



**TOWN OF PEARL RIVER
COUNCIL MEETING
January 21, 2020 at 7:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER:

The Council Meeting was held at the Pearl River Town Hall and so called to order by Mayor McQueen at 7:00 p.m.

INVOCATION:

The Invocation was given by Alderman McGregor.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor McQueen.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Alderman Galloway, Walsh, McGregor, Lee, Deputy Chief Hunter, along with Mayor McQueen, Attorney Mathison and Attorney Daigle. Absent: Alderman Bennett and Chief Sessions

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mayor McQueen called for the approval of the minutes for December 2 & 3, 2019 Council Meeting. Alderman Walsh made the motion to accept, seconded by Alderman Galloway. **All in favor. So moved.**

Mayor McQueen called for the approval of the minutes for December 17, 2019 Special Council Meeting. Alderman Walsh made the motion to accept, seconded by Alderman McGregor. **All in favor. So moved.**

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor McQueen opened the Public Hearing Ordinance No. 17-12-19 – An Ordinance adopting amendments to the Town Municipal Handbook. Mayor McQueen closed the Public Hearing and asked the Council to make a motion. Alderman Walsh made a motion to accepted, seconded by Alderman Lee. **All in favor. So moved.**

PARISH COUNCIL

Mayor McQueen introduced newly elected District #9 Parish Council Mike Smith to the Council and asked if he could be moved up on the Agenda. The Council agreed. Mike Smith thanked everyone for their vote and stated he would do everything he could to help the Town of Pearl River inside of the Parish Council. He then told the Council that the Parish Council had a giant hole in the budget and they are using the Parish reserves to fill the hole. He stated the new and old members were making plans to address the hole with cut backs because this would be the last year they could use the reserves.

LEGISLATIVE COMMENTS AND REPORTS:

None

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS AND REPORTS

- **Police Chief**

Deputy Chief Hunter stated that from December 1st to December 31, 2019 there were 561 calls, 218 citations written, 10 arrests and 2 firearm arrests.

- **Mayor**

Mayor McQueen informed the Council that the Town lost a big part of the community with the passing of Joe Seeley.

Mayor McQueen gave an update on the Spur 41 Bridge stating that all the parcels were completed except for one that was filed late. He reiterated once it was done it would be ready for the March 11, 2020 Letting date.

RECREATION DISTRICT #5

None

FIRE DISTRICT #11

EMS-56

MVA-5

Service/GI-4

Dispatched/Canceled-4

Structure Fire- 1 M/A

Vehicle Fire-2

Rubbish/Grass Fire-1

Police Matter-2

75- Total

SCHOOL BOARD:

Mike Winkler notified the Council the Pearl River High School was on schedule to replace the smoker for the AG Department.

He also stated that the High School was able to receive a substitute to aid with the ACT to help bring up the Quality Assurance Review for the Pearl River High School.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION:

Terry Parker reported they had no meeting in the month of January.

Mayor McQueen adjourned the meeting.

CD available in Records room, per-request.

MEETING ADJOURNED

AT 7:40 P.M.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED THIS 21st DAY OF JANUARY 2020


Cheryl K. Schultheis


Honorable Clarence "David" McQueen