

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF PORT ALLEN, LOUISIANA  
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2017**

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Port Allen, Louisiana, met in Regular Session on Wednesday, January 11, 2017, in the City Council Chambers at Port Allen City Hall.

Mayor Richard Lee called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and asked Elliott Dogan to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call vote resulted as follows:

Present: Brandon Brown, Garry Hubble, Ray Helen Lawrence, Hugh Riviere, and Carey Williams

Absent: None

Mr. Hugh Riviere moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 14, 2016 and the Special Meeting of December 19, 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.

Mr. Garry Hubble moved to select Mrs. Ray Helen Lawrence to serve as Mayor Pro Tem for the 2017-2020 term. Mr. Hugh Riviere seconded the motion. Mayor Lee asked if there was any objection. There was none. A roll call vote resulted as follows: YEAS: Brown, Hubble, Lawrence, Riviere, Williams. NAYS: None. The motion carried.

Mrs. Ray Helen Lawrence moved to approve Mayor Lee's recommendation to reappoint Mr. Booker T. Washington to the Port Allen Planning and Zoning Commission for another term. Mr. Garry Hubble seconded the motion. Mayor Lee asked if there was any objection. There was none. A roll call vote resulted as follows: YEAS: Brown, Hubble, Lawrence, Riviere, Williams. NAYS: None.

Mrs. Ray Helen Lawrence moved to approve Mayor Lee's recommendation to appoint Audrey A. McCain as the City Clerk and Tax Collector for the City of Port Allen for the 2017-2020 term. Mr. Garry Hubble seconded the motion. Mayor Lee asked if there was any objection. There was none. A roll call vote resulted as follows: YEAS: Hubble, Lawrence, Riviere. NAYS: Brown, Williams.

Mayor Lee stated that he would like the City Council to appoint Mr. Lance C. Joseph as Interim City Attorney until a replacement can be named at a later meeting. Mr. Hugh Riviere moved to appoint Mr. Lance C. Joseph as Interim City Attorney until a replacement can be recommended by Mayor Lee at a later meeting. Mr. Brandon Brown seconded the motion. Mayor Lee asked if there was any objection. There was none. A roll call vote resulted as follows: YEAS: Brown, Hubble, Lawrence, Riviere, Williams.

Interim City Attorney Joseph stated that there were no formal condemnation proceedings pending. However, City Inspector Lance Guidry informed the City Council that there were three houses located at 911 Avenue B, 1210 Avenue C, and 840 N. 14<sup>th</sup> Street that had been inspected by Mr. James Talbot and he was awaiting Mr. Talbot's written report as to the status of the property before moving forward. The property owner at 525 S. Jefferson, which was targeted for improvements or condemnation, told the City Council that a contractor had been secured to raze the property and remove the debris and is scheduled to begin by the end of January depending on weather conditions. No other action was taken by the City Council on this item.

Mr. Adrian Genre provided the following list of businesses that have requested renewal of their alcoholic beverages licenses:

- Allen Food Mart, 141 N. 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Port Allen, LA, Class B Liquor
- Chevron Food Mart, 704 S. Alexander, Port Allen, LA, Class B Liquor
- Circle K Stores, Inc., 650 S. Alexander, Port Allen, LA, Class B Liquor
- Court Street Café, 805 Court Street, Port Allen, LA, Class A Liquor
- French Quarter Daiquiris 310 S. Alexander, Port Allen, LA, Class A Liquor
- Hubbens, Inc., P.O. Box 671, Port Allen, LA, Class B Liquor
- Port Allen Seafood, LLC, 719 N. Alexander, Port Allen, LA, Class B Liquor
- Pic A Pac, 306 S. Alexander, Port Allen, LA, Class A Beer
- Walgreens #15366, 220 N. Alexander, Port Allen, LA, Class B Liquor

Mr. Hugh Riviere moved to approve all of the renewals, in globo. Mr. Carey Williams seconded the motion. Mayor Lee asked if there was any objection. There was none. A roll call vote resulted as follows: YEAS: Brown, Hubble, Lawrence, Riviere, Williams. NAYS: None.

Mayor Lee announced that Poplar Grove Baptist Church on Court Street would be having a Martin Luther King, Jr. Program beginning at 10 a.m. Mr. Hubble stated City's Riverfront/Ferry Landing area had been recognized by the National Geographic Geotourism Program.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mr. Hugh Riviere moved to adjourn. Mrs. Ray Helen Lawrence seconded the motion. The motion carried without objection and the meeting adjourned at 5:49 p.m.

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

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