



**HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING
MINUTES
312 EAST CHARLES STREET
HAMMOND, LOUISIANA
November 17, 2015
5:30pm**

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** Councilman President Mike Williams
The Public Hearing was called to order by President Williams at 5:35pm
- II. ROLL CALL:** Johnny Blount (P), Jason Hood (P), Janice Carter Beard (P), Lemar Marshall (P), Mike Williams (P)
- III. PUBLIC HEARING:**

1. An ordinance for Council to approve surplus for the following vehicle(s) and Items listed below to sell on GovDeals.com: (Ernest Peters)

- Unit 487 – 2000 Dodge Ram 3500 – VIN# 3B6MC36511M241405
- Unit 453 – 1999 Kawasaki Green Mule – VIN# JK1AFBC17KB509823
- Unit 336 – 1995 Ditch Witch Trencher – Serial # 3L115314542
- Seize Vehicle – 1999 Infiniti Q45 – VIN# JNKBY31A9XM01323
- Seize Vehicle – 1996 Black Chevrolet Impala – VIN# 1G1BL52P5TR15
- Seize Vehicle – 2003 Cadillac – VIN# 1GY3C63T43R253399
- Unit 742 - 2008 Crown Vic. - VIN# 2FAFP71VO8X160973
- Unit 631 – 2006 Crown Vic. – VIN# FAFP71WX6X141935

Ernest Peters, presented this item and stated that these are items that are surplus and to be sold on GovDeals.com.

There were no public comments



**HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
REGULAR SESSION
312 EAST CHARLES STREET
HAMMOND, LOUISIANA**

6:00 PM or immediately following public hearing.

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** Councilman President Mike Williams
Regular session was called to order by President Mike Williams at 5:40pm.
- II. ROLL CALL:** Johnny Blount (P), Jason Hood (P), Janice Carter Beard (P), Lemar Marshall (P), Mike Williams (P)
- III. PRAYER:** Ernest Peters
- IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** All veterans and active military, please render the proper salute.

Chief John Thomas

- V. REPORTS:**

1. **Council:** Councilwomen Janice Carter Beard informed the council that Pastor Terrence Lee had questions concerning the project on Club Deluxe Road and invited him to bring those concerns to the Council. **Pastor Terrence Lee, Second Rosehill Baptist Church, 15651 Club Deluxe Road, Hammond La., stated his concern over the City's agreement with the Parish for mitigation of loss of property along Club Deluxe Road.**

Director of Administration, Lacy Landrum, informed Pastor Lee that this is a Parish project and that the Parish is handling this project.

Chuck Spangler, City Engineer, Informed Pastor Lee that this his church is in the city limits, and the road is being built in the City along existing rights of way; the other portions of Club Deluxe Road outside of the City limits is being handled by the Parish.

Director of Administration, Lacy Landrum agreed to provide Pastor Lee with a copy of the agreement between the City and the Parish for the Club Deluxe Road project.

Councilman Lemar Marshall, stated Hammond Junior High Beta Club hosted the quiz bowl and took 1st place in their district. He stated that Healthy Fest was successful and was held at the Hammond Recreational Center this past weekend. **Councilman Marshall** stated his concerns on speed bumps that are an issue in certain neighborhoods. He asked the administration to come up with guidelines for speed bumps so there can be consistency throughout the City.

Chuck Spangler, City Engineer, stated the National Highway Safety has guidelines and they do not recommend speed bumps because of safety and speed bumps inhibit first responders and ambulances.

Mayor Pete Panepinto said he would discuss the issue with first responders and Acadian ambulance.

2. **Mayor:** Construction of Pine Hill Sewer line is progressing, good news on health insurance will be discussed later in the meeting, Kaboom gave \$15,000 grant for a park playground and it will be placed in North Oaks Park, Zemurray pond aerators are in place.

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

VI. **Minutes of November 3rd, 2015,** After review it was motioned by Jason Hood and seconded by Janice Carter Beard to approve the **Minutes of November 3rd, 2015.**

Vote: (Y) Johnny Blount, (Y) Jason Hood, (Y) Janice Carter Beard, (Y) Lemar Marshall, (Y) Mike Williams

5-0 Motion Approved

VII. **RESOLUTIONS**

A. **OLD BUSINESS: NONE**

B. **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **A resolution approving an \$8, 462.05 increase grant matching funds, to come from fire millage, to harden and retrofit Hammond Fire Station #2 (Project 31410). Charles Borchers IV, Grants Director,** presented this item and stated increasing dollar amount to meet the match by using some funds from the fire millage for fire station #2. He recommended approval.

There was a motion by Jason Hood and seconded by Johnny Blount to approve an \$8, 462.05 increase grant matching funds, to come from fire millage, to harden and retrofit Hammond Fire Station #2 (Project 31410).

Vote: (Y) Jonny Blount, (Y) Jason Hood, (Y) Janice Carter Beard, (Y) Lemar Marshall, (Y) Mike Williams
5-0 Motion Approved

2. **A resolution approving a \$12, 652.95 increase in grant matching funds, to come from fire millage, to harden and retrofit Hammond Fire Station #5 (Project 31411).**

Charles Borchers IV, Grants Director, presented this item and stated their increasing dollar amount to meet the match by using some funds from the fire millage for fire station #5. He recommended approval.

There was a motion by Janice Carter Beard and seconded by Lemar Marshall to approve a \$12, 652.95 increase in grant matching funds, to come from fire millage, to harden and retrofit Hammond Fire Station #5 (Project 31411).

Vote: (Y) Jonny Blount, (Y) Jason Hood, (Y) Janice Carter Beard, (Y) Lemar Marshall, (Y) Mike Williams
5-0 Motion Approved

3. A resolution to accept the proposed health insurance plan for calendar year 2015.

Henry Powell, presented this item and stated that benefits for the City is up for renewal and a new plan has been proposed with United Healthcare AF9N w/ Tf-INT with a higher deductible which will be \$2,500 In- Network -single option plan. He also stated a committee of City employees was used to meet and provide concerns and wishes, and a survey of all city employees was also conducted. The city savings is over \$425,000 from the last year premiums. Life insurance is the same, but there is an increase in benefits. Dental insurance has higher benefits but, reduced cost.

The Mayor thanked Henry Powell for his work.

There was a motion by Janice Carter Beard and seconded by Jason Hood to accept the proposed health Insurance plan for calendar year 2015.

Vote: (Y) Jonny Blount, (Y) Jason Hood, (Y) Janice Carter Beard, (Y) Lemar Marshall, (Y) Mike Williams

5-0 Motion Approved

VIII. FINAL ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE:

1. Final adoption of an ordinance for Council to approve surplus for the following vehicle(s) and Items listed below to sell on GovDeals.com: (Ernest Peters)

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5-0 Motion Approved

IX. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE AND SET OF PUBLIC HEARING: NONE

X. ADJOURN: There was a motion by Jason Hood and seconded by Janice Carter Beard 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 **November 17, 2015.**
BEING 3 PAGES IN LENGTH

TONIA BANKS, HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL CLERK

MIKE WILLIAMS, HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT