



**TOWN OF PEARL RIVER
COUNCIL MEETING
March 19, 2024, at 7:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER:

The Council Meeting was held at the Pearl River Town Hall and called to order by Mayor Lee at 7:00 p.m.

INVOCATION:

The Invocation was given by Alderman Galloway.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Lee.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Alderman Phillips, Franatovich, Moray, Galloway and Schultheis, along with Mayor Lee and Attorney Tim Mathison; Chief Sessions (Absent) representing the Pearl River Police Department is Capt David Dean.

Special Guests –

Pete Rudesill - Representing “A Soliders Journey Home” gave a detailed presentation on the housing program for veterans with disabilities. This years recipient is Sgt. Ryan Major.

Tracy Larsen-Jordan and students spoke about the importance of having a school mascot and what it means to them.

Mrs. Waller – Rescheduled

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mayor Lee called for the approval of the minutes for the February 20, 2024, Council Meeting. Alderman Phillips, made the motion to accept, seconded by Alderman Franatovich. Mayor Lee called for a roll call vote; Alderman Phillips, Yea; Alderman Franatovich, Yea; Alderman Moray, Yea; Alderman Galloway, Yea; Alderman Schultheis, Yea. **All in favor, So moved.**

Mayor Lee called for the approval of minutes for the January 30, 2024, Special Council Meeting. Alderman Schultheis, made the motion to accept, seconded by Alderman Phillips. Mayor Lee called for a roll call vote; Alderman Phillips, Yea; Alderman Franatovich, Yea; Alderman Moray, Yea; Alderman Galloway, Yea; Alderman Schultheis, Yea. **All in favor, So moved.**

Ordinance Introduction – Ordinance No. 24-03-19 – 2023 Final Budget

There will be a Public Hearing on this Ordinance on April 16, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall

6. Resolutions –

a. Resolution R 24-02-01 approving the Final Plat for The Oaks At Taylor Farm subdivision. Alderman Schultheis made a motion to accept; seconded by Alderman Moray. Mayor Lee called for a roll call vote. **All in Favor. So Moved**

b. Resolution 24-03-01 appointing Jacob Walsdorf to the Recreation District No. 5 Board. Alderman Galloway made a motion to accept; seconded by Alderman Moray. Mayor Lee called for a roll call vote. **All in Favor. So Moved**

7. Public Hearings –

- a. Ordinance No. 24-02-20 (A) – An ordinance relative to R-1-B Waterway Single Family Residential Zone
- b. Ordinance No. 24-02-20 (B) – An ordinance relative to B-2 Highway Business Zone
- c. Ordinance No. 24-02-20 (C) – An ordinance relative to M-1 Light Industrial Zone
- d. Ordinance No. 24-02-20 (D) – An ordinance relative to M-2 Heavy Industrial Zone
- e. Ordinance No. 24-02-20 (E) – An ordinance relative to R-1 Single Family Residential Zone
- f. Ordinance No. 24-02-20 (F) – An ordinance relative to R-1-A Single Family Residential Zone
- g. Ordinance No. 24-02-20 (G) – An ordinance relative to R-3 Multi-Family Residential Zone
- h. Ordinance No. 24-03-11 – Residential and Commercial Tree ordinance

A motion was made by Alderman Galloway to table the following Public Hearings until June 18, 2024; seconded by Alderman Phillips.

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 - d. Ordinance No. 24-02-20 (D) – An ordinance relative to M-2 Heavy Industrial Zone
 - e. Ordinance No. 24-02-20 (E) – An ordinance relative to R-1 Single Family Residential Zone
 - f. Ordinance No. 24-02-20 (F) – An ordinance relative to R-1-A Single Family Residential Zone
 - g. Ordinance No. 24-02-20 (G) – An ordinance relative to R-3 Multi-Family Residential Zone.
- Mayor Lee called for a roll call vote. **All in Favor. So Moved**

Public Hearing

Ordinance No. 24-03-11 – Residential and Commercial Tree ordinance

This ordinance will apply to new developments and will require a tree survey.

Alderman Phillips, made a motion to accept; seconded by Alderman Franatovich. Mayor Lee called for a roll call vote; Alderman Phillips, Yea; Alderman Franatovich, Yea; Alderman Moray, Yea; Alderman Galloway, Yea; Alderman Schultheis, Yea. **All in favor, So moved.**

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS & REPORTS – Mayor Lee: The Town clean up was a big success. We had a great turn out thanks to the hard work of Brian Phillips as well as to Jubilee for providing all the food for lunch for all the volunteers and the Lions Club for preparing it.. As always thanks to the Planning and Zoning Commission for all their hard work as well as The Towns Street crew. Thanks to Maria Lee for stuffing over 4000 Easter eggs for the Annual Easter Egg Hunt this Saturday 03/23/2024 beginning at 10:00 AM. Construction will also begin on the new gazebo in the park.

LEGISLATIVE COMMENTS & REPORTS – Alderman Schultheis; Thank Magistrate Daigle for his 10 years of service as well as all employees that have served the town for more than 10 years of service. Thanks to Councilman David Cogle for his assistance in getting the house cleaned up on Spur 41; Alderman Galloway sent thanks out to 1st Baptist church, Chris at Jubilee and Connie Cares for their help in the Easter Egg Hunt; Alderman Moray would also like to acknowledge Chris at Jubilee as well as the Donut Palace for providing breakfast for the Town clean up. Alderman Phillips; please keep the Blackwell family in your prayers. Pastor Waller with the 1st Baptist church will be moving to Georgia. There will be farewell get together on the 24th of March at 6:00 pm

POLICE CHIEF COMMENTS & REPORTS – Chief Sessions:
Capt. David Dean gave the February 2024 monthly report: See attached for complete report.

FIRE DISTRICT 11 – CHIEF DOCKERY – See attached for complete report.

RECREATION DISTRICT #5 – TARA JIMENEZ No Representative

PARISH COUNCIL DISTRICT #9 – DAVID COUGLE: Discussed upcoming changes in legislation and projects going on through the Parish; Capt Dean stated that sex offenders that live within a municipality with a police dept will also be required to register within the Town as well as the Sheriff's office.

SCHOOL BOARD – MIKE PETERSON: No Representative

PLANNING & ZONING – SKIP PHILLIPS: No Report at this time.

**CD's available to purchase.
MEETING ADJOURNED
AT 8:20 P.M.**

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED THE 16th DAY OF APRIL 2024


Honorable Joe D. Lee


Maude Griffis, Town Clerk



PEARL RIVER POLICE DEPARTMENT

Jack Sessions, Chief of Police

The Month of February

Total Calls Handled: 1915

Open Investigations: 5

Notable Arrest

On February 12, a Pearl River Police Officer conducted a traffic stop on I-59 Interstate and Exit 3. During the course of the traffic stop investigation, the Pearl River Officer discovered that the driver and passenger were in possession of 200 grams of Marijuana, a Anderson MFG AR-15 rifle, a Sig Sauer 9 mm handgun, Four Hundred dollars and paraphernalia that is used to Distribute Narcotics. Both the driver and passenger were placed under arrest for Possession with the Intent to Distribute Marijuana and Possession of a Firearm while in Possession of Narcotics.

Arrests

Total Arrest: 42 Felony: 6 Misdemeanor: 34 Juvenile: 6

DWI Arrest: 2 Arrest Warrants: 1 Search Warrants: 1

Narcotic Arrest: 15 Narcotic seized: 257 grams of Marijuana, 4 THC vapes, and 1 gram of Methamphetamine.

Weapons Seized: One HK 9mm Sig Sauer 9mm and one Anderson AR 15
Currency Seized: 0.

Total Citations: 518 (392 of which were for speeding)

February Call Stats

Matt Parish <mparish@pearlriverfire.org>

Mon 3/11/2024 10:56 PM

To: Jack Dockery <jdockery@pearlriverfire.org>

 1 attachments (20 KB)

February Fire types stats.pdf

Chief,

Attached is the breakdown of fire call types.
There was a total of 83 incidents for February.

39 Fire types

47 Medical types

Three incidents were completed in both systems, 2 MVC's and a service call that also received a refusal. That is why there is a discrepancy between the totals.

31 transports

14 refusals or treat and release

3 agency assist (We responded and AASI transported) our unit was already on a call

2 fire call type mutual aids We went to FD7

2 medical mutual aids for Acadian

Matt