

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE TOWN OF ST. FRANCISVILLE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN, ST. FRANCISVILLE, LA, MONDAY, JUNE 18, 2012, 10:00 A. M.

The Town of St. Francisville Board of Aldermen met in SPECIAL session this 18th day of June, 2012 at 11936 Ferdinand St., Town Hall, St. Francisville, LA. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a. m. with the following members present: Mayor William D'Aquila, Aldermen James Davis, James R. Leake, Robert P. Leake, Oscar Robertson, Jr., Abby Temple Cochran and Jesse L. Means, Jr.

The Pledge was led by Scott Ford

On motion by James R. Leake, and seconded by James Davis, the minutes of May 22, 2012 were approved as circulated. The minutes of the Public Hearing on June 12, 2012 were read also. These were minutes of the variances for Alan Dwyer and Chaille Daniel. Motion carried.

PEC Update – Bianca Carambat

1) Audubon Hills sewer project – another drainage problem was found, the contractor has not submitted a revised cost as yet. The town has spent \$629,000 on the sewer rehab so far. We have received a Check from the State from the Capital Outlay Funds for \$387,100.00. A check for that amount was paid to DEQ to repay the loan leaving a balance of \$241,900 to be paid at .95% interest.

The DOTD has issued the permit to repair Sewer Pump Station #7 across for the hotel.

The balances of four LGAP grants from previous years have been approved by the state to use for much needed equipment for various projects (gas, water, sewer).

2) Sidewalk along Commerce and Jackson Road project - bids will be opened July 12, 2012.

Ratify variances of Public Hearing on July 12, 2012.

On motion by James R. Leake and seconded by Abby Temple Cochran to accept the recommendations of the Planning and Zoning Commission to approve the following:

1. Approve Alan Dwyer's request for a variance to operate a business, Feliciana Florist and Gift Shop at 11799 Ferdinand Street.
2. Approve Chaille Daniel's request on the lot size of 50X50 feet on U S 61 adjacent to Spring Creek Shopping Center and to approve this tract as a separate subdivided parcel. This lot contains the telecommunications tower and is being sold to Spectra Site Tower.

Motion carried.

On motion by James R. Leake and seconded by Abby Temple Cochran to approve an employee salary raise of 3% effective the next fiscal year beginning September 1, 2012. Motion carried.

On motion by Abby Temple Cochran and seconded by Robert P. Leake to adopt Resolution 2012-3 to declare the 1984 GMC Dump Truck as surplus property appraised at \$700.00 and place advertisement in the official journal to sell this truck to the highest bidder. Motion carried.

Mayor's Report –

The Town has been approved by legislature sponsored by Senator Riser and Representative Havard for \$310,000 to update the gas system in Hardwood. So far this has not been deleted by the governor.

There will be CRPC meeting at Hemingbough today at 6 p.m. and the council is invited to attend.

There will be a LMA District H meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday in Slaughter. Everyone is invited.


The council was asked read the parish Home Rule Charter and make comments. The concern is that the Town of St. Francisville has been deleted from having representation in the parish.


Police Report - Chief Ford stated that the department had worked two vacation bible school projects, and two residential burglaries.

Main Street Report - the movie 'Beautiful Creatures' is filming in town. Chief Ford will close traffic from the oxidation pond into town on Ferdinand Street. Another movie company will film at Angola and return for August. The steamboat has been docking on the New Roads side and the tourists are being bused into St. Francisville. They are in today and will return Saturday.

Motion by James Davis, seconded by Abby Cochran, the meeting was adjourned. Motion carried.

11:05 a.m.


Diane Tygres, Town Clerk


William H. D'Aquila, Mayor