

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF PORT ALLEN, LOUISIANA  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2016**

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Port Allen, Louisiana, met in Special Session at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, December 19, 2016, in the Council Chambers at Port Allen City Hall at 375 Court Street, Port Allen, Louisiana.

Mayor Richard N. Lee, III called the meeting to order at 5:36 p.m. and asked Chief Esdron Brown to lead the pledge of allegiance. Roll was called, resulting as follows:

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

Absent: None

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. Hugh Riviere moved to open the public hearing called for the purpose of setting the millage rates for ad valorem taxes for taxable property within the City of Port Allen at the rate of 7.54 mills for General Alimony for the City of Port Allen and 5.27 mills for the operations of the Port Allen Police Department. Mr. R.J. Loupe, Jr. seconded the motion. Mayor Lee asked if there was any objection to opening the public hearing. There was none.

No one signed in to address to City Council. Mayor Lee asked if anyone in the audience wished to be heard on the topic of setting millage rates for ad valorem taxes. No one answered. Mr. Brandon Brown moved to close the public hearing. Mr. Hugh Riviere seconded the motion. Mayor Lee asked if there was any objection to closing the public hearing. There was none and the public hearing was closed.

The Resolution to set the City of Port Allen millage rates for ad valorem taxes for 2016 was read in its entirety. Mrs. Ray Helen Lawrence moved to adopt the Resolution setting millage rates for 2016. 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, and Riviere. NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None. The Resolution was adopted.

The Mayor called item 6 on the agenda to discuss the introduction of an ordinance to amend the City's General Fund budget for fiscal year 2016-2017 to recognize additional revenue and allocate that money for the purchase of a new vehicle in the police department and for the purchase of up to eight (8) new Taser units for the police department. After a lengthy discussion among the Council members, the Mayor, the Chief of Police and some police department employees, Mr. R.J. Loupe, Jr. moved to amend the agenda to request the purchase of two (2) new vehicles for the police department and up to eight (8) new Taser units. Mrs. Ray Helen Lawrence 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, and Riviere. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None. The agenda was officially amended by unanimous vote of the City Council. Mr. R.J. Loupe, Jr. moved to introduce an ordinance to amend the City's General Fund budget for fiscal year 2016-2017 to recognize additional revenue and allocate that funding for the purchase of two (2) new vehicles and eight (8) new Taser units in the Port Allen Police Department. 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, and Riviere. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None. The motion carried.

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 and the motion carried without objection and the meeting adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

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

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