

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
CITY OF MORGAN CITY
MARCH 26, 2019

The Mayor and City Council of Morgan City, Louisiana, met at 6:00 pm (local time) in regular session, this date, in the City Court Building, Highway 182 East, Morgan City, Louisiana.

There were present: Honorable Frank P. Grizzaffi, III Mayor; and Council Members Ron Bias, Steve Domangue, Tim Hymel, Mark Stephens and Louis J. Tamporello, Jr.

Absent: None

Also present were Mr. Marcus Folse, Chief Administrative Officer and Mr. Paul Landry, City Attorney.

The invocation was given by Reverend Terry Bunner.

There was no Positive Image recipient for the month of March.

The minutes of the February 26, 2019 meeting were submitted. There being no corrections, additions, or deletions, a motion to approve the minutes was made by Pastor Bias, seconded by Mr. Tamporello, and voted unanimously in favor.

Mrs. Deborah Garber, Finance Director, submitted the following financial statement for the period ending February 28, 2019.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DATE: March 26, 2019
TO: Mayor and Council
FROM: Deborah Garber
RE: Comments related to summary of revenues and expenses compared to budget for the period ended February 28, 2019.

Attached is a summary that compares our actual revenues and expenses to our operational budget for our major funds subject to budgetary control for the period ending February 28, 2019. The following comments are related thereto:

General and Ancillary Funds: Actual total revenues remain over budget by \$84,400. Operating expenses are below budget by \$65,900. The net loss, after transfers, of \$214,400 is a favorable variance of \$150,300 compared to the budget.

Utility Fund: Actual revenues are slightly under budget by \$116,200, with operational expenses also under budget by \$412,800. The net income, after transfers, of \$336,600 creates a favorable variance of \$298,000.

Sanitation and Sewer Fund: The operating revenues are \$11,400 under budget, with total operating expenses also under budget by \$17,000. The net income, after transfers, of \$99,500 leaves another favorable variance of \$5,600.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Deborah Garber
Deborah Garber
Finance Director

CITY OF MORGAN CITY
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT
Actual Revenues and Expenses Compared to Budget
Period Ended February 28, 2019

| | FEBRUARY 2019 | FEBRUARY 2019 | |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| GENERAL AND ANCILLARY FUNDS | ACTUAL | BUDGET | VARIANCE |
| REVENUES | | | |
| General Fund | 1,074,057 | 995,093 | 78,964 |
| Recreation Fund | 12,742 | 14,008 | (1,266) |
| Library Fund | 2,523 | 2,168 | 355 |
| Auditorium Fund | 13,617 | 13,025 | 592 |
| Lake End Park Fund | 102,178 | 96,380 | 5,798 |
| Total Revenues | 1,205,117 | 1,120,675 | 84,442 |
| EXPENSES-OPERATIONAL | | | |
| General Fund | 1,718,885 | 1,721,656 | (2,771) |
| Recreation Fund | 41,935 | 53,162 | (11,227) |
| Library Fund | 18,516 | 26,165 | (7,649) |
| Auditorium Fund | 75,060 | 86,594 | (11,534) |
| Lake End Park Fund | 123,407 | 156,123 | (32,716) |
| Total Expenses | 1,977,803 | 2,043,700 | (65,897) |
| TRANSFERS | | | |
| Transfers from Funds | 608,334 | 608,334 | 0 |
| Transfers to Funds | (50,000) | (50,000) | 0 |
| Net Transfers | 558,334 | 558,334 | 0 |
| EXCESS NET OF TRANSFERS | (214,352) | (364,691) | 150,339 |
| UTILITY FUND | | | |
| Total | | | |
| Revenues | 3,541,894 | 3,658,112 | (116,218) |
| Total Expenditures | 2,648,871 | 3,061,721 | (412,850) |
| Net | | | |
| Excess | 893,023 | 596,391 | 296,632 |
| Net Transfers and non-oper. | (556,461) | (557,848) | 1,387 |
| Excess net of transfers | 336,562 | 38,543 | 298,019 |
| SANITATION AND SEWER FUND | | | |
| Total | | | |
| Revenues | 503,444 | 514,817 | (11,373) |
| Total | | | |
| Expenses | 515,150 | 532,146 | (16,996) |
| Net | | | |
| Excess | (11,706) | (17,329) | 5,623 |
| Net Transfers/non-operating expenses | 111,257 | 111,200 | 57 |
| Excess net of transfers and non-operating | 99,551 | 93,871 | 5,680 |

A motion to accept the financial statement was made by Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Hymel, and voted unanimously in favor.

The next matter on the agenda was the Bike Morgan City Project Plan. Eric Matte with T. Baker Smith presented a brief presentation on the proposed Bike Path. Mayor Grizzaffi stated that the City was awarded a grant for the bike trail. Mrs. Catherine Holcomb said that eventually the entire city would be connected by a bike route with safe walking and bicycling paths marked with effective signage. She said three new grants could be

submitted, one by the City, one by the Levee District and one by the Cajun Coast. She advised that a resolution needed to be passed in order to submit the grants; whereupon,

Pastor Bias offered the following Resolution, who moved for its adoption.

RESOLUTION NO. R: 19-10

WHEREAS, the US Federal Government provides funds to the State of Louisiana for grants to state, local and non-profit organizations to acquire, develop and/or maintain motorized and non-motorized trails; and

WHEREAS, the FRTPL has been delegated the responsibility for the administration of the program within the state and setting up necessary procedures governing project application under the program; and

WHEREAS, said procedures require the applicant to certify by resolution the approval of the application before the submission of said application;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Morgan City does hereby:

1. Approve the filing of these three applications with FRTPL; and
2. Certify that the said applicant has or will have available prior to commencement of any work on the project included in this application, sufficient funds to build (including 20% local match), operate and maintain the project; and
3. Appoint the Mayor Frank P. Grizzaffi, III as agent of the City of Morgan City to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents, including, but not limited to application, letter of commitment agreement, amendments, payment requests and completion report, which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned project.

Mr. Stephens seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Bias, Stephens, Domangue, Hymel, Tamporello
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 26th day of March, 2019.

Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Mayor

ATTEST:

Debbie Harrington
Clerk

Mayor Grizzaffi advised the Council that a meeting had been set up with the Lt. Governor and Carrie Stansbury to explore the possibility of a public/private partnership to put a restaurant at Lake End Park and he would keep them updated on that.

In the matter of the Roadway Repairs and Improvements, phase 10 project, a motion to bring the topic back up was made by Mr. Tamporello, seconded by Mr. Hymel and voted unanimously in favor.

Mayor Grizzaffi stated that at the February meeting there were questions about the apparent low bidder and they had since determined that the bid did not meet all of the legal requirements. He stated the second lowest bidder was slightly above the low bidder and met all bidding requirements, whereupon,

Mr. Hymel offered the following Resolution, who moved for its adoption.

RESOLUTION NO. R: 19-11

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council, the governing authority of the City of Morgan City, that the bid of Frisco Industrial Contractors, LLC for furnishing all materials, equipment, etc., for the Roadway Repairs & Improvements, Phase 10 project in the amount of SIX HUNDRED NINETY TWO THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED THIRTY THREE DOLLARS AND EIGHTY CENTS (\$692,433.80) being the least and most responsible bid received, be and the same is hereby accepted and awarded to Frisco Industrial Contractors, LLC.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, etc., that the Mayor, be and he is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to execute a contract with said Frisco Industrial Contractors, LLC for and on behalf of and in the name of said Municipal Corporation, for furnishing all materials, and equipment for the Roadway Repairs & Improvements, Phase 10 Project, Morgan City, Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, etc., that the contract shall be filed with the Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio Recorder of Mortgages for the Parish of St. Mary, State of Louisiana, for recordation in the mortgage records of said parish, hereby ratifying and confirming his act or acts in the premises.

Mr. Tamporello seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Hymel, Tamporello, Bias, Domangue, Stephens
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 26th day of March, 2019.

Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Mayor

ATTEST:

Debbie Harrington
Clerk

In the matter of the St. Mary Parish tipping fee cooperative endeavor agreement, Mayor Grizzaffi stated that the Parish had found a way to help municipalities with the cleanup of blighted properties by exempting any tipping fees for the torn down house materials (copy on file), whereupon,

Mr. Tamporello offered the following Resolution, who moved for its adoption.

RESOLUTION NO. R: 19-12

WHEREAS, the St. Mary Parish Harold J. "Babe" Landry Landfill and the St. Mary Parish West End Pick-up station are used for the benefit of the incorporated and unincorporated areas of the Parish; and

WHEREAS, the Municipalities require adequate facilities to dispose of the solid waste collected by them to comply with applicable federal guidelines and State Department of Health Regulations and State Department of Environmental Quality; and

WHEREAS, the Parish wants to assist the Municipalities in eliminating abandoned/derelict/nuisance/blighted structures throughout the Parish previously used for residential, business, industrial, farming or storage purposes which both parties agree has been deemed structurally unsafe, unstable, unsanitary, a hazard to life because of inadequacies in the areas of foundation and structural integrity; poses a fire hazard; is or may become a place of rodent and insect infestation; is littered with trash or debris; or, otherwise constitutes a hazard to health and safety because of inadequate maintenance, dilapidation, obsolescence, or abandonment.

WHEREAS, the Parish shall provide an exemption of the tipping fees of all properties and structures declared abandoned/derelict/nuisance/blighted structures by the Municipalities; and

WHEREAS, a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement needs to be signed to accomplish this.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council, the governing authority of the City of Morgan City, that the Mayor be, and he is hereby authorized and empowered to execute a cooperative endeavor agreement between the City of Morgan City and St. Mary Parish Government to allow for

Mr. Domangue seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Tamporello, Domangue, Bias, Hymel, Stephens
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 26th day of March, 2019.

Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Mayor

ATTEST:

Debbie Harrington
Clerk

The next matter on the agenda was the surplus equipment, whereupon,

Mr. Hymel offered the following Resolution, who moved for its adoption.

RESOLUTION NO. R: 19-13

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council, the governing authority of the City of Morgan City, that the item shown below are hereby declared surplus and no longer needed:

1. 2001 Ford Taurus VIN# 1FAFP53271A254161
2. 2004 Ford Crown Victoria VIN# 2FAFP71W44X120138
3. 1999 Ford Crown Victoria VIN# 2FAFP71W5XX113767, top lights and sirens
4. 2005 Chevy Impala VIN# 2G1WF52E259298569

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, etc., that said items be donated to the City of Melville or the City of Church Point with the authorization of a cooperative endeavor agreement

Pastor Bias seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Hymel, Bias, Domangue, Hymel, Stephens
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

The Resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 26th day of March, 2019.

Frank P. Grizzaffi, III, Mayor

ATTEST:

Debbie Harrington, Clerk

Mayor Grizzaffi stated that the town of Church Point and the Town of Melville had expressed interest in some of the surplus police units. He stated that as of today, only

Church Point wanted two vehicles and a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement needed to be signed, whereupon,

Pastor Bias offered the following Resolution, who moved for its adoption.

RESOLUTION NO. R: 19-14

WHEREAS, the City of Morgan City and the Town of Church Point are governmental entities authorized to enter into cooperative endeavor agreements pursuant to La. Const. Art. VI, Sec. 20 and Art. VII, Sec. 14 (c); and

WHEREAS, the City has declared four police units as surplus; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Church Point is in need of police units.

NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, by the City Council, the governing authority of the City of Morgan City, Louisiana that the Mayor be, and he is hereby authorized and empowered to execute a cooperative endeavor agreement between the City of Morgan City and the Town of Church Point for the donation of police units.

Mr. Stephens seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Bias, Stephens, Domangue, Hymel, Tamporello
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 26th day of March, 2019.

Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Mayor

ATTEST:

Debbie Harrington
Clerk

Mayor Grizzaffi stated that Mr. Bryce Merrill had expressed interest in serving on the Image, Archives, Historic District, and the Convention, Culture and Tourism Commission and he would like to appoint Mr. Merrill to all four commissions. A motion to concur in the appointments was made by Mr. Tamporello, seconded by Mr. Domangue and voted unanimously in favor.

The final matter on the agenda was the Resolution of Respect for Mr. Don Tellman. Mr. Stephens said that he was a good friend of his and was very instrumental in the Bayou BBQ Bash which was now the second largest BBQ festival in the State, whereupon,

Messrs. Bias, Domangue, Hymel, Stephens, Tamporello offered the following Resolution, who moved for its adoption.

RESOLUTION NO. R: 19-15
IN MEMORIAM
DONALD "DON" FRANCIS TELLMAN

WHEREAS, God, in his infinite wisdom has taken Donald "Don" Francis Tellman from our midst; and

WHEREAS, retired from the United States Navy in 1977 as a Lieutenant Commander after serving on destroyers submarines and submarine tenders as chief engineer; and

WHEREAS, he was a qualified nuclear operating engineer and taught Marine Propulsion in Great Lakes Illinois and taught nuclear power and chemistry at the S1C prototype in Windsor, Connecticut; and

WHEREAS, he spent 30 years building and repairing ships and boats and managed several shipyards in the United States for Lockheed Shipbuilding, where he would oversee the construction and repair of ships and boats for various customers. During his employment with Lockheed he held numerous management and senior management positions including Vice President of Production Operations; and

WHEREAS he moved to Morgan City in 1987 and began working at Swiftships; and

WHEREAS, he was recruited to manage the Williamstown Dockyard in Williamstown, Australia for the construction of 10 3600 Anzac Class Frigates for the Australian and New Zealand Navies. He served as CEO of Darwin Ship Repair and Engineering in Darwin, Australia. He managed the construction and repair of ships for civilian customers as well as the Royal and Australian Navy and Army; and

WHEREAS, he was very active in the VFW Post 4222, American Legion Post 96, and the Military Officers Association. In his free time, he loved to cook, fish and hunt and was an accomplished BBQ Chef. He especially liked to compete in BBQ competitions throughout South Central Louisiana and won numerous awards for his efforts; and

WHEREAS, he and his wife were very instrumental in the beginning stages of the St. Mary Chamber of Commerce Bayou BBQ Bash. He was always there to help others and loved sharing his food with people who liked to eat good BBQ; and

WHEREAS, he is survived by his wife of 63 years, Mata Kaiser Tellman; three son, Larry Tellman, Roy Franklin Tellman and Douglas Leonard Telmman; and

WHEREAS, he will be missed by the many, whose lives he touched.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council, the governing authority of the City of Morgan City, that all those in attendance at this meeting rise and bow their heads in silent prayer out of respect for the late Donald "Don" Francis Tellman and extend to his bereaved family our sincere condolences in this, their hour of sorrow, and in these inadequate words endeavor to express the high regard in which we held him in life and honor his memory in death.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, etc., that this resolution be inscribed on a separate page of the official proceedings of this meeting; that a copy of this resolution be sent to his bereaved family; and that this meeting adjourn out of respect for the late Donald "Don" Francis Tellman.

Messrs. Bias, Domangue, Hymel, Stephens, Tamporello seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

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| AYES: | Bias, Domangue, Hymel, Stephens, Tamporello |
| NAYS: | None |
| ABSENT: | None |

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 26th day of March, 2019.

Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Mayor

ATTEST:

Debbie Harrington
Clerk

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