

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

TOWN OF WELSH  
WELSH, LOUISIANA  
APRIL 4, 2023

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Welsh met in regular session at the Welsh Council Room on Tuesday, April 4, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Karl Arceneaux called the meeting to order. Mrs. Jackie Balmer delivered the invocation. Mr. Ronnie Hayes led the pledge.

Roll call follows:

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

Absent: Lawrence Mier.

Others in attendance: Eva Kibodeaux, Town Clerk, Robbie Vanicor, Recreation Director, John Hall, Fire Chief and Marcus Crochet, Police Chief.

025. It was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Ronnie Hayes to adopt the agenda of the day which consists of #034. Jonathan Brown to discuss event at Sportsman park on Sunday's, #035. Resolution No. 003-2023 in support of National Community Development Week, #036. Marcus Crochet, Police Chief to hire Mary Janise, and #037. Markita Cummings discuss donating bench at Bethune Park in memory after her brother. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.
032. It was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer to agree to pay for north half of Abell Rd. paving in the amount of \$100,000.00. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.
026. It was moved by Ms. Andrea King, seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer to approve the minutes of March 7, 2023 as presented. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.
027. It was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Mr. Clint Hardy to approve the financial statement for February 28, 2023. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.
028. It was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Clint Hardy to introduce Proposition No. 329 Ordinance No. 831 to amend the budget for 2022 – 2023 and set public hearing on Tuesday, May 2, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.
029. It was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer to introduce Proposition No. 330 Ordinance No. 832 to adopt budget for 2023 – 2024 and set public hearing on Tuesday, May 2, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.
030. It was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Ms. Andrea King to lift the open container at Richmond Park for Welsh Roanoke Reunion on Saturday, June 17, 2023 from 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.
031. It was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Clint Hardy to surplus a 2010 Ford pickup VIN # 1FTFW1EVXAKE03959. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.
033. No action was taken on house located at 315 W. South Street.
034. It was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Mr. Clint Hardy to approve Rock in the Park Sunday's in June at Sportsman Park for two hours. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.
035. The following resolution was offered by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Ronnie Hayes.

RESOLUTION NO. 003-2023  
Resolution supporting National Community Development

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Week from April 10 – 14, 2023. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

036. It was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer to accept Marcus Crochet, Police Chief recommendation to hire Mary Janise as secretary for the police department. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

037. The board agreed to allow Ms. Markita Cummings to donate bench at Bethune Park in memory of her brother Martin “Chico” Cummings on Monday, May 29, 2023.

Mr. Robbie Vanicor, Recreation Director gave a report saying he has 22 teams for Recreation baseball with 259 kids in the program. He stated that the shirts and hats were donated for all teams. He reported they will have a football camp the 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend in July and it will be free to Welsh residents. The camp will be for kids from 5 – 12 years of age.

038. There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Ms. Andrea King to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

ATTEST:

APPROVAL:

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EVA C. KIBODEAUX, TOWN CLERK

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KARL ARCENEUX, MAYOR