

CITY OF PINEVILLE, LOUISIANA
PUBLIC HEARING & COUNCIL MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
APRIL 11, 2023 – 6:00 P.M.
MINUTES

Mayor Rich Dupree and the Council of the City of Pineville, Louisiana, met in regular session on Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the City Hall, 910 Main Street, Pineville, Louisiana

1. Mayor Dupree called the meeting to order.
2. Upon the invitation of Councilman Martin, Reverend Kyle Martin, the founder of Time to Revive ministries out of Dallas TX, gave the invocation.
3. Councilman Bouchie led the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. Roll Call Present: District 1 Councilwoman Mary Galloway
 District 2 Councilman Kevin Dorn
 District 3 Councilwoman Christy Frederic
 District 4 Councilman Tom Bouchie
 District 5 Councilman Nathan Martin
 Absent: None
5. A motion was made by Councilman Bouchie and seconded by Councilman Martin to accept the minutes of the March 14, 2023, regular meeting as published. The floor was opened for public comment. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.
6. A motion was made by Councilman Dorn and seconded by Councilwoman Frederic to accept the financial report as read by Finance Director David Humphries. The floor was opened for public comment. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.
7. Mayor Dupree recognized Pineville Police Officers Lacy Fields and Lance Williams for their recent promotions to the rank of sergeant.
8. A motion was made by Councilwoman Frederic and seconded by Councilman Bouchie to approve a resolution authorizing and approving execution of an equipment – lease purchase agreement with Cadence Equipment Finance, a division of Cadence Bank, for one(1) Freightliner M2-106 Truck with Petersen TL3 Lightning Loader. The floor was opened for public comment.
 - Chief of Staff, Doug Gann, explained the lead time to receive this item is currently set for May 5, 2023.On vote, the motion carried unanimously.
9. A motion was made by Councilman Dorn and seconded by Councilman Martin to approve a resolution authorizing and approving execution of an equipment – lease purchase agreement with Cadence Equipment Finance, a division of Cadence Bank, for two (2) Freightliner M2-106 Trucks with Heil Durapack 500 Rear Loader. The floor was opened for public comment.
 - Mr Gann explained these two trucks are garbage trucks and the previous agenda item was for a trash truck. The garbage trucks will probably arrive about 3-weeks after the trash truck.On vote, the motion carried unanimously.
10. A motion was made by Councilwoman Galloway and seconded by Councilwoman Frederic to approve a resolution authorizing the Mayor to serve notice to the property owners of 206 & 208 Lakeview Street and schedule a public hearing for condemnation. The floor was opened for public comment.
 - Mayor Dupree explained this structure is burned and we are having problems with the occupation of non-owners.On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

11. A motion was made by Councilman Dorn and seconded by Councilman Bouchie to table the hearing for consideration of adopting an ordinance to amend and modify the Code of Ordinances relative to Section 24-19, to correct typographical errors referring to the wrong Appendix. The floor was opened for public comment. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

12. A motion was made by Councilman Bouchie and seconded by Councilman Dorn to table the hearing for consideration of adopting an ordinance to amend and modify the Code of Ordinances relative to Appendix D, to increase the fee for daily rental and add a fee for weekend rental of Buhlow Lake facilities. The floor was opened for public comment. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

13. A motion was made by Councilman Bouchie and seconded by Councilwoman Galloway to introduce and accept for publication an ordinance amending and modifying the Code of Ordinances relative to Section 24-19, to allow the Mayor to establish rental rates and fees for use of City of Pineville facilities. The floor was opened for public comment. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

14. A motion was made by Councilwoman Galloway and seconded by Councilman Dorn to approve a resolution declaring the following item as surplus for the purpose of selling, donating, auctioning or disposing of as necessary.

2010	Ford Crown Vic	2FABP7BV2AX110787
2010	Ford Crown Vic	2FABP7BV5AX106488
2012	Ford Expedition	1FMJU1F5XCEF16886
2014	Ford Interceptor	1FAHP2KM1EG129584
2014	Ford Interceptor	1FAHP2MK8EG129582
2016	Ford Interceptor	1FAHP2MK6GG141927
2017	Ford Interceptor	1FM5K8AR0HGA77025
2017	Ford Interceptor	1FM5K8AR6HGA77028
2011	Chevrolet Impala	2G1WB5EK0B1105021

The floor was opened for public comment. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

15. A motion was made by Councilwoman Frederic and seconded by Councilman Bouchie to approve a resolution to accept the contract of Vapor Industries LLC, for the project entitled Sludge Removal and Disposal Services at Aerated Lagoon Wastewater Treatment Plant (2nd Phase of Multiphase Program), as "Substantially Complete". The floor was opened for public comment.

- Mayor Dupree explained this has been an ongoing project required by the Department of Environmental Quality to remove "years and years" worth of sludge from the lagoon that had built up. The City spent close to \$500K on this project to meet the requirements of DEQ.

On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

16. A motion was made by Councilman Bouchie and seconded by Councilman Dorn to approve a resolution to accept the contract of Williams Equipment Services LLC, for the project entitled Pinecrest Drive and Lofton Drive Asphalt Roadway Improvements, as "Substantially Complete".

The floor was opened for public comment.

- Mayor Dupree explained this project cost around \$500K. This was more than just an overlay...the company had to rebuild the base of the road. He expressed appreciation to our Rapides Parish Police Juror, Bubba Moreau, for assisting us in obtaining half the cost from the Police Jury.

On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

17. A motion was made by Councilman Martin and seconded by Councilwoman Frederic to approve a resolution to award the contract for the project entitled Susek/Pinehurst Drive Sewer Pump Stations and Force Main Upgrades and authorize the Mayor to execute contracts, change orders and other documents related to the project between the City and the selected Bidder.

The floor was opened for public comment.

- City Engineer, Mr. Tom David, explained that as the City has grown over the years, we have connected new subdivisions to this 4-inch sewer force main traveling down Susek Drive and into the Indian Hills areas. Now with the continued development in that area of the City, the sewer force main and servicing pump stations are overloaded. This project replaces overloaded pump stations with larger ones and adds new pump stations, along with replacing the sewer force mains with larger ones in the area.
- Mayor Dupree announced the contract is being awarded to Womack & Sons Construction Group LLC, for just over \$2.46M, which is below the projected engineer's estimate of \$2.5M.

On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

18. A motion was made by Councilwoman Frederic and seconded by Councilwoman Galloway to approve a resolution authorizing the Mayor to utilize up to \$700,000 of American Rescue Plan Act funding to match additional State funding of \$1,661.450 for the Huffman Creek Pump Station and Outfall Project under the Louisiana Watershed Projects Grants Program.

The floor was opened for public comment.

- Mr. David explained the State initially awarded the City \$5.2M for this project. The total cost came in significantly over budget, so the City went back to the State to request additional grant funding. The City agreed to put up the matching funds in order to receive the additional monies.
- Mayor Dupree explained this project is an opportunity for a major improvement to this pump station that services about a third of the City with pushing drainage water out and into the Red River.

On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

19. A motion was made by Councilman Dorn and seconded by Councilman Bouchie to approve a resolution authorizing the Mayor to negotiate and enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Rapides Parish Police Jury for working jointly on various public works projects.

The floor was opened for public comment. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

20. A motion was made by Councilman Dorn and seconded by Councilwoman Galloway to approve a resolution to award the contract for the project entitled Cedar Lake Pump Station Reconstruction and authorize the Mayor to execute contracts, change orders and other documents related to the project between the City and the selected Bidder.

The floor was opened for public comment.

- Mr. David explained this project came in way over bid years ago, so we had to put it on hold until we could find a program to start it. We had the opportunity to apply for grant funding through the Water Sector Program and was awarded the funding. The engineer's estimate was \$5.8M.
- Mayor Dupree announced the contract is being awarded to Dixie Overland Construction LLC, for just over \$5.33M.

On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

The floor was opened for public comment and the following was heard:

- Mayor Dupree welcomed Interim Fire Chief, Ricky Dean, to his first Council Meeting as such.
- Mayor Dupree announced the opening of the new turf fields at Pineville's Ward 9 Sportsplex on Donahue Ferry Road, with a ceremony on April 15th at 11:30am.
- Special Events Coordinator, Madonna LeBlanc, made the following announcements:
 - 5th Saturday Market on Main will take place on April 29th from 9am - 2pm. We have just over 40 vendors registered to participate. This event will include a crawfish cookoff, antique car show and pony buggy rides for children among other family friendly activities.
 - As part of the "Love the Boot Cleanup" campaign, we will have the Keep Pineville Beautiful event on April 22nd.

- National Boat Racing Association races at Buhlow Lake April 16-24.
- Dragon Boat Races at Buhlow Lake May 1-6.
- Fireworks over Buhlow on July 3rd.
- Mayor Dupree added to the Boat Race announcement to take place on the weekend of April 22nd. This is a double sanctioned event by two national boat racing associations with over 300 boats entered in the competition. This is the kick-off event for their 7-state tour and the biggest race on that tour. That Friday night there will be a free concert sponsored by Leebo's and Lance Harris Companies, featuring Avery Michaels and Exit 209.

There being no further business to come before the Council, a motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Martin and seconded by Councilwoman Galloway at 6:48pm. On vote, the motion carried unanimously. Mr. Gann closed the meeting with the benediction.



Rich Dupree, Mayor



Chris Workman, City Clerk

CERTIFICATE

I, Chris Workman, Clerk for the City of Pineville, Louisiana, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing constitutes a true and correct record of the official action taken at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Pineville, Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana, in legal session convened, on the 11th day of April, 2023.



Chris Workman, City Clerk