

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN

TOWN OF WELSH  
WELSH, LOUISIANA  
FEBRUARY 1, 2022

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Welsh met in regular session at the Welsh Council Room on Tuesday, February 1, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Karl Arceneaux called the meeting to order and Mrs. Jackie Balmer delivered the invocation. Mr. Clint Hardy led the pledge.

Roll call follows:

Present: Mayor Karl Arceneaux; Aldermen: Andrea King, Ronnie Hayes, Lawrence Mier, Clint Hardy, Jackie Balmer.

Absent: None.

Others in attendance: Eva Kibodeaux, Town Clerk, Richard Arceneaux, Town Attorney, Robbie Vanicor, Recreation Director and Wes LeBlanc, Superintendent.

008. It was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Lawrence Mier to adopt the agenda of the day which consists of #018. Proposition No. #321 Ordinance #823 to set public hearing to increase electric rates and #019. Samantha Dugas to discuss 424 S. Simmons St. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.
009. It was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Mr. Clint Hardy to approve the minutes of January 4, 2022 as presented. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.
014. Ms. Charlene Monk has torn down the carport located at 1007 Welsh St.
015. It was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Mr. Lawrence Mier to give Mr. Rodney Prudhomme 60 days to tear down the building located at 1206 Millard St. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.
016. It was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Clint Hardy to condemn Mr. Delbert LaFleur house located at 617 Welsh St. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.
017. It was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Ronnie Hayes to condemn Mr. Roy Lemell house located at the Corner of Martin Luther King and Littell St. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.
010. Mayor Karl Arceneaux opened the public hearing on Proposition No. 320 Ordinance #822 to amend alcohol ordinance to allow bars to be able to open on Sunday. Alderman Clint Hardy read a statement outlining his reasons for wanting to change the ordinance. There were no other comments.  
It was moved by Mr. Clint Hardy, seconded by Ms. Andrea King to close the public hearing. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.
011. The following resolution was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer.
- Resolution #001-2022
- Resolution of the cooperative endeavor/purchase agreement between the City of Minden, Louisiana and the Town of Welsh, Louisiana regarding electric transformers.
- Yeas: Andrea King, Ronnie Hayes, Lawrence Mier, Clint Hardy, Jackie Balmer.  
Nays: None.  
Absent: None.  
Abstaining: None.  
Motion carried. Vote 5-0.

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012. The following ordinance was moved by Mr. Lawrence Mier, seconded by Mr. Clint Hardy.

Proposition No. 320 Ordinance No. #822

To ordinance amending Sec. 4-27 and 4-55 regulating the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages.

Yeas: Andrea King, Lawrence Mier, Clint Hardy.

Nays: Ronnie Hayes, Jackie Balmer.

Absent: None.

Abstaining: None.

Motion carried. Vote 3-2.

013. This item was tabled.

018. It was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Ms. Andrea King, to introduce Proposition No. #321 Ordinance #823 and set the public hearing on Tuesday, March 8, 2022 to increase the electric rates. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.

019. Ms. Samantha Dugas asked why she couldn't place a trailer on her property located at 424 S. Simmons St. The clerk stated that the property is in a business district and you can't place a trailer in a Business District. Alderman Andrea King stated they put a trailer in that area a couple of years ago. The clerk also stated that officially she doesn't own the property. It is under her deceased father's name. Then Richard Arceneaux, Town Attorney stated she needs to proceed with a succession to acquire the property.

Mr. Robbie Vanicor, Recreation Director stated the baseball season will begin in April. He reported that swings at Richmond Park are broken and they need to be repaired. Mayor Arceneaux told him to come to City Hall tomorrow and look at budget to see how we can repair the equipment. Mr. Vanicor stated that JD Bank had contacted him in reference to a donation for the Recreation Department. He stated that we could use a set of bleachers behind home plate at the softball field.

Mr. Wes LeBlanc, Superintendent stated that they have the 13,000 circuit regulators up. We are just waiting for them to be programmed. The other bucket truck should be repaired by the end of the week.

020. There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.

ATTEST:

APPROVAL:

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EVA C. KIBODEAUX, TOWN CLERK

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KARL ARCENEUX, MAYOR