

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF PORT ALLEN, LOUISIANA  
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10, 2015**

**CORRECTED VERSION**

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Port Allen, Louisiana, met in Regular Session at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 10, 2015, in the Council Chambers at Port Allen City Hall.

Mayor Lee called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and asked Isiah Richardson to lead the pledge of allegiance. Roll call vote resulted as follows:

Present: Ray Helen Lawrence, Garry Hubble, Brandon Brown, R.J. Loupe, Jr., Hugh Riviere

Absent: None

Mr. Hugh Riviere moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 13, 2015. Mrs. Ray Helen Lawrence seconded the motion. Mayor Lee asked if there was any opposition. There was none and the motion carried by unanimous consent of the members present.

Mayor Lee read aloud the procedure for public participation at the Regular Meetings of the Port Allen City Council in accordance with state statutes and local ordinances.

Mayor Lee opened the public hearing to obtain views from the public regarding the adoption of an ordinance to amend the budgets of the City of Port Allen's General Fund, Water and Gas Fund, Sewer Fund, and Capital Improvements Fund for fiscal year 2014-2015. No one had signed up to address the City Council. Mayor Lee asked the audience if anyone wished to be heard. No one answered. Mayor Lee then closed the public hearing.

Mr. Hugh Riviere moved to adopt Ordinance No. 3 of 2015 to amend the budgets of the City of Port Allen's General Fund, Water and Gas Fund, Sewer Fund, and Capital Improvements Fund for fiscal year 2014-2015. Mr. Garry Hubble seconded the motion. Mayor Lee asked if there was any opposition. There was none. When roll was called, Mr. Brandon Brown voted to abstain. The Clerk asked Mr. Brown to state the reason for his abstention. He stated that he disagreed with putting the lawsuit settlement money in the same budget amendment ordinance as the other capital expenditures and thought it would be better to put them in separate ordinances. After discussion with the City Attorney, Mr. Brown stated that his vote would be NAY. After Mayor Lee asked for a roll call vote on the Ordinance, the following result occurred: YEAS: Hubble, Loupe, Riviere. NAYS: Brown, Lawrence. The motion carried.

Mayor Lee opened the public hearing to obtain view from the public regarding the adoption of an ordinance to provide for revenues and expenditures for all City of Port Allen's funds for fiscal year 2015-2016 beginning July 1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2016. No one had signed up to address the City Council. Mayor Lee asked the audience if anyone wished to be heard. No one answered. Mayor Lee then closed the public hearing.

Mr. Hugh Riviere moved to adopt Ordinance No. 4 of 2015 to provide for the revenues and expenditures for all City of Port Allen's funds for fiscal year 2015-2016. Mr. R.J. Loupe, Jr. seconded the motion. Mayor Lee asked if there was any opposition. There was none. Mayor Lee asked for a roll call vote which resulted as follows: YEAS: Brown, Hubble, Lawrence, Loupe, Riviere. The motion carried.

Mr. Robert Macedo, administrator of the City of Port Allen's Section 8 Housing Assistance Program, provided the Mayor and City Council with an update in the Section 8 program and the City's ability to include more individual families in the program. Garry Hubble moved to

authorize the Section 8 administrator to advertise for new intake applicants for the Section 8 Housing Assistance Program. Mrs. Ray Helen Lawrence seconded the motion. Mayor Lee asked if there was any opposition. There was none. A roll call vote resulted as follows: YEAS: Brown, Hubble, Lawrence, Loupe, Riviere. NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Several individuals had signed in to address the City Council regarding the agenda item associated with paying an invoice for legal fees to the law firm of Phelps Dunbar. They were allowed to voice their concerns to the Mayor and City Council. Mr. Brandon Brown moved to rescind the previous City Council resolution adopted in June, 2013 and authorize payment of the legal fees. Mrs. Ray Helen Lawrence seconded the motion. Mayor Lee asked if there was anyone else wished to be heard. No one answered. A roll call vote resulted as follows: **YEAS: Brown, Lawrence. NAYS: Hubble, Loupe, Riviere. The motion failed.**

Mr. R.J. Loupe, Jr. moved to approve the Performance Evaluation forms presented by Mayor Lee regarding City of Port Allen employees. Mrs. Ray Helen Lawrence seconded the motion. Mayor Lee asked if there were any objections. There were none. A roll call vote resulted as follows: YEAS: Brown, Hubble, Lawrence, Loupe, Riviere. NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Mr. R.J. Loupe, Jr. moved to appoint The Westside Journal as the official journal for the City of Port Allen for fiscal year 2015-2016. Mr. Hugh Riviere seconded the motion. Mayor Lee asked if there were any objections. There were none. A roll call vote resulted as follows: YEAS: Brown, Hubble, Lawrence, Loupe, Riviere. NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Mr. Hugh Riviere moved to appoint the firm of Provost, Salter, Harper & Alford to perform the financial statements of the City of Port Allen for fiscal year 2014-2015 and to sign a contract to employ their firm to perform these services for the City of Port Allen. Mr. R.J. Loupe, Jr. seconded the motion. Mayor Lee asked if there were any objections. There were none. A roll call vote resulted as follows: YEAS: Brown, Hubble, Lawrence, Loupe, Riviere. NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Mrs. Ray Helen Lawrence moved to authorize Mayor Lee to sign the Change Order regarding Phase II of the Road Improvements Program. Mr. Hugh Riviere seconded the motion. Mayor Lee asked if there were any objections. There were none. A roll call vote resulted as follows: YEAS: Brown, Hubble, Lawrence, Loupe, Riviere. NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Mrs. Ray Helen Lawrence moved to authorize Mayor Lee to sign the Notice/Affidavit of Substantial Completion of Phase II of the Road Improvements Program. Mr. R.J. Loupe, Jr. seconded the motion. Mayor Lee asked if there were any objections. There were none. A roll call vote resulted as follows: YEAS: Brown, Hubble, Lawrence, Loupe, Riviere. NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Mr. R.J. Loupe, Jr. moved to authorize the transfer of a 1958 Ford Tractor to the West Baton Rouge Parish Museum. Mr. Garry Hubble seconded the motion. Mayor Lee asked if there was any objections. There were none. A roll call vote resulted as follows: YEAS: Brown, Hubble, Lawrence, Loupe, Riviere. NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Mr. Brandon Brown moved to authorize Mayor Lee to advertise and interview for the position of Laborer I with the City of Port Allen. Mr. Garry Hubble seconded the motion. Mayor Lee asked if there were any objections. There were none. A roll call vote resulted as follows: YEAS: Brown, Hubble, Lawrence, Loupe, Riviere. NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Mrs. Ray Helen Lawrence moved to adopt the recommendation of the City of Port Allen Planning and Zoning Commission regarding the re-subdivision of a small tract of land in Burbridge Tract Subdivision. Mr. Garry Hubble seconded the motion. Mayor Lee asked if there were any objections. There were none. A roll call vote resulted as follows: YEAS: Brown, Hubble, Lawrence, Loupe, Riviere. NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Mr. Garry Hubble moved to adopt the Condolence Resolution for Mrs. Lillian Ragan. Mrs. Ray Helen Lawrence seconded the motion. The City Clerk read the Resolution aloud. Mayor Lee asked if there was any objections. There were none. A roll call vote resulted as follows: YEAS: Brown, Hubble, Lawrence, Loupe, Riviere. NAYS: None. The motion carried.

City Attorney Lance Joseph stated that there were no condemnation proceedings pending at this time.

Mr. Adrian Genre stated that there were no alcoholic beverage permits pending.

Mayor Lee announced that the LMA Convention would be held in Lafayette, LA at the Cajundome on July 30, 2015 through August 1, 2015 and informed the City Council that if they intended to register, it needed to be done online. Mayor Lee announced that the Juneteenth Celebration would be held at William and Lee Park on June 19, 2015 beginning at noon and everyone was invited.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mr. Hugh Riviere moved to adjourn. Mr. R.J. Loupe, Jr. seconded the motion. The motion carried without objection and the meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

s/ Richard N. Lee, III  
Richard N. Lee, III, Mayor

s/ Audrey A. McCain  
Audrey A. McCain, City Clerk