**EUNICE, LOUISIANA**

**AUGUST 13, 2024**

**THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN AND ALDERWOMEN, THE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF EUNICE, PARISH OF ST. LANDRY/ACADIA, STATE OF LOUISIANA**, met in Regular Session on Tuesday, AUGUST 13, 2024 at six-thirty (6:30) o’clock p.m., at their regular meeting place, the Eunice City Hall.

6:30 pm The Mayor called the Regular meeting of the City of Eunice Board of Aldermen and Alderwomen to order.

 There were present: Mayor Scott A. Fontenot, Alderman Chad Andrepont, Alderwoman Germaine Simpson, Alderman Randall Reed and Alderwoman Connie Thibodeaux

 There were absent: Alderman at Large Marion “Nootsie” Sattler

 The Mayor announced that a quorum was present and ready to transact business.

 There were no requests for Public Comments.

 It was moved by Alderman Chad Andrepont, seconded by Alderwoman Germaine Simpson and carried to adopt the Minutes of the July 9, 2024 Regular Council meeting.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT:**

Code Enforcement Officer Judson Venezia presented structures and requested that “Show Cause” Hearings be held in regards to condemnation of structures. The Eunice Board of Aldermen and Alderwomen acted as follows:

 It was moved by Alderwoman Germaine Simpson, seconded by Alderman Randall Reed and carried to have scheduled a “Show Cause” Hearing on the following property:

 **225-A South St. George Street**, owner of record Joseph Dupre.

 It was moved by Alderwoman Germaine Simpson, seconded by Alderwoman Connie Thibodeaux and carried to have scheduled a “Show Cause” Hearing on the following property:

 **225-B South St. George Street**, owner of record Joseph Dupre.

 It was moved by Alderman Randall Reed, seconded by Alderman Chad Andrepont, and carried to have scheduled a “Show Cause” Hearing on the following property:

 **600 East Peach Avenue**, owner of record Nextegen Holdings.

 It was moved by Alderman Randall Reed, seconded by Alderwoman Connie Thibodeaux, and carried to have scheduled a “Show Cause” Hearing on the following property:

 **610 East Peach Avenue**, owner of record Nextegen Holdings.

**MAYOR’S RECOMMENDATION AND/OR BUSINESS:**

 The Mayor announced that drivers in town should be aware that school is back in session and buses and children will be going to and from school and asked that drivers pay attention to crosswalks and school pickup routes.

**OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:**

 It was moved by Alderwoman Thibodeaux, seconded by Alderwoman Simpson and carried to adopt Resolution 0824, adopting the 2024 Property Tax Millage as follows:
 General Alimony - 6.53
 Street Maintenance - 4.82

 It was moved by Alderman Andrepont, seconded by Alderwoman Simpson and carried to adopt Resolution 0824(A), authorizing the Mayor to execute Cooperative Endeavor Agreements for Capital Outlay Projects and to request financial assistance for the renovations to City Hall and the Police Department and for the Sewer System Collection Rehabilitation.

 It was moved by Alderman Reed, seconded by Alderwoman Thibodeaux and carried to approve the Liquor License Application of Ricardo Castillo dba Iguanas Eunice LLC/Blue Iguanas.

 It was moved by Alderman Reed, seconded by Alderman Andrepont and carried to approve the Liquor License Application of Jose Chavez dba Iguanas Eunice LLC/Blue Iguanas.

 It was moved by Alderman Reed, seconded by Alderman Andrepont and carried to approve the Liquor License Application of Leonel Castillo dba Iguanas Eunice LLC/Blue Iguanas.

 It was moved by Alderman Reed, seconded by Alderwoman Simpson and carried to approve the Liquor License Application of John Gielen dba Mr. Gatti’s Pizza/Gielen Development.

 It was moved by Alderman Andrepont, seconded by Alderwoman Thibodeaux and carried to authorize the Mayor to purchase on behalf of the City Lots 9, 10, 11 and 12 of Block 5 of the Original Townsite, with a physical address of 201 North C.C. Duson Street, for the amount of ninety-five thousand dollars ($95,000) pending the final appraisal of the property.

 It was moved by Alderman Reed, seconded by Alderwoman Thibodeaux and carried to authorize the Mayor to purchase on behalf of the City ten (10) acres of property located on West Ash Avenue, fronting five hundred feet (500’) on West Ash Avenue, for the amount of seventy-five thousand dollars ($75,000) pending the final appraisal of the property.

 Lt. Ryan Young of the Eunice Police Department made the following announcements on behalf of Chief of Police Kyle LeBouef:

 The St. Landry Parish Crime Stoppers Association have recognized the following Members of the Eunice Police Department:

 Deputy Chief Jeremy Ivory has been selected as “Supervisor of the Year.”

 Records Clerk Julie Shaw has been selected as “Civil Employee of the Year.”

 The Eunice Police Department will be participating in the “Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over” campaign from August 16 through September 2, 2024.

**MONTHLY REPOTS**

 Police Lieutenant Ryan Young gave a report of the Eunice Police Department’s activities for the month of July, 2024.

 The Mayor read a report of the Eunice Fire Department’s activities for the month of July, 2024.

 It was moved by Alderman Andrepont, seconded by Alderwoman Simpson and carried to approve payment of the City’s bills for the month of July, 2024 and acknowledged that the Board has received the City’s financial reports.

 It was moved by Alderman Randall Reed, seconded by Alderwoman Connie Thibodeaux and carried to adjourn.

Ginny Moody, City Clerk Scott A. Fontenot, Mayor