Village of Napoleonville Minutes of Special Council Meeting May 12, 2023

The Village of Napoleonville held a Special Council Meeting on Friday, May 12, 2023, at the Administration Building Meeting Chamber. The session was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Ron Animashaun, the Clerk being present.

Present: Mayor Ron Animashaun, Alderwoman Kia Converse and Alderwoman April Williams. A quorum to conduct business was declared present by Mayor Animashaun. Alderwoman Velma Jupiter entered the meeting chamber at 6:20 p.m.

Also present was Trina Animashaun and Christopher Carter, APPJ Juror.

Public Comments Open

Alderwoman Converse motioned and Alderwoman Williams second "THAT" the Board open a public comment session before any agenda items were discussed. Upon a unanimous consent by the Board, Mayor Animashaun declared the motion carried and the public comment session was opened.

New Business

The Board opened the discussion on the Assumption Parish Police Jury's decision to relocate the Special Programs Department from the upstairs of the administration building to the downstairs suite and to relocate the Mayor's municipal clerk to a large office on the second floor. The Mayor and/or Alderwomen will be provided a conference room adjacent to that office on an as needed basis. The letter addressed to the Mayor and Board of Alderman that was signed by the President of the Assumption Parish Police Jury Leroy Blanchard dated on May 11, 2023, was read aloud by the clerk.

Christopher Carter, Police Juror addressed the Board concerning the APPJ move proposal and the new information that he received concerning the Hurricane Gustave and Ike Community Development Block Grant. The Board individually stated their views on the APPJ proposal. Upon a motion by Alderwoman Converse, second by Alderwoman Williams the Board agreed to allow Police Juror, Christopher Carter, time to further research the legalities of this matter. Upon a unanimous agreement by the Board, Mayor Animashaun declared the motion carried.

With no more public comments, the Board officially voted on the APPJ proposal to eliminate the Mayor's administrative office suite and the relocation of the municipal clerk office to the second floor. The Board voted in opposition of the proposal. The vote is as follows:

Yeas: 0

Nays: 3 Alderwoman Kia Converse, Alderwoman Velma Jupiter and Alderwoman April Williams

Abstain: <u>0</u>
Absent: 0

Mayor Animashaun declared the proposal failed.

Alderwoman Converse motioned and Alderwoman Williams second "THAT" the Board authorize Mayor Ron Animashaun to consult legal counsel concerning the APPJ proposal if required. Upon a unanimous agreement by the Board, Mayor Animashaun declared the motion carried.

Public Comments Session- Closed

Alderwoman Converse motioned and Alderwoman Jupiter second, "THAT" the public comments session be closed. The Board unanimously agreed and Mayor Animashaun declared the motion carried.

Adjournment:	Adjournment: Upon unanimous consent, the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.	
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