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The following minutes were taken at a Special Meeting of the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen on March 13, 2017 at the Town Hall in Pearl River. Mayor McQueen called the meeting to order at 5:07p.m.

Mayor McQueen asked for a motion to waive all introductions, so moved by Alderman Walsh, seconded by Alderman Bennett.

All in Favor, So Moved.

ROLL CALL:

Aldermen Walsh, McGregor, Cutrer, Phillips and Bennett, Attorney Mathison, Attorney Daigle, and Mayor McQueen were present.

DISCUSSION:

Mayor McQueen told the alderman that they were here tonight to amend the General Fund Budget; they will be removing money from the money market again to place under line item #6194-100 "Storm Expense" to finish paying Global Disaster Recovery. The mayor stated that he had added some additional monies to this amendment to be able to pay Global Disaster Recovery through May 2017. Alderman Walsh so moved to introduce the amended budget, seconded by Alderman McGregor.

All in Favor, So Moved.

This is the introduction and the public hearing will be held on March 21, 2017 at the next Town Meeting. Billy Burkette with Global Disaster Recovery explained where they were on the filing process with FEMA and GOHSEP. He also talked about the proposed new Sewer Plant and the money from the bond commission. Billy said that FEMA had told him that the filing process should be completed in May and that the Town should be getting funding within 30 days of writing the project worksheets being completed. He also stated that Katrina claims were at \$689,000. For #4080 Gustav, the town should be receiving some of the \$289,000 in claim reimbursement funds within the next several weeks. Billy stated that approximately \$200,000 of the claims was made on behalf of the Police Department. They also discussed how the claim money would be distributed between the funds. Global Disaster Recovery fees will be reimbursed under its own PO at the end of the filing process. Attorney Mathison explained to the Alderman that it would be up to them how the claim money is to be divided between the funds.

Attorney Daigle explained the appropriation of funds from the money market and that it wouldn't actually be placed in the budget. The budget would not have to be amended because the money would be coming from the Money Market and is not an income. Attorney Mathison suggested that we amend Ordinance #03-13-17 so that it could be voted on at the next meeting being held on March 21, 2017.

Alderman Phillips asked about housing for citizens in the event of an emergency. The discussion continued about a building to house some of the citizens during a disaster, such as food and necessary facilities. Billy

stated that every town and city is required to house 10% of its population during a disaster. The discussion continued for several more minutes; please obtain CD from Town Hall.

Next on the Agenda; Mayor Pro Tempore should have been announced in January, Alderman Walsh is the Mayor Pro Tempore for the year 2017.

Back to Ordinance #03-13-17, motion made by Alderman Phillips to reconsider the introduction of Ordinance #03-13-17, seconded by Alderman Cutrer.
All in Favor, So Moved.

Motion made by Alderman Bennett to replace the first version of Ordinance #03-13-17 with the version reworked by Attorney Daigle, seconded by Alderman Phillips.
All in Favor, So Moved.

Ordinance #01-03-A "Mobile Homes/Trailers"; the discussion of the amended ordinance went on for several minutes especially the zoning regulations and special permits. The new verbiage will state in the ordinance that "mobile homes are allowed as residences in zoning districts R1 and R3. Attorney Mathison suggested changing "House Trailers" and "Trailers" to be changed to "Mobile Homes" in the ordinance to make it consistent. He also indicated that on page 2, section I, would be deleted and state that recreational vehicles and travel trailers are prohibited as residences. The public hearing will be held on the amended ordinance on Tuesday, March 21, 2017.

Alderman Phillips made a motion to have a line item added to the agenda pertaining to septic tanks, seconded by Alderman Walsh.
All in Favor, So Moved.

Alderman Phillips asked the mayor if septic systems were allowed within the corporate limits of the town. The mayor said that all new septic systems would have to go through the board of health for approval before they could be installed. The mayor stated that he didn't think there were any existing septic tanks inside the town limits. The mayor also stated that if a home is within 300 ft. of the public sewer system, they must connect to it. The land owner must have a licensed plumber or pay the town to tie into the sewer system for them.

Motion was made to adjourn at 6:42pm by Alderman Walsh, second by Alderman Bennett.

MEETING ADJOURNED

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED THIS 13th DAY OF MARCH 2017.

Carla Benelli, Town Clerk

Honorable David McQueen, Mayor