

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

TOWN OF WELSH

WELSH, LOUISIANA
OCTOBER 3, 2017

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Welsh met in regular session at the Welsh Town Hall on Tuesday, October 3, 2017, at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Carolyn Louviere called the meeting to order and Robert Owens led the pledge.

Roll call follows:

Present: Mayor Carolyn Louviere; Aldermen: Andrea King, Rodney Trahan, Lawrence Mier, Colby Perry, and Robert Owens.

Absent: None

Others in attendance: Richard Arceneaux, Town Attorney; Stephanie Benoit, Town Clerk; Michelle Ramagos, Director of Parks and Recreation; Tracy Goodwin, Co-Superintendent; Wayne Hebert, Co-Superintendent.

143. It was moved by Robert Owens, seconded by Lawrence Mier to adopt the Agenda of the Day which consisted of 148. Joel LeJeune- Fuel Adjustment and Flushing of Water Lines; 149. Marcus Crochet- Surplus of old unit to JDP for parts; 150. Lawrence Mier- Lagniappe Festival; 151. Cynthia Keys- Keys Road; 152. Robert Owens- Planning Committee.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: Andrea King, Rodney Trahan, Lawrence Mier, Colby Perry, Robert Owens

Nays: None

Abstaining: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried. Vote 5-0.

144. It was moved by Robert Owens, seconded by Rodney Trahan to approve the minutes of September 5, 2017 as presented. Motion Carried. Vote 5-0.

145. It was moved by Robert Owens, seconded by Rodney Trahan to amend the Police Department Policy regarding TED Officer Pay from \$25 an hour to \$35 an hour.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: Andrea King, Rodney Trahan, Lawrence Mier, Colby Perry, Robert Owens

Nays: None

Abstaining: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried. Vote 5-0.

146. Marshall Jackson spoke on behalf of New Hope Baptist Church in regards to some adjudicated property next to the church. He said that the Police Jury voted to donate their share of the property and was asking the Town of Welsh to do the same. They are planning to add on to the church and have an area for counseling. There are steps involved that has to be done before the Board of Aldermen will be able to vote on it.

147. It was moved by Robert Owens, seconded by Rodney Trahan to set Trick or Treat for the Town of Welsh for Tuesday, October 31, 2017, from 5:30pm-7:30pm. Motion Carried. Vote 5-0.

149. It was moved by Robert Owens, seconded by Rodney Trahan to Surplus and donate an old Police Unit with last four digits of VIN#: 0541 to the Jennings Police Department for parts. Motion Carried. Vote 5-0.

150. Lawrence Mier would like to form a Lagniappe Festival Committee of 6-8 people to make the Festival better and get the community more involved in the planning so it will have a better turn out and bring the community together. Anyone interested in being on the committee can call City Hall with your name and contact information.
151. Cynthia Keys would like to make sure that Keys Road is sprayed and when it is sprayed to make sure is it done in a professional manner. Not spraying the trees or spraying weeds to die and not weed eating them. Makes the Town look bad and she hates driving down the road seeing it.
148. Joel LeJeune wanted the Fuel Adjustment on the electricity bills to be explained to him so Eva with the Town of Welsh showed him from the monthly LEPA bill how it is calculated by the Town. He also stated he sees brown water at his home often. Wayne Hebert said that the Town would put in an automatic flush valve in the area where Joel lives.
152. Alderman, Robert Owens, said there was a big turnout at the Planning Committee meeting and received quite a few surveys and the committee is going through them at this time. He wants to give updates at the monthly council meetings on what is being done.
- The Mayor stated she sent a letter along with a booklet of pictures made by Rodney Trahan of the bayou to Congressman Clay Higgins so the Town can get help in getting the bayou cleaned.
153. There being no further business, it was moved by Rodney Trahan, seconded by Robert Owens to adjourn the meeting. Motion Carried. Vote 5-0.

ATTEST:

APPROVAL:

Stephanie Benoit, Town Clerk

Carolyn Louviere, Mayor