

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING/REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN OF ST. FRANCISVILLE, MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN, ST. FRANCISVILLE, LA. TUESDAY-APRIL 26, 2022, at 5:30 P.M.

The Town of St. Francisville Board of Aldermen met in Public Hearing/Regular Meeting this 26th day of April 2022 at Old Market Hall, 9896 Royal Street, St. Francisville, LA.

The public meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm with the following members present Mayor Robert ‘Bobee’ Leake, Alderman Abby T. Cochran, Alderman Andrew D’ Aquilla, Alderman James R. Leake, Alderman Al Lemoine and Alderman Gigi Robertson

Absent: none

Prayer led by: Gigi Robertson

Pledge led by: Ben Klein

Motion made by Andrew D’ Aquilla, seconded by Abby T. Cochran to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of April 12, 2022. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

Reading of the public comment in meetings policy – Attorney Ben Klein.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

A. Open Hearing for Ordinance 2022-5:

ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE GENERAL ALIMONY MILLAGE RATE FOR ALL PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION BY THE TOWN OF ST. FRANCISVILLE IN WEST FELICIANA PARISH FOR TAX YEAR 2022.

Closed Public Hearing & Enter Public Meeting

Public Hearing closed at 5:35 and Regular Public Meeting began.

**PUBLIC MEETING**

Mayor Leake opened the floor for public comments on the agenda items before commencing with new business. No public comments submitted.

PEC Report – project update provided by Bianca Hillhouse of Professional Engineering Consultants

**BUSINESS ITEMS:**

B. Approve Certificate of Substantial Completion Miscellaneous Drainage Improvements Project.

Motion made by Abby T. Cochran, seconded by Al Lemoine to approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion for Southern Underground of Louisiana, LLC for the Miscellaneous Drainage Improvements Project. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

C. Approve Southern Underground of Louisiana’s Request for Payment #2 for the Miscellaneous Drainage Improvements Project in the amount of \$75,339.00.

Motion made by James R. Leake, seconded by Abby T. Cochran to approve Southern Underground’s Request for Payment #2 in the amount of \$75,339.00. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

D. Adopt Ordinance 2022-5 An Ordinance to Adopt the General Alimony Millage Rate of 5.66 Mills for the 2022 Tax Year.

Motion made by Gigi Robertson, seconded by Andrew D’ Aquilla to adopt Ordinance 2022-5.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea: Abby T. Cochran, Andrew D’ Aquilla, James R. Leake, Al Lemoine and Gigi Robertson

Nay: None

Absent: None

Abstained: None

Motion carried.

Departmental Updates – Mayor Leake

a. Mayor’s Comments

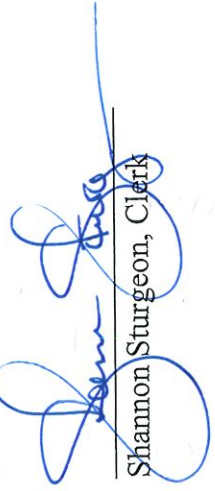
\*Budget reports provided for review.

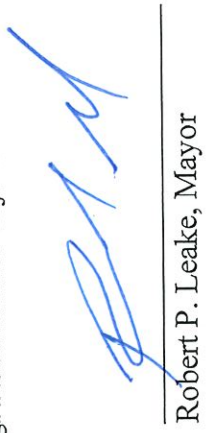
Motion made by Abby T. Cochran, seconded by James R. Leake to authorize Mayor Leake to purchase a used maintenance truck with the price not to exceed \$30K. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

- b. Attorney Update
- c. Police Report
- d. Permitting & Planning Updates
- e. Main Street Report
- f. Council Concerns

E. Adjournment

Motion made by Abby T. Cochran, seconded by Gigi Robertson to adjourn the meeting at 5:55 pm. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

  
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 Shannon Sturgeon, Clerk

  
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 Robert P. Leake, Mayor