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The following ordinance having been introduced at a regular meeting held on September 12, 2017 and notice of its introduction having been published in the official journal and a public hearing having been held in connection therewith, on this date, was offered for final adoption by Toni Malone and seconded by Sue Proffer.

ORDINANCE 12 – 161

An ordinance setting traffic code and criminal code for the Town of Chatham, Jackson Parish, Louisiana

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the Town of Chatham desire to keep its citizens safe and provide for a uniform traffic and criminal code adopts the following;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Chatham, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority thereof, that:

Section 1 - Violation and penalties.

It shall be unlawful for any person to violate or fail to comply with any provisions of the traffic code of the municipality or any amendments to said code as hereafter provided and the violation or failure to comply with any provision of the said traffic code or any amendments thereto shall be punished according to the general penalties described in section 4; such fine and confinement within the discretion of the mayor, as presiding magistrate, together with such court costs as shall be appropriate.

Section 2 - State traffic and vehicle laws adopted.

The municipality does hereby adopt as its traffic code each and every provision of the "Louisiana Highway Regulatory Act," being Chapter 1 of Title 32 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes as amended and revised (R.S. 32:1 et seq.); each and every provision of the "Driver's License Law," being Chapter 2 of Title 32 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes as amended and revised (R.S. 32:401 et seq.); each and every provision of the "Motor Vehicle Inspection Law", being Chapter 7 of Title 32 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes as amended and revised (R.S. 32:1301 et seq.), which statutes and provisions as originally enacted and amended from time to time are hereby declared to be the "Traffic Code of the Town of Chatham, Louisiana."

Section 3 - State criminal laws adopted.

The municipality does hereby adopt, as its criminal code, each and every provision that falls in the jurisdiction of the mayor's court of the Criminal Law Code LA R.S. Title 14, which statutes and provisions as originally enacted and amended from time to time are hereby declared to be the "Criminal Code of the Town of Chatham, Louisiana."

Section 4 - General penalty.

- (a) Except as otherwise provided by state law, whenever in this Code or in any ordinance of the city an act is prohibited or is made or declared to be unlawful, or an offense or a misdemeanor, or whenever in the Code or ordinance the doing of any act is required or the failure to do any act is declared to be unlawful, where no specific penalty is provided therefor, the violation of any provision of this Code or of any ordinance shall be punished by a fine of not exceeding \$500.00 or by imprisonment for not more than 60 days, or both such fine and imprisonment. Each day any violation of this Code or of any ordinance shall continue shall constitute a separate offense.
- (b) Any person who shall aid, abet or assist in the violation of any provision of this Code or any other ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punished as provided in this section.

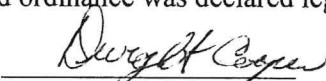
BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this ordinance shall take effect immediately.

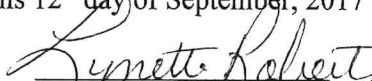
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all ordinances or resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

The above and foregoing ordinance having been read section by section, was then submitted to an official vote as a whole and adopted by the following vote:

YEAS: 5 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0

And said ordinance was declared legally adopted on this 12th day of September, 2017


Dwight Cooper
Mayor


Lynette Roberts
Clerk