

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
CITY OF MORGAN CITY
SEPTEMBER 25, 2018

The Mayor and City Council of Morgan City, Louisiana, met at 6:00 pm (local time) in regular session, this date, in the City Court Building, Highway 182 East, Morgan City, Louisiana.

There were present: Honorable Frank P. Grizzaffi, III Mayor; and Council Members Ron Bias, Ray Autrey, Tim Hymel, Mark Stephens and Louis J. Tamporello, Jr.

Absent: None

Also present were Mr. Marcus Folse, Chief Administrative Officer and Mr. Paul Landry, City Attorney.

The invocation was given by Revered Randy Plessala.

There was no Positive Image recipient for the month of September.

Mayor Grizzaffi read his annual budget message into record (copy on file).

Marshal Kenny Duval addressed the Council regarding Red Ribbon Week 2018. He stated that the theme for the year was "The Future is Bright When You are Doing Things Right"; whereupon,

Mr. Hymel offered the following Resolution, who moved for its adoption.

RESOLUTION NO. R: 18-29

WHEREAS, alcohol and other drug abuse have reached epidemic stages, and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that visible, unified prevention education efforts be launched to eliminate the demand for drugs, and

WHEREAS, for the last 30 years in St. Mary Parish, the Red Ribbon has become a symbol of opposition to drug use and alcohol abuse, and

WHEREAS, a Parish-wide red ribbon campaign along with the recognition of Red Ribbon's 30th year in St. Mary Parish will be celebrated in St. Mary Parish during drug-free week, **October 19 – October 28, 2018**, and

WHEREAS, business, government, law enforcement, schools, religious institutions, service organizations, youth, medical, senior citizens, military, sports teams, and individuals will demonstrate their commitment to drug-free, healthy lifestyles by wearing and displaying red ribbons during this week-long campaign, and

WHEREAS, the City of Morgan City commits its resources to ensure the success of the St. Mary parish "Red Ribbon Campaign",

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council, the governing authority of the City of Morgan City, Louisiana that it does hereby support October 19 – October 28, 2018 as

"RED RIBBON DRUG-FREE WEEK"

and encourages its citizens to participate in drug awareness and drug educational activities, making a visible statement that we are strongly committed to drug-free, healthy lifestyles.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, etc. that all citizens are encouraged to pledge to this year's theme:

“The Future is BRIGHT when you are doing things RIGHT! BE DRUG-FREE!!”

Mr. Autrey seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Hymel, Autrey, Bias, Stephens, Tamporello
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 25th day of September, 2018.

Frank P. Grizzaffi, III, Mayor

ATTEST:

Debbie Harrington, Clerk

Mayor Grizzaffi stated that Mrs. Jessica Dubois with St. Mary Outreach had submitted a letter requesting use of the Petting Zoo for the annual Pumpkin Patch and Boo-To-Zoo from Monday October 22 through Saturday October 27, 2018 (copy on file). A motion to allow the request was made by Pastor Bias, seconded by Mr. Stephens, and voted unanimously in favor.

Dr. Eric Melancon, candidate for St. Mary Parish Coroner, addressed the Council and asked for their support in the upcoming election.

Mayor Grizzaffi stated that Mr. C.E. Bourg had asked to appear on the agenda to discuss the Atchafalaya Bit & Bridle Club. He said that Mr. Bourg was not present, but that the ABBC had taken exercised the first option on their lease and that would expire on December 31, 2023.

Dr. Trey Morice, candidate for St. Mary Parish Coroner, addressed the Council and asked for their support in the upcoming election.

The minutes of the August 28, 2018 meeting were submitted. There being no corrections, additions, or deletions, a motion to approve the minutes was made by Pastor Bias, seconded by Mr. Tamporello, and voted unanimously in favor.

Mrs. Deborah Garber, Finance Director, submitted the following financial statement for the period ending August 31, 2018.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DATE: September 20, 2018
TO: Mayor and Council
FROM: Deborah Garber
RE: Comments related to summary of revenues and expenses compared to the amended budget for the period ended August 31, 2018.

Attached is a summary that compares our actual revenues and expenses to our **amended** budget that was adopted in June 2018 for our major funds subject to budgetary control for the period ending August 31, 2018. The following comments are related thereto:

General and Ancillary Funds: Actual total revenues are currently over budget by \$381,200. This is mostly due to Occupational Licenses being over budget by \$220,000. Operating expenses remain below budget by \$309,100. The net loss, after transfers, of \$979,100 is a favorable variance of \$690,300 compared to the amended budget.

Utility Fund: Actual revenues are under budget by \$298,600. Electric Commercial revenues are considerably under budget with Gas and Water both being slightly over budget. Operational expenses remain under budget by \$387,500 which is right about the same as last month. The net income, after transfers, of \$382,570 creates a favorable variance of \$136,570.

Sanitation and Sewer Fund: This fund is running very similar to last month with operating revenues are \$233,200 over budget and total operating expenses under budget by \$433,400. The net income, after transfers of \$682,200 leaves another favorable variance of \$671,700.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Deborah Garber
 Deborah Garber
 Finance Director

**CITY OF MORGAN CITY
 CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT**

Actual Revenues and Expenses Compared to Budget
 Period Ended August 31, 2018

GENERAL AND ANCILLARY FUNDS

	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE
REVENUES			
General Fund	3,522,827	3,239,171	283,656
Recreation Fund	112,210	115,164	(2,954)
Library Fund	15,920	9,346	6,574
Auditorium Fund	74,634	53,946	20,688
Lake End Park Fund	524,117	450,901	73,216
Total Revenues	4,249,708	3,868,528	381,180
EXPENSES-OPERATIONAL			
General Fund	6,490,539	6,748,085	(257,546)
Recreation Fund	311,250	328,718	(17,468)
Library Fund	88,801	92,243	(3,442)
Auditorium Fund	298,867	310,325	(11,458)
Lake End Park Fund	562,714	581,899	(19,185)
Total Expenses	7,752,171	8,061,270	(309,099)
TRANSFERS			
Transfers from Funds	2,878,336	2,878,336	0
Transfers to Funds	(355,000)	(355,000)	0
Net Transfers	2,523,336	2,523,336	0
EXCESS NET OF TRANSFERS	(979,127)	(1,669,406)	690,279

UTILITY FUND

Total			
Revenues	14,783,898	15,082,545	(298,647)
Total Expenditures	12,170,545	12,558,073	(387,528)
Net			
Excess	2,613,353	2,524,472	88,881
Net Transfers and non-oper.	(2,230,783)	(2,278,478)	47,695
Excess net of transfers	382,570	245,994	136,576

SANITATION AND SEWER FUND

Total			
Revenues	1,962,977	1,729,774	233,203
Total			
Expenses	1,852,402	2,285,773	(433,371)
Net	110,575	(555,999)	666,574

Excess

Net Transfers/non-operating expenses	571,657	566,541	5,116
Excess net of transfers and non-operating	682,232	10,542	671,690

A motion to accept the financial statement was made by Mr. Tamporello, seconded by Mr. Autrey and voted unanimously in favor.

Mr. Anthony Governale stated that the deadline for the demolition of 1430 Victor II Boulevard was set for September 28, 2018. No improvements had been made but the owner of the property was at the meeting and wanted to address the Council. Mr. Galey stated that he had been trying to obtain financing for the repairs, but had exhausted all options. He stated that he intended to have the property appraised and place it up for sale. He had not yet done anything to secure the property. Mr. Tamporello made a motion that if tarps were put on yjr roof to secure the property before September 28 and Mr. Galey returned to the City Council at the October meeting with his appraisal in hand, the Council would revisit the issue, seconded by Mr. Hymel. The vote thereon was as follows: Yeas: Tamporello, Hymel, Autrey, Stephens; Nays: Bias; Abstain: None.

The next matter on the agenda was the First Reading for the Plumbing Ordinance. Mayor Grizzaffi stated that Mr. Governale had been in touch with the State Plumbing Board and no changes to the ordinance needed to be made at this time.

The First Reading for the 2019 Budget Ordinance was the next matter on the agenda. No definitive action was necessary.

The Public Hearing was opened for the Parking Ordinance. No one appeared for or against said ordinance, whereupon,

This ordinance was introduced with a first reading on August 28, 2018. Published by title on September 4, 2018.

Reverend Bias offered the following ordinance, who moved for its adoption.

ORDINANCE NO. 18-08

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MORGAN CITY AMENDING AND REENACTING SECTION 106-51, REGULATIONS, OF CHAPTER 106- TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES, ARTICLE II – PARKING.

SECTION 1

BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council, the governing authority of the City of Morgan City, Louisiana, that section 106-161, Designated, of Chapter 106, Traffic and Vehicles, Article II – Parking, said section to read as follows:

CHAPTER 106
 TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

 ARTICLE II – Parking

 Section 106-51. Regulations

Sec. 106-51. - Regulations.

- (a) No motor vehicle, motorcycle, farm tractor, road tractor, semitrailer, tandem semitrailer, tandem truck, trailer, truck, bus or passenger coach, personal watercraft, camper or vehicle shall be parked on or placed along any public street or thoroughfare in the corporation in any other manner than as follows:
 - (1) Signs. All vehicles shall be parked in such manner as to fit within street marking lines and/or comply with police department signs.
 - (2) Right side of street. When no street marking lines or signs appear on a street or thoroughfare, parking will be on the right side of the street or thoroughfare, facing the direction of moving traffic for that particular side of the street or thoroughfare, except that parking may be on either side of a dead-end street or thoroughfare where it becomes necessary to turn around within the block to park on the right side.
 - (3) Angle. All parking on an angle shall be done in such a manner as to place the front end of the automobile next to the curb; provided that for purposes of loading and unloading

trucks, trailers, tandem trucks, tandem semitrailers and semitrailers shall be permitted to be parked by backing into the curb.

- (4) Overnight. It shall be unlawful to use any street or thoroughfare of the city as a parking area for overnight parking of trucks, trailers, tandem trucks, tandem semitrailers, semitrailers, personal watercraft, camper or vehicles loaded with any explosive or any type of fuel that may tend to explode, ignite or release deadly or harmful fumes upon collision with another object or thing, except when authorized by special permit of the city.
- (5) Intersections. It shall be unlawful to park any vehicle within 20 feet of any intersection of the streets or thoroughfares in the corporate limits of the city, measurement to be made starting at the end of the radius of the intersection.
- (6) Signed areas. When signs are erected giving notice, no person shall park a vehicle at any time upon any street, alley or thoroughfare.
- (7) Erection of signs. Whenever by this article or any other ordinance of the city any parking time limit is imposed on designated streets or parking is prohibited on designated streets, the chief of police shall erect or have erected appropriate signs giving notice of such prohibition; and no such regulations shall be effective unless such signs are erected and in place at the time of any alleged offense.
- (8) Specified places. No person shall stop, stand or park a motor vehicle, motorcycle, powered cycle, farm tractor, road tractor, semitrailer or other conveyance except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with law or the directions of a police officer or traffic control device at any of the following places:
 - a. Upon the traveled portion of any roadway except to yield to other traffic, or as directed by a signal or sign, or as directed by a police officer.
 - b. No person shall move a vehicle not lawfully under his control into any such prohibited area or away from a curb such distance as is unlawful.
 - c. Within 500 feet of a fire apparatus at the scene of alarm of a fire.
 - d. On the neutral grounds within the curbs of any street or thoroughfare, except when neutral ground has an all-weather surface as approved by the council or its authorized representative; except that parking under the U.S. Highway 90 bridge and under the State Route 182 bridge shall be permitted for the parking of automobiles and pickup trucks rated not more than three-quarter ton, except that no parking shall be allowed under the U.S. Highway 90 bridge on that portion which has been hard surfaced for use as recreation, festival and/or crafts, or other approved public events. All other vehicles, including commercial vehicles being parked for business purposes, are prohibited from parking within the areas designated in this subsection. Parking may be allowed on the neutral grounds during special events as approved by the Mayor and/or Council. Parking shall be allowed in front of Rita Mae's Kitchen and Dale's Florist during normal business hours in between the signs designating the parking area.

SECTION 2

Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase be declared unconstitutional or repealed for any reason, the remainder of the ordinance shall not be affected hereby. That all laws or parts of law in conflict with this ordinance be and the same are repealed. This ordinance shall take effect immediately after passage within the time prescribed by law.

Mr. Tamporello seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:
AYES: Bias, Tamporello, Autrey, Hymel, Stephens
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

Certified approved and adopted this 25th day of September, 2018.

Delivered to Mayor Grizzaffi at 11:00 am, this 26th day of September, 2018.

/s/ Debbie Harrington
Debbie Harrington, Clerk

Approved this 26th day of September, 2018.

/s/ Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Frank P. Grizzaffi, III, Mayor

Received from Mayor at 2:30 pm on September 26, 2018.

/s/ Debbie Harrington
Debbie Harrington, Clerk

Published: October 3, 2018

The application for a Class "A" liquor and beer permit (copy on file) for Joline L. Bruno d/b/a Kill'n Tyme, 7418 Highway 182 E was submitted. A motion to approve the application was made by Mr. Tamporello, seconded by Pastor Bias and voted unanimously in favor.

Pastor Bias wanted to make sure that everyone remembered the victims of Hurricane Florence in their prayers.

Mr. Tamporello asked that the Budget Workshop be held on November 7, 2018 at 4PM at City Hall. He asked the other Councilmen to check their calendars and advise him if that was not agreeable.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Tamporello, seconded by Pastor Bias and voted unanimously in favor.

Debbie Harrington
Clerk

Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Mayor