

City of Ville Platte Special Meeting City Council

126 E. Main Street, Ville Platte, LA
Minutes for June 26, 2020 held at 12:00 PM

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Ville Platte met in a regular session in the Council Chamber in City Hall, 126 E. Main St. Ville Platte, LA on Friday, June 26, 2020 12:00 PM. The Meeting was conducted through Zoom due to the Coronavirus pandemic and in compliance to the Governor's stay at home orders, the City Council meeting will be held online.

The Special Meeting was called to order by Mayor Vidrine.

Mayor ask for a moment of silence for the family of the accident victims and Ms. Shelia Serie, AKA Momma Bulldog.

ATTENDANCE: Mayor Jennifer Vidrine, Councilwoman Faye Lemoine, Councilmen Bryant Riggs, Lionel Anderson, Jerry Joseph and City Clerk Shountilez L. Williams, Police Chief Neal Lartigue, Fire Chief Fabian Poullard, Administrative Secretary Hilda Edwards and City Attorney Eric Lafleur

Absent: Councilmen Donald Sam and Mike Perron

Following the Invocation and Pledge, roll called by Shountilez L. Williams, City Clerk, and announced that a quorum was present. The Mayor and Board of Alderman of the City of Ville Platte were duly convened as the Governing Authority of the City of Ville Platte.

Public Hearing 12:00 PM to 12:15 PM

Public Comments: No Public Comments

Mayor Vidrine announced that the meeting was called to order to approve the Amending Operating Budget for 2019-2020 and adopt the Operating Budget for 2020-2021.

Amended total income is \$11,382, 54. Total Expenses \$11,064,762

The City ended with a surplus of \$327,292.00.

The following amending ordinance was introduced on June 9, 2020 and after a public hearing held on June 26, 2020, on motion of **Councilman Anderson**, and seconded by **Councilwoman Lemoine** the following ordinance was adopted:

Agenda Items:

City Of Ville Platte Budget

062620 No 1 of 2020 "An Ordinance Amending the Operating Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2019 and Ending June 30, 2020"

062620 No 2 of 2020 "An Ordinance Adopting the Operating Budget of Revenues and Expenditures for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2020 ending June 30, 2021"

AN AMENDING ORDINANCE FOR THE OPERATING BUDGET OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR AND BEGINNING JULY 1, 2019 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2020

Ordinance 062620-1 of 2

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen, of the City of Ville Platte, Louisiana in general convened that:

SECTION I. The attached detailed amended estimate of Revenues for Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020, be and the same is hereby adopted, to amend and serve as the Operating Budget of Revenues for the City of Ville Platte, Louisiana during the same periods.

SECTION II. The attached amended estimate of Expenditures by departments for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020, be and the same is hereby adopted

and amended to serve as the budget of expenditures for the City of Ville Platte, Louisiana during the same period.

SECTION III. The adoption of this amending Operating Budget of Expenditures be and the same is hereby declared to operate as an appropriation of the amount therein set forth within the terms of the budget classification.

SECTION IV. Amounts are available for expenditures only to the extent included within the 2018-2019 amended budget.

SECTION V. The Mayor of the City of Ville Platte shall have the authority to make changes within various budget classifications as well as the transfer of funds between departments and funds without approval by the governing authority.

Said amending Ordinance having been introduced on June 9, 2020 and notice of public hearings having been published, said public hearings having been held, the title and contents of the ordinance having been made available to the public and made part of the record, and the amending Ordinance considered, a record vote was taken and the following results were had:

City Council Member	Yea	Nay	Absent	Abstaining
Lemoine, Faye	X			
Anderson, Lionel	X			
Joseph, Jerry	X			
Perron, Mike			X	
Riggs, Bryant	X			
Sam, Donald			X	

Jennifer Vidrine, Mayor

ATTEST:

Shountilez Williams, City Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICITY

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF EVANGELINE

I, Shountilez LaFleur-Williams, City Clerk for the City of Ville Platte, Louisiana, do hereby certify that the above amending Ordinance was adopted by the Board of Aldermen at their special meeting on June 26, 2020.

Shountilez L. Williams
CITY CLERK

The following ordinance was introduced on June 9, 2020 and after a public hearing held on June 26, 2020, on motion of **Councilman Joseph**, and seconded by **Councilwoman Lemoine** the following ordinance was adopted:

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE OPERATING BUDGET OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR AND BEGINNING JULY 1, 2020 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2021

Ordinance 062620-2 of 2

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen, of the City of Ville Platte, Louisiana in general convened that:

SECTION I. The attached detailed estimate of Revenues for Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021, be and the same is hereby adopted to serve as an Operating Budget of Revenues for the City of Ville Platte, Louisiana during the same periods.

SECTION II. The attached estimate of Expenditures by departments for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021, be and the same is hereby adopted to serve as a budget of expenditures for the City of Ville Platte, Louisiana during the same period.

SECTION III. The adoption of this Operating Budget of Expenditures be and the same is hereby declared to operate as an appropriation of the amount therein set forth within the terms of the budget classification.

SECTION IV. Amounts are available for expenditures only to the extent included within the 2019-2020 budget.

SECTION V. The Mayor of the City of Ville Platte shall have the authority to make changes within various budget classifications as well as the transfer of funds between departments and funds without approval by the governing authority.

Said Ordinance having been introduced on June 9, 2020 and notice of public hearings having been published, said public hearings having been held, the title and contents of the ordinance having been made available to the public and made part of the record, and the Ordinance considered, a record vote was taken and the following results were had:

City Council Member	Yea	Nay	Absent	Abstaining
Lemoine, Faye	X			
Anderson, Lionel	X			
Joseph, Jerry	X			
Perron, Mike			X	
Riggs, Bryant	X			
Sam, Donald			X	

Jennifer Vidrine, Mayor

ATTEST:

Shountilez Williams, City Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICITY

**STATE OF LOUISIANA
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I, **Shountilez LaFleur-Williams**, City Clerk for the City of Ville Platte, Louisiana, do hereby certify that the above Ordinance was adopted by the Board of Aldermen at their special meeting on June 26, 2020.

Shountilez L. Williams
CITY CLERK

2. Girls-Boys Club vehicles-correct registration error on paperwork

It was moved by Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilwoman Lemoine to authorize Mayor Vidrine to make the name changes on the titles from City of Ville Platte to Ville Platte Girls-Boys Place for the 2008 Ford Expedition Vin# 1FMFU15538LA78237 and 2009 Ford Gray Eclipse, Vin#1FMCU02749KC79865. **All in favor, motion carried.**

The Vehicles were purchased and paid by the Ville Platte Girls-Boys Place; they were titled as owned by the City of Ville Platte. All paperwork was presented to the Council for verification.

3. Street Dept. Employee Criteria

Mayor Vidrine recommended that the city suspend the requirement of a high school diploma for the street department hiring only until further notice.

It was moved by Councilman Joseph and seconded by Councilman Anderson to approve suspending the requirement of a high school diploma for the hiring with Street Department only until further notice; all other departments will remain the same. **All in favor, motion approved.**

4. Curfew Hours

After some discussion of the curfew hours, Councilwoman Lemoine recommended that the curfew changes from 11:00 PM to 5:00 AM for adults and businesses and the curfew for minors will remain the same; it was seconded by Councilman Riggs. All in favor, motion carried.

Ordinance

1. ORDINANCE TO SELL PROPERTY OF THE CITY OF VILLE PLATTE IN ACCORDANCE WITH LA. R.S. 33: 4712 An Ordinance approving the sale of immovable property of the City of Ville, namely the Dossman Street property in the Eloi E. Demourelle Subdivision

See attachment for Ordinance:

Councilman Anderson introduced the Ordinance to sell the property on Dossman Street. A Public Hearing will be held at 4:45 on July 14, 2020 to hear comments from the public on the sale of the property.

It was moved Councilman Joseph to approve the introduction of the ordinance on the sale of Dossman Street property, seconded by Councilman Riggs. All in favor, motion carried.

Mayor's Comments:

The City will notify renters that the Civic Center and the Martin Luther King Center will not be available for rental and all deposits will be refunded and any other payments that may have been made.

With no further business, it was moved by Councilman Joseph and seconded by Councilman Anderson to adjourn. Time 12:36 PM

Attest:

Shountilez L. Williams, City Clerk

Approval:

Jennifer Vidrine, Mayor