

**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF THIBODAUX  
CITY HALL  
THIBODAUX, LOUISIANA  
NOVEMBER 4, 2008**

The City Council of the City of Thibodaux assembled in regular session at its regular meeting place, City Hall, 310 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Thibodaux, Louisiana, on Tuesday, November 4, 2008 at 5:00 o'clock P.M.

There were present: Councilmen Hebert, Richard, Taylor, Centanni and Mire.

There were also present: Mayor Charles Caillouet and Germaine Jackson.

The minutes of the October 21, 2008 Council Meeting were approved as written.

Councilman Hebert introduced the Appropriation Ordinance for the Year 2009.

On motion of Councilman Richard, seconded by Councilman Taylor, the Council voted to hold the Public Hearing for this ordinance at a special meeting on Tuesday, December 2, 2008 immediately after adjourning the regular meeting to be held at 5:00 P.M. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Councilmen Hebert, Richard, Taylor, Centanni, Mire  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: None  
ABSENT: None

Councilman Richard introduced an ordinance to amend and re-enact Article V of the Thibodaux Zoning Ordinance. The Public Hearing for this ordinance will be held at the next Council Meeting on Tuesday, November 18, 2008.

The Grants Director informed the Council Administrator that due to the City Council's approval to surplus the Dixie Glass Building, the City must now have the building appraised in order to negotiate a sale of the building. The cost of the appraisal is in the amount of \$1,200.

On motion of Councilman Taylor, seconded by Councilman Hebert, the Council voted to adopt a resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign a Professional Services Agreement with Craig E. Stanga for the appraisal of the Dixie Glass Building. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Councilmen Hebert, Richard, Taylor, Centanni, Mire  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: None  
ABSENT: None

***RESOLUTION NO. 1394***

***A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO  
SIGN AN PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT  
WITH CRAIG E. STANGA, REALTY APPRAISER***

***BE IT RESOLVED*** by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux in regular session assembled, that:

***WHEREAS***, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 2416 on August 19,

2008 declaring the Dixie Glass Building property owned by the City of Thibodaux as surplus and subject to sale; and

*WHEREAS*, in order to sell real property owned by the City, an appraisal of the property must be done to obtain the current value of the property; and

*WHEREAS*, the Mayor has selected Craig E. Stanga, Realty Appraiser to prepare the appraisal of the Dixie Glass Building property; and

*WHEREAS*, it is necessary to execute a professional services contract with the said company for the services to be rendered.

*NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED* by the City Council that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to execute a professional services contract with Craig E. Stanga, Realty Appraiser for the appraisal of the City of Thibodaux's Dixie Glass Building property.

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED* that a copy of the said agreement is attached hereto as "Exhibit A" and thereby made a part hereof.

The above resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

**YEAS: Councilmen Hebert, Richard, Taylor, Centanni, Mire**  
**NAYS: None**  
**ABSTAIN: None**  
**ABSENT: None**

And the above resolution was declared adopted this 4th day of November 2008.

/s/ Jennifer Morvant  
Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm.

/s/ Chad J. Mire  
Chad J. Mire, President

The Public Works Director informed the Council Administrator that the Mayor has requested that Badeaux Engineers prepare an engineering contract for your consideration which would authorize the design of the Thibodaux Water Plant No. 3 Modifications Project. This project includes filter to waste piping changes as the base bid with new filter valve control panel improvements as an alternate to be accepted if funds are available.

This project has an estimated project cost of \$231,000.00 for the base bid, and an additional \$125,000.00 for the alternate. In accordance with the provisions of the proposed engineering contract, the City would pay engineering fees based on the Schedule of Fees included in the proposed contract.

Councilman Centanni and Mire questioned Mr. Badeaux on issues concerning the project and the contract. Mr. Badeaux addressed the Council explaining the terms of both the contract and the scope of the project.

On motion of Councilman Taylor, seconded by Councilman Hebert, the Council voted to adopt a resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign an engineering contract with Badeaux Engineers for the Thibodaux Water Plant #3 - Phase 1 Project. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

**YEAS: Councilmen Hebert, Richard, Taylor, Centanni, Mire**  
**NAYS: None**  
**ABSTAINED: None**  
**ABSENT: None**

**RESOLUTION NO. 1395**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR  
TO SIGN AN ENGINEERING CONTRACT WITH  
BADEAUX ENGINEERS FOR THE DESIGN OF  
THE WATER PLANT #3 MODIFICATIONS -  
PHASE 1 PROJECT**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux in regular session assembled, that:

**WHEREAS**, the City is planning to construct improvements to the Thibodaux Water Plant No. 3; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor has selected Badeaux Engineers, Inc. to perform the design and supervise the construction of the said project; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to execute a contract with the said engineering firm for the services to be rendered in conjunction with this project.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to execute an engineering contract with Badeaux Engineering, Inc. for the design of the Thibodaux Water Plant No. 3 Modifications-Phase 1 Project.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of the said contract is attached hereto as "Exhibit A" and thereby made a part hereof.

The above resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

**YEAS: Councilmen Hebert, Richard, Taylor, Centanni, Mire**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSTAIN: None**

**ABSENT: None**

And the above resolution was declared adopted this 4th day of November 2008.

/s/ Jennifer Morvant  
Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm.

/s/ Chad J. Mire  
Chad J. Mire, President

The Human Resources Director informed the Council Administrator that the Mayor wishes to establish an Employee Assistance Program for all City of Thibodaux employees. This program would offer confidential services to employees and their immediate family with personal problems including medical, chemical dependency and psychiatric services.

The program will be administered by Hidalgo Health Associates for a monthly fee of \$3.50 per employee. This cost will be completely paid by the City, with no additional costs to the employee.

Mr. Byron Landry and Jim Stentz addressed the Council in regards to questions concerning the terms of the contract administered by Hidalgo Health Associates. The Mayor also explained that the contract would be evaluated on a yearly basis in regards to employee participation.

On motion of Councilman Richard, seconded by Councilman Mire, the Council voted to adopt a resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign a contract with

Hidalgo Health Associates for an Employee Assistance Program. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

**YEAS: Councilmen Hebert, Richard, Taylor, Centanni, Mire**  
**NAYS: None**  
**ABSTAINED: None**  
**ABSENT: None**

***RESOLUTION NO. 1396***

***A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO  
SIGN AN PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT  
WITH HIDALGO HEALTH ASSOCIATES***

***BE IT RESOLVED*** by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux in regular session assembled, that:

***WHEREAS***, it is the City's goal and responsibility to provide a safe, productive, profitable and collegial work environment; and

***WHEREAS***, the City's Administration recognizes that employee personal problems can and do affect job performance; and

***WHEREAS***, the Mayor has elected to establish an Employee Assistance Program with Hidalgo Health Associates to assist employees with personal problems including medical, chemical dependency and psychiatric services; and

***WHEREAS***, it is necessary to execute a professional services contract with the said company for the services to be rendered.

***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED*** by the City Council that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to execute a professional services contract with Hidalgo Health Associates for the administration of the City of Thibodaux's Employee Assistance Program.

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*** that a copy of the said agreement is attached hereto as "Exhibit A" and thereby made a part hereof.

The above resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

**YEAS: Councilmen Hebert, Richard, Taylor, Centanni, Mire**  
**NAYS: None**  
**ABSTAIN: None**  
**ABSENT: None**

And the above resolution was declared adopted this 4th day of November 2008.

/s/ Jennifer Morvant  
Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm.

/s/ Chad J. Mire  
Chad J. Mire, President

The City Council held a Condemnation Hearing for the property located at 1711 C Canal Boulevard on August 5, 2008. The property owners, Ms. Martha Flakes and Glenn Flakes appeared before the Council and stated that they would like to receive an extension of time in order to demolish the property and remove all debris. The Council allowed the owner's ninety (90) days to complete the demolition and asked them to re-appear at today's meeting to provide a status report on the demolition.

The property owners appeared before the Council and stated that they could not raise the money needed for improvements to the property as requested. The Council, Mayor, and City Attorney explained that they would have to move forward with the condemnation of the property. They also explained to the property owners the procedure that would take place in the condemnation of the property.

On motion of Councilman Taylor, seconded by Councilman Hebert, the Council agreed to proceed with the condemnation of the aforesaid property. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

**YEAS:** Councilmen Hebert, Richard, Taylor, Centanni, Mire  
**NAYS:** None  
**ABSTAINED:** None  
**ABSENT:** None

The Grants Director informed the Council Administrator that the Louisiana Highway Safety Commission has awarded the City funding through the Statewide FY 2009 Fatal and Injury Crash Reduction Effort.

The total grant is in the amount of \$10,000.00 to be used to purchase equipment and for overtime costs by the Thibodaux Police Department to reduce fatal and injury crashes within the City of Thibodaux.

On motion of Councilman Hebert, seconded by Councilman Centanni, the Council voted to adopt an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to sign a grant agreement with the Louisiana Highway Safety Commission. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

**YEAS:** Councilmen Hebert, Richard, Taylor, Centanni, Mire  
**NAYS:** None  
**ABSTAINED:** None  
**ABSENT:** None

*ORDINANCE NO. 2426*

*AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN  
A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE LOUISIANA HIGHWAY SAFETY  
COMMISSION*

*BE IT ORDAINED* by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux in regular session assembled, that:

*WHEREAS*, the City has applied for grant funds through the Louisiana Highway Safety Commission (LHSC) statewide FY 2009 Fatal and Injury (F&I) Crash Reduction Effort; and

*WHEREAS*, the said commission has awarded a grant to the City in the amount of \$10,000.00 for equipment and overtime to be used by the Thibodaux Police Department in an effort to reduce fatal and injury crashes on Louisiana Roadways within the City of Thibodaux; and

*WHEREAS*, it is necessary to execute an agreement with the Louisiana Highway Safety Commission for the grant mentioned hereinbefore.

*NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED* by the City Council that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to execute a grant agreement with the Louisiana Highway Safety Commission.

*BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED* that a copy of the said agreement is attached hereto as "Exhibit A" and thereby made a part hereof.

**The above ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:**

**YEAS: Councilmen Hebert, Richard, Taylor, Centanni, Mire**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSTAIN: None**

**ABSENT: None**

**And the above ordinance was declared adopted this 4th day of November 2008.**

**/s/ Jennifer Morvant  
Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm.**

**/s/ Chad J. Mire  
Chad J. Mire, President**

**There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.**

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**Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm.**

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**Chad J. Mire, President**