

May 21, 2012

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 21, 2012 at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall, 107 Jervis Drive, Golden Meadow, LA 70357.

Those present were: Mayor Joey Bouziga
Councilman David Adams
Councilman Mike Billiot
Councilman Frank Boura
Councilman Jody Cheramie
Councilman Priscilla Mounic

Others attending were Ashton Cheramie, Kenneth Cheramie, Dudley Freeman, Salvador Gonzalez, Jr., Laci Latiolais, Ryan Latiolais, Rodney Ledet, Cindy Lefort, Terry Milligan, John Plaisance and McNeely Rome.

Mayor Joey Bouziga called this meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Councilman Mike Billiot presented a motion and Councilman Priscilla Mounic seconded approving the minutes from the Council meeting held on Monday, May 7, 2012. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

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

Chief Randy Chiasson gave everyone the April stats for the police department.

Upon recommendation of Chief Chiasson a motion was presented by Councilman Mike Billiot and seconded by Councilman Frank Boura to bring Darren Doucet into the police department as a reserve officer. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Chief Chiasson informed the Mayor and Council that the Lafourche Parish Sheriff's Office is requesting that two (2) applicants from each police department in the Parish attempt to qualify for their Crisis Management Unit. The Mayor and Councilmen were given literature to read over. After a brief discussion, a motion was presented by Councilman Frank Boura and seconded by Councilman David Adams to defer any decisions to the next meeting of June 4, 2012. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mayor Bouziga reported that because of lack of a quorum, a new public hearing would have to be scheduled to re-zone property owned by Frank Boura to a R-1 zone. A motion was presented by Councilman Mike Billiot and seconded by Councilman David Adams to re-start the process. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented with Councilman Frank Boura abstaining.

Upon the recommendation of the Board of Adjustments a variance was granted for Ryan and Laci Latiolais for a rear yard variance from twenty-five (25) feet to two and one

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half (2.5) feet and a side yard variance from five (5) feet to two and one half (2.5) feet by motion of Councilman David Adams and seconded by Councilman Priscilla Mounic. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

There were no occupational licenses to be presented.

Mayor Bouziga gave the following cleanup report:

- Louisiana Shrimp Packing – A motion was presented by Councilman David Adams and seconded by Councilman Jody Cheramie to send a letter to the owner to be present at the June 4, 2012 Council meeting to give a progress update. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Town Engineer John Plaisance gave the following project reports:

- Sewer Phase III – A motion was presented by Councilman Frank Boura and seconded by Councilman Priscilla Mounic adopting Resolution No. 1499 accepting the low bid of LA Contracting Enterprises, LLC in the amount of \$649,300.00 for the Community Sewerage System Phase III and authorizing Mayor Bouziga to sign, execute and administer any and all relevant documents.
- Sewer Phase IV – Right of ways are being obtained.
- Sewer Phase V – Has been placed in second round of funding because Sewer Phase III has not yet been completed.
- Seawall Phase II – Out for bids.
- Seawall Phase III – Still in paperwork stage.
- Oakridge Park Waterline Phase I – Will be combined with Phase II and plans are ready to be reviewed by Mayor Bouziga.

Due to the absence of Town Attorney Mitchell Theriot, reports on the Harris Kief Estate, Valerina LeBouef, and Berwick Cheramie were deferred to the June 4, 2012 Council meeting.

Mayor Bouziga gave an update on the progress of work at the Town's pumping station.

Due to the absence of Town Attorney Mitchell Theriot, the discussion of a letter to Ronald Leicher regarding property purchased by the Town was deferred to the Council meeting of June 4, 2012.

Quotes to erect two (2) small pavilions in Oakridge Community Park were presented by Mayor Bouziga as follows:

- Picciola Construction - \$10,681.92
- HHP Construction Group, LLC - \$11,985.00
- E & L Enterprises, Inc. – 13,777.30

A motion was presented by Councilman David Adams and seconded by Councilman Jody Cheramie to accept the lowest bid from Picciola Construction. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mayor Bouziga reported that he has spoken to Dirk Barrios from Lafourche Parish Water District in reference to them collecting sewer bills for the Town. Mayor Bouziga

stated that more information must be obtained before he can meet with Mr. Barrios again to determine if this is feasible.

Mayor Bouziga stated that the Oakridge Park Swimming Pool will open for the summer on June 1. Each Councilman received a list of pool employees.

A motion was presented by Councilman Frank Boura and seconded by Councilman David Adams adopting Resolution No. 1500 authorizing submission of a grant application to Delta Regional Authority. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mayor Bouziga presented the cleanup report as follows:

- Harris Kief Estate – a motion was presented by Councilman Mike Billiot and seconded by Councilman Priscilla Mounic to send a cleanup letter. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.
- Dolphin Towing – a motion to send a second cleanup letter was made by Councilman Jody Cherie and seconded by Councilman David Adams. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.
- Old Two Sisters – a motion to send a cleanup letter was made by Councilman David Adams and seconded by Councilman Priscilla Mounic. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mayor Bouziga gave Councilman a first quarter financial report.

A motion was made by Councilman Mike Billiot and seconded by Councilman Frank Boura appointing Trixie Allemand as treasurer for Community Family Fund. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mayor Bouziga informed the Council that town employee Salvador Gonzalez, Sr. and work release employee Reginald Posey assisted in rescuing an elderly woman from her vehicle after it plunged into the canal behind the senior citizens center in Oakridge Community Park. Mayor Bouziga will recognize the two employees at the meeting of June 4, 2012.

Mayor Bouziga requested adding application for \$60,000.00 for turning lane on Alex Plaisance Blvd. near Frank's Supermarket to the agenda. No audience comments were presented. A motion was presented by Councilman David Adams and seconded by Councilman Priscilla Mounic approving Mayor Joey Bouziga add the aforesaid to the agenda. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mayor Bouziga reported that he had received a call from Representative Gisclair that \$60,000.00 was available to add a turning lane on Alex Plaisance Blvd. near Frank's Supermarket. The application for funding was immediately processed by Town Engineer John Plaisance and forwarded to Representative Gisclair. Mayor Bouziga stated that he would inform the Councilmen when he received more information.

Mayor Bouziga requested any citizen comments.

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Mr. Rodney Ledet asked when Phase III of the street resurfacing project would begin. Mayor Bouziga stated that the drainage phase would begin on June 20 and the street resurfacing would begin at the end of July.

There being no further business to discuss, a motion was presented by Councilman Jody Cheramie and seconded by Councilman Priscilla Mounic to adjourn this meeting at 7:31 PM. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

MAYOR JOEY BOUZIGA

ATTEST:

CINDY LEFORT, ASST. TOWN CLERK