

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
CITY OF MORGAN CITY
JUNE 25, 2013

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 Barry Dufrene, James Fontenot, Tim Hymel, and Louis J. Tamporello, Jr.

Absent: Ron Bias

Also present were Mr. Marcus Folse, Chief Administrative Officer and Mr. Gregory Aucoin, City Attorney.

The invocation was given by Councilman Louis Tamporello, Jr.

Mr. Lee Delaune, Louisiana Shrimp & Petroleum Festival Executive Officer, addressed the Council and submitted correspondence requesting approval of the 78th annual Louisiana Shrimp & Petroleum Festival (copy on file). A motion to approve the 78th annual Louisiana Shrimp & Petroleum Festival at Lawrence Park August 29, 2013 through September 2, 2013 was made by Mr. Fontenot, seconded by Mr. Hymel, and voted unanimously in favor.

Mr. Wilbert Turner addressed the Council requesting permission to use the area under the bridge between Federal Avenue and Fourth Street on August 10, 2013 to hold the Youth Teen Festival. A motion to allow the Calvary Christian Fellowship Church use of the area was made by Mr. Hymel, seconded by Mr. Tamporello, and voted unanimously in favor.

Mr. John Schaff with the Doric Lodge #205 F & AM requested use of Lawrence Park on October 1, 2013 to hold the first annual National Night Out Against Crime. A motion to allow use of the park was made by Mr. Dufrene, seconded by Mr. Fontenot, and voted unanimously in favor.

Ms. Deborah Price voiced her opposition to the decision of the City to remain in the garbage business. She stated that the Council was going to continue to do the same thing and hope for a different result. She wanted to know what would happen in eighteen months when it still was not working and the City decided to privatize. She stated the rates would be higher than they were offering the City now. She stated that the Council was supposed to do what a majority of the citizens wanted. She had not spoken to anyone who thought that the City should still be in the garbage business. She did not feel that the Council was representing the citizens; instead the Council was making a decision for them. Mr. Tamporello said that no matter what they do there would still be troubles in the sanitation department. They would be having a meeting with all personnel asking them to take better care of the City equipment. Mr. Dufrene stated that he had looked at the number many times in many different ways. He stated that it was the responsibility of the Council to spend the tax payer's money wisely. It was also their responsibility to provide the equipment to the employee so they could provide the best service. He said from the financial standpoint he was hoping that the City would provide better equipment so the employees could provide better services.

Mr. Dean Adams stated that he felt the City should privatize the garbage. He stated to continue throwing good money after bad was not the solution.

The minutes of the May 28, 2013 meeting were submitted. There being no corrections, additions, or deletions, a motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Tamporello, seconded by Mr. Fontenot, and voted unanimously in favor.

Mrs. Deborah Garber, Finance Director, submitted the following financial statement for the period ending May 31, 2013.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DATE: June 25, 2013

TO: Mayor and Council
FROM: Deborah Garber
RE: Comments related to summary of revenues and expenses compared to budget for the period ended May 31, 2013.

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 May 31, 2013. The following comments are related thereto:

General and Ancillary Funds: Actual total revenues exceed budget by \$120,600. Operating expenses are below budget by \$211,600. The net income, after transfers, of \$306,500 creates a favorable variance of \$332,300.

Utility Fund: Actual revenues are under budget by \$405,600, with operational expenses under budget by \$107,300. The net loss, after transfers, of \$233,600 creates an unfavorable variance of \$302,700.

Sanitation and Sewer Fund: The operating revenues are \$6,200 under budget, with total operating expenses under budget by \$82,900. The net loss, after transfers, of \$483,600 leaves a favorable variance of \$84,800.

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

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT
Actual Revenues and Expenses Compared to Budget
Period Ended May 31, 2013

	May 2013 ACTUAL	May 2013 BUDGET	VARIANCE
GENERAL AND ANCILLARY FUNDS			
REVENUES			
General Fund	2,744,932	2,593,364	151,568
Recreation Fund	80,027	63,792	16,235
Library Fund	6,099	7,335	(1,236)
Auditorium Fund	48,058	46,958	1,100
Lake End Park Fund	246,563	293,583	(47,020)
Total Revenues	<u>3,125,679</u>	<u>3,005,033</u>	120,646
EXPENSES-OPERATIONAL			
General Fund	4,021,191	4,129,121	(107,930)
Recreation Fund	240,792	292,300	(51,508)
Library Fund	44,076	52,432	(8,356)
Auditorium Fund	158,903	191,133	(32,230)
Lake End Park Fund	290,902	302,508	(11,606)
Total Expenses	<u>4,755,864</u>	<u>4,967,494</u>	(211,630)
TRANSFERS			
Transfers from Funds	1,759,483	1,759,483	0
Transfers to Funds	177,241	177,241	0
Net Transfers	<u>1,936,724</u>	<u>1,936,724</u>	0
EXCESS NET OF TRANSFERS	<u>306,539</u>	<u>(25,737)</u>	<u>332,276</u>
UTILITY FUND			
Total			
Revenues	7,560,902	7,966,589	(405,687)
Total Expenditures	<u>6,524,353</u>	<u>6,631,626</u>	(107,274)
Net Excess	1,036,549	1,334,963	(298,413)
Net Transfers and non-oper.	<u>(1,270,151)</u>	<u>(1,265,846)</u>	(4,305)
Excess net of transfers	<u>(233,601)</u>	<u>69,117</u>	<u>(302,718)</u>

SANITATION AND SEWER FUND

Total			
Revenues	894,467	900,668	(6,201)
Total Expenses	1,200,565	1,283,552	(82,987)
Net Excess	(306,098)	(382,883)	76,786
Net Transfers/non- operating expenses	(177,466)	(185,482)	8,016
Excess net of transfers and non-operating	(483,564)	(568,365)	84,802

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

The next matter on the agenda was the Finance Committee Recommendations, whereupon,

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

RESOLUTION NO. R: 13-45

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council, the governing authority of the City of Morgan City, that the following Finance Committee recommendations be and the same are hereby approved:

1. Allocate up to \$410,000 from Pollution Abatement to purchase Sanitation trucks. Up to \$400,000 is to be used to purchase the trucks and up to \$10,000 is to be used for shipping costs.

Mr. Dufrene seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Fontenot, Dufrene, Hymel, Tamporello
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Bias

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 25th day of June, 2013.

/s/ Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Debbie Harrington
Debbie Harrington
Clerk

Mr. Gerald Thibodeaux with Kolder, Champagne, Slaven & Co. gave the annual audit report for the City for the year ending December 31, 2012 (copy on file). A motion to accept the audit report was made by Mr. Dufrene, seconded by Mr. Tamporello, and voted unanimously in favor.

In the matter of the condemnation report, City Attorney Greg Aucoin suggested that the Council take no action on the matter at this time. He wanted to make sure that all notification protocol had been followed.

The next matter on the agenda was change order number 2 for the Roadway Repairs & Improvements, Phase V Project, whereupon,

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

RESOLUTION NO. R: 13-46

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, empowered, and directed in the name of and on behalf of said municipal corporation, to execute Change Order Number 2, an increase in the amount of \$77,360.00, under Contract Number R:12-49, between the City of Morgan City and Larry Doiron, Inc. for the Roadway Repairs & Improvements, Phase V project.

Mr. Fontenot seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Hymel, Fontenot, Dufrene, Tamporello
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Bias

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 25th day of June, 2013.

/s/ Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Debbie Harrington
Debbie Harrington
Clerk

Mayor Grizzaffi stated that the project needed to be put into substantial completion, whereupon,

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

RESOLUTION NO. R: 13-47

WHEREAS, the firm of Larry Doiron, Inc. has substantially completed the work done under contract No. R:12-49, for the Roadway Repairs & Improvements, Phase V project, dated , and recorded in the mortgage records of the Parish of St. Mary, Book 1339 , Entry 314874 , Page 559, and

WHEREAS, the contractor has requested that this work be put in the lien period, and

WHEREAS, Michael Loupe, Public Works Director for the City has recommended acceptance of said project as substantially complete, to begin the forty-five (45) day lien period with no items remaining to be done, and

WHEREAS, before final payment is made, Michael Loupe, will so certify to the City that the project is fully complete and approve the payment of the retainage,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council, the governing authority of the City of Morgan City, Louisiana that the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to execute the "Certificate of Substantial Completion" and that a copy of this resolution, along with said "Certificate" be filed with the Clerk of Courts of the Parish of St. Mary to initiate the forty-five (45) day lien period for the work done under the above mentioned contract.

Mr. Hymel seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Fontenot, Hymel, Dufrene, Tamporello

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Bias

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 25th day of June, 2013.

/s/ Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Debbie Harrington
Debbie Harrington
Clerk

Mayor Grizzaffi stated that some additional sprinklers needed to be added to the Lake End Park Cabins to bring them up to code, whereupon,

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

RESOLUTION NO. R: 13-48

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, empowered, and directed in the name of and on behalf of said municipal corporation, to execute Change Order Number 3, an increase in the amount of \$2,168.80, under Contract Number R:12-16, between the City of Morgan City and LA Contracting Enterprise, LLC for the Lakehouses at Lake End Parkway.

Mr. Fonenot seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Hymel, Fontenot, Dufrene, Tamporello

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Bias

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 25th day of June, 2013.

/s/ Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Debbie Harrington
Debbie Harrington
Clerk

Mayor Grizzaffi stated that La Fete de Ecologie would be held at Lake End Park again this year, whereupon,

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

RESOLUTION NO. R: 13-49

WHEREAS, the Barataria-Terrebonne National Estuary Program will hold the 17th annual *La Fête d'Ecologie* in the City of Morgan City on Saturday, October 19, 2013 at the Victor Guarisco Lake End Park; and

WHEREAS, the *La Fête d'Ecologie* educates our community about the rich resources and heritage of the Barataria-Terrebonne National Estuary through various forms of entertainment; and

WHEREAS, traditional folk life artists, government agencies, non-profits and educational groups participate to teach children and adults about the history, culture, and bounty of the environment, as well as their efforts to restore Louisiana's wetlands; and

WHEREAS, music, food and contests are also a part of *La Fête d'Ecologie*.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, by the City Council, the governing authority of the City of Morgan City, that it fully supports the *La Fête d'Ecologie* and encourages all of its citizens to participate in the festival activities and events.

Mr. Dufrene seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Hymel, Dufrene, Fontenot, Tamporello
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Bias

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 25th day of June, 2013.

/s/ Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Debbie Harrington
Debbie Harrington
Clerk

The Garbage Rate Ordinance was introduced for a first reading. No definitive action necessary.

In the matter of the Liquor & Beer Permit, Mr. Aucoin stated that he wanted the property owner to come before the Council to receive pre-clearance. Mr. Robert Lavine stated that he would have a company representative contact the City Attorney.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Tamporello, seconded by Mr. Dufrene, and voted unanimously in favor.

/s/ Debbie Harrington
Debbie Harrington
Clerk

/s/ Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Mayor