

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF PORT ALLEN, LOUISIANA
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2016**

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Port Allen, Louisiana, met in Regular Session on Wednesday, February 10, 2016, in the City Council Chambers at Port Allen City Hall.

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

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

Absent: None

Mr. Hugh Riviere moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 10, 2016. 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.

Mrs. Ray Helen Lawrence moved to authorize Mayor Lee to sign any and all documents associated with the abandonment of Michigan Street from 8th Street to the N. Alexander service road to allow for the West Baton Rouge Parish Library expansion project. Mr. R.J. Loupe, Jr. 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, and Riviere. NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Mrs. Ray Helen Lawrence moved to authorize Mayor Lee to advertise the upcoming vacancy at the Wastewater Treatment Plant for a utility supervisor. Mr. Garry Hubble 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, and Riviere. NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Mr. Brandon Brown moved to authorize Mayor Lee to enter into a contract with CPEX for the purpose of assisting with rebranding and facilitating with new signage in connection with the City's Centennial Celebration and Master Plan. Mr. Hugh Riviere 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, and Riviere. NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Mr. R.J. Loupe, Jr. moved to introduce an ordinance to levy a 5.27 mill property tax for a period of ten (10) years beginning with the tax year 2016 for the purpose of paying the maintenance and operating expenses of the City of Port Allen Police Department which was approved by the citizens of Port Allen in the November 21, 2015 election. Mr. Hugh Riviere 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, and Riviere. NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Mayor Lee recognized Nikisha Joseph to address the Mayor and City Council regarding a police matter. No further action was taken.

The City Attorney stated there were no condemnation proceedings pending.

Adrian Genre stated there were no alcoholic beverage permits pending.

Mayor Lee announced that the Black History Parade is scheduled for Saturday, February 13, 2016, beginning at 1 p.m. Dr. Charles Smith with the African American Museum will be on hand after the parade at William and Lee Park to take pictures of Port Allen's Vietnam Veterans for their museum project. Mayor Lee asked City Council members and the public to attend.

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 5:53 p.m.

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

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