

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF ST. MARTINVILLE, LOUISIANA
HELD ON THE 20th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2023.

The Mayor and City Council of the City of St. Martinville, Louisiana met in Regular Session on the 20th day of February 2023 at City Hall, their regular meeting place, pursuant to the call of the Mayor.

THERE were present: Jason Willis, Mayor

Carol Frederick, Councilman

Jonas Fontenette, Councilman

Janise Anthony, Councilman

Flo Chatman, Councilman

Allan L. Durand, City Attorney

THERE were absent: Mike Fuselier, Councilman

Mayor Jason Willis presiding, called the meeting to order.

It was moved by Carol Frederick duly seconded by Janise Anthony and unanimously carried that the minutes of the regular meeting held February 6, 2023 hereby be approved for publication in the Teche News, the Official Journal of the City of St. Martinville.

Upon motion of Carol Frederick duly seconded by Janise Anthony and unanimously carried that the bills to be paid by the City Finance Committee hereby be approved for payment.

CAO Avis Gutekunst presented a financial report to Mayor and Council.

Upon request of Johnishia Lacey, it was moved by Flo Chatman duly seconded by Janise Anthony and unanimously carried that permission be granted to hold an Autism Awareness Walk on Saturday, April 1st at 11:00am, starting at Early Learning Center and ending at Adam Carlson Park. Permission was also granted for the use of Sterling Alexander Center at the non-profit rate.

It was moved by Jonas Fontenette duly seconded by Flo Chatman and unanimously carried that Mayor Willis be granted permission to enter into agreement with Ruth Alleman of A&M Training Group, LLC, contingent upon approval by City Attorney Allan Durand, for 23-24 fiscal year to provide Certified Red Cross Training to City employees in exchange for her use of the pool to hold lifeguard trainings.

Chief Ricky Martin presented Life Saving Award to Cameron Francis for his heroic efforts when he entered a mobile home engulfed in flames to rescue a mother and her children.

It was moved by Carol Frederick duly seconded by Janise Anthony and unanimously carried that the previous pay adjustment for Alicia Zanois be corrected from Sergeant's pay (\$18.01/hr) to PFC (\$17.22/hr). Ms. Zanois's pay was submitted incorrectly on November 21, 2022 when promoted to PFC.

Upon recommendation of Chief Ricky Martin, it was moved by Carol Frederick duly seconded by Janise Anthony and unanimously carried that Deon Gregory be hired as part-time dispatcher with a pay rate of \$9.75/hr.

Upon recommendation of Chief Ricky Martin, it was moved by Carol Frederick duly seconded by Janise Anthony and unanimously carried that Andrew Broussard be hired as Sergeant with a pay grade of \$17.18/hr.

Upon recommendation of Chief Ricky Martin, it was moved by Janise Anthony duly seconded by Flo Chatman and unanimously carried that Quincy Castille be hired as a Non-Posted Certified Police Officer with a pay rate of \$12.83/hr.

Upon recommendation of Mayor Willis, it was moved by Janise Anthony duly seconded by Jonas Anthony and unanimously carried that the hiring of part-time Planning & Zoning Coordinator/Project Manager be tabled.

It was moved by Janise Anthony duly seconded by Carol Frederick and unanimously carried that the City Council go into executive session to discuss possible settlement of threatened litigation with Hutton, LLC over the Urgent Care contract deposit.

The City Council reconvened after executive session upon motion of Janise Anthony duly seconded by Flo Chatman.

Following executive session, City Attorney Allan Durand reported that he brought the Mayor and Council up to date on the threatened litigation by Hutton, LLC over the Urgent Care contract deposit and to discuss possible strategies.

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and City Council, Mayor Willis adjourned the meeting upon motion of Janise Anthony duly seconded by Jonas Fontenette.

JASON WILLIS, MAYOR

ATTEST:

LORRIE M POIRIER, CLERK
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT