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

TOWN OF WELSH

WELSH, LOUISIANA

FEBRUARY 4, 2025

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Welsh met in regular session at the Welsh Council Room on Tuesday, February 4, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Karl Arceneaux called the meeting to order. Mrs. Jackie Balmer delivered the invocation. Mr. Melward Doucet, Jr. led the pledge.

Roll call follows:

Present: Mayor Karl Arceneaux; Aldermen: Andrea King, Chuck Abell, Lawrence Mier, Melward Doucet, Jr., Jackie Balmer.

Absent: None.

Others in attendance: Eva Kibodeaux, Town Clerk, Marcus Crochet, Police Chief, John Hall, Fire Chief and Richard Arceneaux, Town Attorney.

019. It was moved by Mr. Lawrence Mier, seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer to adopt the

agenda of the day which consists of #027. John Hall, Fire Chief purchase of fire truck,

#028. Enter into an agreement with Jefferson Davis Parish Economic Development

Commission, #029. Enter into a cooperative endeavor agreement with Jefferson Davis

Parish for operation of Veteran’s Service Office, #030. Surplus 1993 Ford Bucket Truck

Vin # 1FDXK84E1PVA31117, and #031. Award bid to Guillotte Brothers for

$208,400.00 to clear Frontage Rd. property. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.

020. It was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Melward Doucet, Jr. to approve

minutes from January 7, 2025 as presented. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.

021. It was moved by Mr. Lawrence Mier, seconded by Mr. Melward Doucet, Jr. to approve

the monthly financial report for December 2024 as presented. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.

022. It was moved by Mr. Lawrence Mier, seconded by Mr. Melward Doucet, Jr. to give

another extension for 30 days to the Prudhomme family for the home located at 905

Martin Luther King St. to allow them to present scope of work and estimate to repair the

home. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.

023. It was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Melward Doucet, Jr. to accept the

recommendation of Marcus Crochet, Police Chief to hire Jeff Lognion as a part time

patrolman with a 90 day probationary period. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.

024. It was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Chuck Abell to have the owners

of the property located at 509 N. Adams St. report back on Tuesday, April 1, 2025 to

give update on repairing building. Beside inside remodel, outside of building is to be

painted, the glass painted black, the electrical service on building repaired and the broken

sign needs to be repaired. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.

025. It was moved by Mr. Melward Doucet, Jr., seconded by Mr. Lawrence Mier to condemn

the house located at 1108 S. Adams St. give him 30 days to demolish the house. Motion

carried. Vote 5-0.

026. It was moved by Mr. Melward Doucet, Jr., seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer to finance

with Arvest Bank the sanitation truck being purchased from River City Hydraulics and

the Mayor Karl Arceneaux, will sign documents on behalf of the Town of Welsh.

Motion carried. Vote 5-0.

027. John Hall, Fire Chief presented the paperwork to the Mayor and Alderman for plans to

purchase a new fire truck.

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028. The following resolution was offered by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Melward

Doucet, Jr.

RESOLUTION #003-2025

A resolution to form a Parish Economic Development Commission.

Motion carried. Vote 5-0.

029. It was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Melward Doucet, Jr. to enter into

a cooperative endeavor agreement with Jefferson Davis Parish for operation of Veteran’s

Service Office. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.

030. It was moved by Mr. Lawrence Mier, seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer to surplus 1993

Ford Bucket Truck Vin # 1FDXK84E1PVA31117 and send to Guinn Auction to be sold.

Motion carried. Vote 5-0.

031. It was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Chuck Abell to award bid

to Guillotte Brothers for $208,400.00 to clear Frontage Rd. property. Motion carried.

Vote 5-0.

032. There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Lawrence Mier, seconded by

Mr. Melward Doucet, Jr. to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.

ATTEST: APPROVAL:

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EVA C. KIBODEAUX, TOWN CLERK KARL ARCENEAUX, MAYOR