



**TOWN OF PEARL RIVER  
COUNCIL MEETING  
June 16, 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: Bennett and Chief Sessions.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Mayor McQueen called for the approval of the minutes for March 17, 2020 Council Meeting. Alderman Walsh made the motion to accept, seconded by Alderman McGregor. **All in favor. So moved.**

**GUEST SPEAKER:**

Patti Oppenheim-Family Court Judge –Division K

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**R 06-16-20 -1 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor relative to the Louisiana CARES Act Program**

Mayor McQueen asked the Council to pass R 06-16-20-1 Resolution in order for the Town to receive funding for the COVID-19.

Alderman Walsh made the motion to accept, seconded by Alderman Lee.

**All in favor. So moved.**

**R 06-16-20-2 - A Resolution relative to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Audit**

Mayor McQueen asked the Council to pass R 06-16-20-2 Resolution for the Sewer Audit done by Curtis Environmental Services, Inc.

Alderman Walsh made the motion to accept, seconded by Alderman McGregor.

**All in favor. So moved.**

**ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION:**

Mayor McQueen introduced Ordinance 06-16-20 – An ordinance extending the moratorium on new construction. There will be a public hearing on this Ordinance on July 21, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor McQueen then asked the Council if he could open the floor and add to the introduction Ordinance 18-11-01A 2019 and Ordinance 19-11-19-A 2020 Budget to the agenda.

Mayor McQueen asked the Council to make a motion. Alderman Walsh made a motion to accept, seconded by Alderman Galloway. **All in favor. So moved.**

Mayor McQueen stated all of the ordinances introduced will have a public hearing on July 21, 2020 at 7:00 pm. He then told the Council if they wished to hold a Workshop- Special Meeting on the budgets they could call one before the regular Council Meeting in July.

**LEGISLATIVE COMMENTS AND REPORTS:**

- **Alderman Lee- Fourth of July**

Alderman Lee notified the Council that the town will be having their annual “Fourth of July” Celebration with the firework display only due to the COVID-19. He stated the firework display would be on July 3, 2020 at 9:00pm.

- **Alderman Galloway- James Lavigne Pearl River Park**

Alderman Galloway asked Mayor McQueen when the park would re-open. Mayor McQueen told Alderman Galloway it would reopen on Monday, June 22, 2020.

- **Alderman Walsh- Business**

Alderman Walsh stated how much the business of the town contributes to the Fourth of July Celebration.

- **McGregor- James Lavigne Pearl River Park**

Alderman McGregor thanked JDS for cleaning and sanitizing the park for the town at no charge.

**ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS AND REPORTS**

- **Police Chief-**

Deputy Chief Hunter stated the police departments were monitoring the riot situations in other towns ensuring that it doesn't migrate this way.

- **Mayor**

Mayor McQueen told the Council he wanted to update the Council on the Hwy 41 Spur Bridge. He informed the Council that 90% of the old bridge had been torn out and CLECO was getting ready to run an underground electrical cable.

Mayor McQueen apologized for the water leak on Hwy 41 Sunday June 14<sup>th</sup>. He stated it was unexpected and he felt the workers handled it very well and that the BWA- Boil Water Advisory was lifted quickly for our residents.

**RECREATION DISTRICT #5**

None

**FIRE DISTRICT #11**

**Chief Jack Dockery-May**

EMS-46

MVA-7

Service/GI-10

Dispatched/Canceled-13

Rubbish/Grass Fire-3

False Alarm-1

82- Total

**PARISH COUNCIL:**

None

**SCHOOL BOARD:**

None

**PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION:**

Terri Parker informed the Council that Planning & Zoning held a public hearing on the Preliminary Plat Plan for Phase 2 & 3 of Taylor Farms. She also stated she emailed everything in reference to the Preliminary Plat plan to the Council.

Mayor McQueen adjourned the meeting.

**CD available in Records room, per-request.**

**MEETING ADJOURNED**

**AT 7:35 P.M.**

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED THIS 16TH DAY OF JUNE 2020**

  
Cheryl K. Schultheis

  
Honorable Clarence "David" McQueen