

May 2, 2016

Town of Golden Meadow
107 Jervis Drive
Golden Meadow, LA 70357

The Mayor and Council of the Town of Golden Meadow met for their regular scheduled meeting on Monday, May 2, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. at the Town Hall, 107 Jervis Drive, Golden Meadow, LA 70357.

Those present were: Mayor Joey Bouziga
Councilman David Adams
Councilman Jody Cheramie
Councilman Lindberg Lorraine
Councilman Priscilla Mounic
Councilman Willis Touns

Others attending were Bryce Autin, Frank Boura, Salvador Gonzalez, Jr., Salvador Gonzalez, Sr., Laci Latiolais, Jamie Liner, Daniel Lorraine, Chet Louviere, Chief Reggie Pitre, John Plaisance, Johnny Plaisance, Capt. Dean Savoie, and Greg Terry.

Councilman David Adams led everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and Councilman Jody Cheramie led everyone in prayer.

Mayor Joey Bouziga called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Councilman Jody Cheramie presented a motion and Councilman Priscilla Mounic seconded approving the minutes from the meeting held on April 18, 2016. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mayor Joey Bouziga informed the Council the Shane Rogers building permit application remains on hold until a new recreational vehicle ordinance can be completed.

Mayor Joey Bouziga informed the Council no Occupational Licenses were submitted for approval.

Mayor Joey Bouziga presented the clean-up report as follows:

- Joseph Leonard Property located on Chouest Lane has a deadline of May 2, 2016. Councilman David Adams presented a motion and Councilman Jody Cheramie seconded approving an extension until Monday, May 16, 2016 due to Mr. Leonard's illness. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.
- Marlene Sunday property located on Martinez Lane has been cut.

Mayor Joey Bouziga presented the Building Inspectors report for the dangerous building located at 115 Mrs. Thomas Pitre Lane. Mayor Joey Bouziga and the Town Council briefly discussed the report. Councilman Priscilla Mounic presented a motion and Councilman Willis Touns seconded authorizing Attorney Bryce Autin contact the property owners and their attorney to proceed with the demolition and/or repair of the dangerous building. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mayor Joey Bouziga requested the Council fill out the proper complaint form when reporting an abandoned vehicle.

Engineer John Plaisance presented the project report as follows:

- North Sewer Plant Upgrades Project is waiting on plan approval from the Department of Health and Hospitals.
- Sewer Phase IV rights-of-ways continue. Attorney Bryce Autin informed the Mayor and Council a discussion took place regarding entering into a right-of-way agreement with a public employee and immediate family members. Attorney Autin contacted the Board of Ethics and they informed him it is not ethical for the Town to enter into any agreement whether paid or donated with any public employee or their immediate family. The only solution is to expropriate the right-of-way. Although the employees received the same compensation for the expropriation as they would for the right-of-way agreement a legal process must take place. Attorney Autin informed the Council Sewer Phase IV, Sewer Phase V, and Sewer Phase VI will all be affected by this. Attorney Autin requested approval to request an opinion regarding this problem but also approval to begin expropriations. Councilman Jody Cherie presented a motion and Councilman David Adams seconded approving Attorney Bryce Autin request an ethics opinion and also begin expropriations proceedings. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.
- Sewer Phase V is in the rights-of-way stages. Councilman Jody Cherie requested verification of generators to run the sewer plants and lift stations during power outages. Mayor Joey Bouziga stated the Town does have generators to supply power to all sewer plants and lift stations during power outages.
- Sewer Phase VI has submitted an application for funding.
- Seawall Phase III – A barge and piles and other equipment has been delivered to begin the project. Mayor Joey Bouziga requested Engineer John Plaisance acquire written approval for the contractor equipment to be placed on the Frank's Supermarket property. Engineer Plaisance stated he did believe the contract had an agreement, but he would be sure to acquire one if he didn't.
- Town Hall Turnaround Project is waiting on the State to approve the plans.
- Skate Board Park – The Lafourche Parish Government did approve the transfer of funds for the Skate Board Park. Councilman Priscilla Mounic presented a motion and Councilman David Adams seconded approving the lowest bidder Picciola Construction be awarded the bid in the amount of \$294,000.00. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.
- Water Enrichment Grant has been approved.
- Swimming Pool Repairs – The Lafourche Parish Government will meet to discuss an Ordinance to transfer funds to complete the swimming pool repairs. Pool repairs have begun.
- Capital Outlay Project have been submitted for funding and are waiting on State approval.
- LGAP 2015-2016 application for funding the purchase of two generators for two sewer lift stations has been submitted.
- Economic Development Administration (EDA) Grant is waiting on approval.

Attorney Bryce Autin informed the Council the only legal update is the Public Hearing scheduled on Monday, May 16, 2016 at 6:45 to discuss the proposed ordinance to sell surplus property owned by the Town of Golden Meadow located at 313 North Bayou Drive.

Chief Reggie Pitre informed the Mayor and Council the cost to purchase body cameras for police officers is \$5,408.00. Golden Meadow Rotary Club has awarded the Police Department a grant in the amount of \$3,700.00, but the remaining \$1,708.00 will need to be paid. Councilman David Adams presented a motion and Councilman Willis Toups seconded approving the Town pay

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\$1,708.00 for the purchase of the Police Departments body cameras. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mayor Joey Bouziga requested adding the hauling of dirt in Oakridge Park to the agenda. No audience questions or objections were presented. Councilman David Adams presented a motion and Councilman Priscilla Mounic seconded approving Mayor Joey Bouziga add the aforesaid to the agenda. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mayor Joey Bouziga informed the Council Foreman Salvador Gonzalez, Jr. has been hauling the dirt retrieved from the drainage reservoir to the area around the Oakridge Park Swimming Pool. Approximately 40 loads have been hauled with approximately 40 loads remaining to be hauled near the Oakridge Park Bandstand and Pavilion.

Mayor Joey Bouziga requested audience comments.

Mr. Chet Louviere requested an update on the recreational vehicle located at the front of Louviere Lane. Mayor Joey Bouziga informed Mr. Louviere the Police Department did go out and inform the occupants of the recreational vehicle they needed to remove the vehicle immediately and Mayor Bouziga stated he contacted the property owner and request he have the recreational vehicle removed, but obviously without success. Mayor Joey Bouziga requested the Police Department go back out and demand the recreational vehicle be removed immediately and also instructed Attorney Bryce Autin send a letter to the property owner. The Town Clerk will also report the living conditions to the Department of Health.

Mayor Joey Bouziga requested adding to the agenda the house owned by Black & Hornsby Properties, LLC located at 2124 South Alex Plaisance Blvd. across from Frank's Supermarket. No audience questions or objections were presented. Councilman Willis Toups presented a motion and Councilman Lindberg Lorraine seconded approving the aforesaid to the agenda. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mayor Joey Bouziga requested Attorney Bryce Autin send a letter to Black & Hornsby Properties, LLC regarding thier property located a t 2124 South Alex Plaisance Blvd. across from Frank's Supermarket being used as a bunkhouse. Mayor Bouziga stated sometime back this was addressed and was resolved, but apparently the problem has been reported again. Councilman David Adams presented a motion and Councilman Wills Toups seconded approving Attorney Bryce Autin send a letter to Black & Hornsby, LLC demanding the bunkhouse be shut down immediately. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mr. Johnny Plaisance presented a petition for traffic calming devices to be installed on Dursette Street. Mayor Joey Bouziga informed Mr. Plaisance the Town would forward the petition to the Lafourche Parish Government.

Lafourche Parish Councilman Daniel Lorraine informed the Council the Town of Golden Meadow has received approximately \$600,000.00 in the past few years for projects in Oakridge Park. These funds are generated through taxes collected for recreation.

Lafourche Parish Councilman Daniel Lorraine requested information regarding property owned by Mrs. Mona Gisclair located on Alex Plaisance Blvd. Mayor Joey Bouziga instructed Councilman Lorraine to have Mrs. Gisclair contact the Lafourche Parish Assessor's Office.

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Mr. Johnny Plaisance thanked the Police Department for extra patrol on Dursette Street, it had helped with the speeders.

Mayor Joey Bouziga thanked Capt. Dean Savoie for assisting the Town with the use of trustees from the Lafourche Parish Sub-station.

With no other business to discuss, Councilman Willis Touns presented a motion and Councilman Jody Chermie seconded approving this meeting adjourn at 7:44 P.M. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

MAYOR JOEY BOUZIGA

ATTESTED:

JAMIE LINER, TOWN CLERK