



**HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL  
PUBLIC HEARING  
MINUTES  
312 EAST CHARLES STREET  
HAMMOND, LOUISIANA  
October 23rd, 2018  
5:30pm**

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** Council President, Johnny Blount
- II. ROLL CALL:** Johnny Blount (P), Jason Hood (P), Janice Carter Beard (P), Lemar Marshall (P), Mike Williams (A)
- III. PUBLIC HEARING:**

**1. An Ordinance to accept a right of way dedication for an East portion of Hewitt Rd. beginning at S. Magnolia St. to SW Railroad Ave. as shown on survey by Tilden J. Dufrene Jr. (ROW-2018-09-00007) Recommended approval by Planning Commission. Tracie Schillace, presented this item stated this property comes out to Hewiit Road and asking for acceptance of the dedication of that portion of Hewiit Road.**

There were no public comments

**2. An Ordinance to amend UDC Ordinance#14-5364 Article 13.1.10 Temporary signs D) Political Campaign signs (TA-2018-09-00013). CC Gaiennie presented this item informing Council that this was brought to his attention by City Attorney, Andre Coudrain that the wording in the Ordinance violated the rights as elected officials.**

There were no public comments



**HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES  
REGULAR SESSION  
312 EAST CHARLES STREET  
HAMMOND, LOUISIANA  
October 23rd, 2018  
6:00pm Immediately following Public Hearing.**

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** Council President, Johnny Blount
- II. ROLL CALL:** Johnny Blount (P), Jason Hood (P), Janice Carter Beard (P), Lemar Marshall (P), Mike Williams (A)
- III. PRAYER:** Pastor West
- IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** All veterans and active military, please render the proper salute.  
Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard

**V. REPORTS:**

**1. Council: NONE**

**2. Mayor: The Air Show was a great success and will start preparing next week for 2019**

**3. Recognition of New Businesses: NONE**

**VI. Minutes of October 9, 2018: There was a motion by Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard and second by Councilman Jason Hood to approve the minutes of October 9, 2018.**

**Vote: Lemar Marshall (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Johnny Blount (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Mike Williams (A). Motion Approved 4-0**

**VII. RESOLUTIONS**

**A. OLD BUSINESS: NONE**

**B. NEW BUSINESS:**

**1. A resolution to ratify and confirm the appointment of Eric Dosch to the Hammond Downtown Development District Board of Directors, from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2018. Chelsea Tallo, requested to ratify and confirm the appointment of Eric Dosch.**

**There was a motion by Councilman Jason Hood and second by Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard to ratify and confirm the appointment of Eric Dosch to the Hammond Downtown Development District Board of Directors, from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2018.**

**Vote: Lemar Marshall (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Johnny Blount (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Mike Williams (A). Motion Approved 4-0**

**2 A resolution to ratify and confirm the appointment of Paul Jones to the Hammond Downtown Development District Board of Directors, from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2018. Chelsea Tallo, requested to ratify and confirm the appointment of Paul Jones.**

**There was a motion by Councilman Jason Hood and second by Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard to ratify and confirm the appointment of Paul Jones to the Hammond Downtown Development District Board of Directors, from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2018.**

**Vote: Lemar Marshall (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Johnny Blount (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Mike Williams (A). Motion Approved 4-0**

**3. A resolution to ratify and confirm the appointment of Bruce O’Krepki to the Hammond Downtown Development District Board of Directors, from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2018. Chelsea Tallo, requested to ratify and confirm the appointment of Bruce O’Krepki.**

**There was a motion by Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard and second by Councilman Jason Hood to ratify and confirm the appointment of Bruce O’Krepki to the Hammond Downtown Development District Board of Directors, from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2018.**

**Vote: Lemar Marshall (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Johnny Blount (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Mike Williams (A). Motion Approved 4-0**

**4. A resolution to purchase 4 (Four) 2019 Chevy Tahoe’s for the Police Department from Gerry Lane Chevrolet in the amount of \$127,440.44. Jana Thurman informed the Council that the City did reach out to Ross Downing but, they could not come within the 3% differential that was allowed; these are on State Contract and is asking the Council to move forward with the purchase.**

**There was a motion by Councilman Lemar Marshall and second by Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard to purchase 4 (Four) 2019 Chevy Tahoe’s for the Police Department from Gerry Lane Chevrolet in the amount of \$127,440.44**

**Vote: Lemar Marshall (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Johnny Blount (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Mike Williams (A). Motion Approved 4-0**

**5. A resolution to approve the Water & Sewer Department to purchase (4) field hand held meter reading devices, from Coburn's in the amount of \$46,634.66. Jana Thurman, presented this item stated that Badger Meter is the sole manufacture of the hand held meters and Coburn's is the authorized distributor and asking for Council approval to proceed with the purchase.**

**There was a motion by Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard and second by Councilman Jason Hood to approve the Water & Sewer Department to purchase (4) field hand held meter reading devices, from Coburn's in the amount of \$46,634.66.**

**Vote: Lemar Marshall (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Johnny Blount (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Mike Williams (A). Motion Approved 4-0**

**6. A resolution (1) approving Hammond Northshore Regional Airport's 2019–24 Capital Improvement Plan; (2) requesting that the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development's Division of Aviation provide funds required to complete the airport improvements specifically described in the Airport's CIP Application; (3) agreeing to certain assurances related to the preceding; (4) authorizing the Mayor and Hammond City Council President to sign CIP documents; and (5) authorizing the Hammond City Council Clerk to attest to these signatures. David Lobue, stated this is the annual visit for the CIP to the City Council. FAA & State requires a Capital Improvement Plan. The lightening & electric project is at the top of the list.**

**Councilman Lemar Marshall: What stays on the list?**

**David Lobue: Anything that doesn't get funded from the previous years**

**Mayor: acquisition of the acreage of the SE corner was bumped up**

**Councilman Lemar Marshall: asked if there is a local funding part in this plan**

**David Lobue: there is a grant a match for most funding**

**Councilman Jason Hood: asked if the Airport Authority Board was involved in this master plan**

**David Lobue: the Board is consulted on this but, this was not done in a public meeting**

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**Vote to Table: Lemar Marshall (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Johnny Blount (N), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Mike Williams (A). Motion to Table Approved 3-1**

**7. A resolution (1) supporting the submission of a \$3,095,000 Supplemental Appropriation Optional Airport Project Request through the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development's Division of Aviation to replace the aged airfield lighting system at Hammond Northshore Regional Airport; and (2) authorizing the Mayor or his designee to complete and sign request documents. David Lobue, informed the board that there are funds available for this and this authorizes submission of the application and it's a great opportunity for the Airport.**

**There was a motion by Councilman Jason Hood and second by Councilman Lemar Marshall to TABLE A resolution (1) supporting the submission of a \$3,095,000 Supplemental Appropriation Optional Airport Project Request through the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development's Division of Aviation to replace the aged airfield lighting system at Hammond Northshore Regional Airport; and (2) authorizing the Mayor or his designee to complete and sign request documents.**

**Vote to Table: Lemar Marshall (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Johnny Blount (N), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Mike Williams (A). Motion to table Approved 3-1**

**VIII. FINAL ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE:**

1. Final adoption of an Ordinance to accept a right of way dedication for an East portion of Hewitt Rd. beginning at S. Magnolia St. to SW Railroad Ave. as shown on survey by Tilden J. Dufrene Jr. (ROW-2018-09-00007) Recommended approval by Planning Commission. (Tracie Schillace)

There was a motion by Councilman Jason Hood and second by Councilman Lemar Marshall to adopt an Ordinance to accept a right of way dedication for an East portion of Hewitt Rd. beginning at S. Magnolia St. to SW Railroad Ave. as shown on survey by Tilden J. Dufrene Jr. (ROW-2018-09-00007) Recommended approval by Planning Commission.

Vote: Lemar Marshall (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Johnny Blount (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Mike Williams (A). Motion Approved 4-0

2. Final adoption of an Ordinance to amend UDC Ordinance#14-5364 Article 13.1.10 Temporary signs D) Political Campaign signs (TA-2018-09-00013).

There was a motion by Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard and second by Councilman Jason Hood to adopt an Ordinance to amend UDC Ordinance#14-5364 Article 13.1.10 Temporary signs D) Political Campaign signs (TA-2018-09-00013).

Vote: Lemar Marshall (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Johnny Blount (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Mike Williams (A). Motion Approved 4-0

**IX. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE AND SET OF PUBLIC HEARING:**

1. Introduction of an Ordinance to amend Chapter 5 Compensation and Benefits of the City Personnel Policy Rule V-24 regarding Council member travel. Councilman Jason Hood, would like this item presented at the next meeting for a public hearing.

There was a motion by Councilman Lemar Marshall and second by Councilman Jason Hood to introduce an ordinance to amend Chapter 5 Compensation and Benefits of the City Personnel Policy Rule V-24 regarding Council member travel.

Vote: Lemar Marshall (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Johnny Blount (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Mike Williams (A). Motion Approved 4-0

**Public Hearing is set for November 13, 2018**

**IX. ADJOURN:** There was a motion by Councilman Jason Hood and second by Councilman Lemar Marshall to adjourn the meeting. All members were in favor and the meeting was adjourned.

**CERTIFICATION OF CLERK**

I TONIA BANKS, CLERK OF COUNCIL, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE AND FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECITATION OF THE BUSINESS TRANSACTED AT THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL HELD **October 23, 2018** BEING **4 PAGES** IN LENGTH

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**TONIA BANKS**  
**HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL CLERK**

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**PRESIDENT JOHNNY BLOUNT**  
**HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL**