

TOWN OF SLAUGHTER

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MINUTES

**Town of Slaughter
Regular Meeting
July 10, 2018**

- I. **CALL TO ORDER**--The meeting was called to order by Mayor Robert Jackson, who opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m., July 10, 2018 at the Slaughter Town Hall, 3337 Church Street, Slaughter, Louisiana. A quorum was present and due notice was given. Unless otherwise noted all motions passed by unanimous decision of the Board.
- II. **OPENING PROCEDURES**
 1. **ROLL CALL**--The following members were present: Janis Landry, Keith Day, Sheila Fletcher, Roy Corcoran and Liz Aaron
 2. **AMMENDMENTS AND/OR ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**
 - A. **Slaughter Police Chief Dave Almond to discuss the Command Post(trailer).**
 - B. **Ken Drone with Kel-Ar Associates to discuss his status and their contract.**
 - C. **Andy D'Aquila amending personnel ordinance**
Janis Landry made the motion to accept the amendments/additions to the Agenda. Seconded by Roy Corcoran. Motion Passed
- IV. **PLANNING & ZONING:**
 - A. **Jason Vidrine- 1391 Hwy 19 construction of wood shed. Mr. Vidrine answered questions regarding the building/location of his wood shed. Motion by Landry. Second by Fletcher, Motion passed.**
- V. **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - A. **Ken Drone with Kel-Ar Associates discussed with the members what all he was working on, catching up bookkeeping, he has finished May and June. He is preparing monthly reports, will make recommendations regarding policies and procedures at a cost of \$2500 monthly. The contract is currently set for May thru August, but can be re-evaluated as many times as needed. Liz has specific concerns regarding our procedures. Motion by Landry to accept Kel-Ar's contract offer. Second by Fletcher. Motion passed.**
 - B. **Sign Ordinance**—Tim Corcoran was verifying that the new sign for the Elementary School would meet the changes in the ordinance. The proposed sign meets the requirements. No action was necessary.
 - C. **Discussion followed concerning the Retirement Plans available for the Town employees. Shelby Johnson with Congressman Graves' office was in attendance and is going to look into this and will get back with our office with additional information before our decision is made**

regarding the Retirement Plan. Day made a Motion to table the discussion regarding a change in the Plan until we hear back from Congressman Graves' Office. Second by Corcoran. Motion passed.

D. Discussion followed concerning the Town providing gas to Linwood Estates; the initial costs involved versus the gas usage and recurring revenue. Tom Schwartz is going to research this proposal. Motion to table the Linwood Estate proposal until next month's meeting made by Fletcher. Second by Landry. Motion passed.

E. Mayor Robert Jackson asked that the Alderman appoint a Mayor Pro-Tem, as Aimee Bellue held that position and has left it vacant. Day made a motion to appoint Janis Landry as Mayor Pro-Tem. Second by Corcoran. Motion passed.

F. Before Going into the Departmental Reports, Chief Dave Almond wanted to request that the Council approve the hiring of 5 contract employees, at a rate of \$10/hour, to be utilized only when shore-handed. We currently have 3 full-time officers and 1 contract officer. Discussion followed concerning Jeff Sloan's payment as the contract officer. Mr. Sloan currently has 24 hours listed as "reserve work" each pay period and does not receive payment for those hours. The contract officers will use their personal vehicles to get to the station and utilize a unit while on the clock. Motion was made to approve payment to Jeff Sloan for all his hours worked and approval for 5 contract positions (POST Certified) made by Landry. Seconded by Fletcher. Motion passed.

G. Discussion also followed concerning the Command Post trailer and the red Town car. No minimum acceptable bid set for the trailer and a \$500 minimum bid for the car, motion to approve accepting bids for the Command Post and red car made by Day. Seconded by Corcoran. Motion passed.

H. Andy D'Aquilla informed the council that our hiring process needs to be updated. Non-essential employees the Mayor has the right to hire, Department Heads recommend firing an employee who then has an opportunity to appeal to the Board. Landry made a Motion regarding a public hearing for personnel authority. Second by Fletcher. Motion passed.

I. The Fire Department needs an Ordinance regarding call outs/false alarms. Aaron made a Motion for a False Alarm Ordinance to be drawn up. Second by Fletcher. Motion passed.

VI. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

A. Minutes - Motion by Corcoran. Second by Landry. Motion Passed.

B. Maintenance Report-We did hire someone to do the weedeating, Josh Wall. Inmates came and cleaned out ditches. We may need to have them come on a regular basis. Motion by Fletcher. Second by Aaron. Motion Passed.

C. Fire Report- Motion by Aaron. Second by Day. Motion Passed.

D. Police Report- The old cars that are currently being stored at the Police Department, paperwork has been located on two of the cars, still looking for the paperwork on the other two. Motion by Corcoran. Second by Landry. Motion Passed.

E. Clerk's Report— Informational Item Only.

F. Mayor's Report—Mayor Jackson reported to the Council regarding the passing of Town employee Kay Knight.

VII. MOTION TO ADJOURN-Motion by Landry. Second by Aaron. Motion passed.