

MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING ON JANUARY 23, 2019

PRESENT:

Mayor: Ryan “Spanky” Meche

Councilman: Errol Comeaux, Christine Semien, Pat O’Pry, Chris Lebas, Kim Cormier (Quorum)

Town Attorney: Brad Andrus

Chief of Police: Dale Thibodeaux

ABSENT: None

1. CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR

1. Motion made to amend the agenda by Errol Comeaux and seconded by Pat O’Pry. Unanimous vote in favor of amending the agenda. As such the following items were added to the agenda:

- Remove Todd Richard’s name from all credit cards and declare that he is no longer employed by the town and is no longer authorized to have his name on any credit cards in the town’s name. Motion was made by Chris Lebas and seconded by Christine Semien, vote was unanimous in favor thereof.

- Stated on the record that, prior to this meeting, City Hall has advised Entergy that the site where their utility pole is located at the corner of David Street and LA Highway 35 is creating a dangerous hazard to drivers by way of their utility pole obstructing the view of drivers of vehicles. Councilman Chris Lebas made a motion and Councilman Christine Semien seconded the motion to allow the town attorney to formally advise Entergy of the dangerous condition created by their utility pole located at the corner and put them on notice.

- Allow the town attorney to draft a liability waiver for people soliciting money at town intersections and also to draft a legal opinion regarding liability associated with allowing the solicitation of money at red lights and intersections within the corporate limits of the town of Church Point.

2. Appointment of Ron Lawson as a second Certified Building Inspector for the Town of Church Point. Motion made by Chris Lebas and seconded by Pat O’Pry with a majority vote in favor of such.

3. Purchase of property connected to city barn from Bobby Badon for \$65000.00. Motion by Errol Comeaux and seconded by Chris Lebas; unanimous vote in favor thereof contingent upon appraisal being equal to fair market value
4. Purchase of new truck for street department; old truck will be donated to sewer department. Motion by Christine Semien and seconded by Kim Cormier, unanimous vote in favor thereof;
5. Declare snapper zero turn surplus property. Model# 992133 Serial# 000540, motion by Kim Cormier and seconded by Chris Lebas to declare such not fit for a public purpose and authorized to accept sealed bids.
6. Declare 2003 Dodge pick-up surplus property. VIN# 1D7HA18DX35276911 motion by Kim Cormier and seconded by Chris Lebas to declare such not fit for a public purpose and authorized to accept sealed bids.
7. Purchase of water chlorinator for water department Motion made by Errol Comeaux and seconded by Pat O’Pry, unanimous vote in favor thereof to purchase such.
8. Purchase of fence to enclose old city barn property. Motion made by Errol Comeaux and seconded by Pat O’Pry, unanimous vote in favor thereof to purchase such.
9. Request to close Sewer Account due to lack of activity. Account # 00312 which has a current balance of \$2712.86 that would transfer into Utility Fund checking account, Motion made by Christine Semien and seconded by Chris Lebas, unanimous vote in favor thereof with the authority given to town attorney to prepare a resolution authorizing such
10. Church Point Community Development to make improvements to North, South and Depot parks out of the General Fund. Motion made by Errol Comeaux and seconded by Kim Cormier stating that the town of Church Point shall match funds in the amount of \$10,000.00 to repair, including but not limited to, restrooms at parks with any excess to be spent as determined by the City Hall.
11. Permission to close Jr Police account due to lack of activity. Account # 701122 Fund has a current balance of \$2888.77 which would be transferred into the Special Investigation Account, Motion made by Christine Semien, seconded by Chris Lebas, unanimous vote in favor thereof

12. Permission to purchase cameras out of Special Investigation account. Motion made by Errol Comeaux and seconded by Kim Cormier, unanimous vote in favor of purchasing cameras for police personnel from Reveal Media USA in the amount of \$8,761.00.

13. Declare 2 old squad cars surplus property. VIN# 2FAFP74WX1X105702 & VIN# 1FAHP24177G151180 motion by Christine Semien and seconded by Chris Lebas to declare such not fit for a public purpose and authorized to accept sealed bids to be opened at February town council meeting

14. Request to approve individuals to use on the Police Reserve Unit, Motion was made by Chris Lebas and seconded by Christine Semien with a unanimous vote in favor thereof to approve the following individuals as reserve police officers made at the recommendation of Chief Dale Thibodeaux:

- **Lynsey Thibodeaux**
- **Gregory Mouton**
- **Collin Deville**
- **Shane Higginbotham**
- **Joshua Anthony Begnaud**
- **Forest Sillavan**
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15. Permission to close Cajun Culture account due to lack of activity. Account# 115282 Balance \$4340.32 will be transferred to Le Vieux Presbytere, Motion made by Christine Semien and seconded by Kim Cormier to close such account, unanimous vote in favor thereof to close Account #115282 and to allow the town attorney to draft a resolution indicating formal written permission to close such account.

16. **ADJOURNMENT** -Motion made by Errol Comeaux, seconded by Pat O’Pry, Motion carried
by majority vote

APPROVED AS TO AUTHENTICITY:

RYAN MECHE
MAYOR

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FALLON MATTE
TOWN CLERK-(TEMPORARY)

DATE

