

Motion by Councilman Lange, seconded by Councilman Bounds approving the July 2010 Council Minutes as written. The motion carried unanimously, with one absent.

Financial Statements for the month of July 2010 were not available for consideration.

The Mayor solicited comments from those in attendance. Ms. Susan Kierr voiced her concern that the fire hydrant at the corner of Pine St. and St. Paul St. has been in a state of disrepair for some time and was not operable. Mayor Gitz advised that work was scheduled for the following week to replace the hydrant.

Joe Harman, PEC, stated that there was still some work remaining on the Pine Street project. The contractor has not requested a final payment on the project. Mr. Harman also stated that the plans for the bulkhead project at the end of Lake Road should be ready near the end of August or early September. The plans will be submitted to the State Office of Facility Planning for approval and reimbursement of the engineering expenses. Submission will then be presented for state capital outlay funding.

Chief Mike Stein, representing Fire District 2, spoke to the Council requesting permission to have a "Boot Shake" at the intersection of Highway 22 and Highway 1077 on Labor Day weekend and each weekend in October to solicit contributions to help fight breast cancer. Motion by Councilman Bouey, seconded by Councilman Badeaux approving the activities by the firemen on Labor Day and each weekend in October. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 08-01-10 was presented to the Council authorizing Mayor Gitz to sign the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for the audit year ending June 30, 2010. Motion by Councilman Bouey, seconded by Councilman Badeaux authorizing the Mayor to sign the questionnaire. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 08-01-10

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council of the Town of Madisonville approved and authorized Mayor Peter L. Gitz to sign the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for the audit year ending June 30, 2010.

In the absence of Mr. Skipper Rinauldi, Mayor Gitz requested permission from the Council for the KidSense Playground to hold a fundraiser on the Riverfront on October 2, 2010. Motion by Councilman Bounds, seconded by Councilman Badeaux to approve the use of the Riverfront on October 2, 2010 for the fundraiser. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms Tanya Leader, representing the St. Tammany Parish Tourist Commission, requested permission to use the Riverfront on November 14, 2010, in conjunction with the Louisiana Environmental Action Network, for a concert by Mr. Danny O'Flaherty, as well as boat races on the River, to help raise money for victims of the BP oil spill. Ms Leader also stated that the event would also honor Margaret Haughery known as the "Angel of the Delta" (1813-1882) for her work with orphans. Ms. Haughery was an orphan herself and was revered by the Irish people as well as people worldwide for her work. Motion by Councilman Badeaux, seconded by Councilman Bouey to approve use of the Riverfront on November 14, 2010 for the event contingent upon the sponsors having 501-C3 status. The motion carried unanimously.

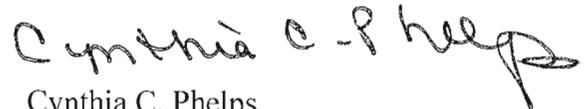
The Mayor opened for discussion with the Council the utility rates for water and sewer service to approximately three hundred homes in the St. Tammany Parish portion of the Villages of Bocage Subdivision west of Town. The water will be furnished to the Town by the Tangipahoa Water District through a "Master Meter" at their established rates. The Town will in turn furnish water to the homeowners at the same rate the Tangipahoa Parish Water District is charging home owners on the Tangipahoa Parish side of the subdivision. All of the water and sewer system was installed and paid for by the developer. The sewer system is all gravity feed with no lift stations to maintain. The Town will pay \$32.25 per month per household to the Tangipahoa Sewer District for treatment of the sewer effluent. In turn, the Town will charge each homeowner \$44.25 per month with the additional \$12.00 going toward maintenance of the system. The Town will also furnish natural gas to the entire subdivision at the same rate charged to all other natural gas customers. Motion by Councilman Badeaux, seconded by Councilman Bounds to approve the utility rate structure for the Villages of Bocage Subdivision. The motion carried unanimously. An ordinance spelling out the rate schedule will be prepared for consideration at the next council meeting.

Old Business: Mr. Kyle Catalano, representing the Tchefuncte River Foundation, resumed his discussion from the June 2010 council meeting concerning work along the east side of the Tchefuncte River to replenish the sand bar and extend it out in to the lake. He mentioned a meeting he had with the Corps of Engineers to discuss the project. He stated that the Corps will provide the permits and \$100,000 toward the project. Mr. Catalano also discussed removal of abandoned boats along the river and possible assistance from the Corps. Another meeting with the Corps is set for the latter part of August and the Town will be notified of the time and place so that they can have representation. No further action was taken on the matter.

Councilman Bounds brought up the yellow truck on the west end of Morgan Street. The yard has been cleaned up, but the truck is still in place. No further action was taken on the matter.

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

A motion was made by Councilman Lange and seconded by Councilman Badeaux to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cynthia C. Phelps". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "C".

Cynthia C. Phelps
Town Clerk