

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

TOWN OF WELSH
WELSH, LOUISIANA
NOVEMBER 7, 2023

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Welsh met in regular session at the Welsh Council Room on Tuesday, November 7, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Karl Arceneaux called the meeting to order. Mrs. Jackie Balmer delivered the invocation. Ms. Andrea King 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, and Richard Arceneaux, Town Attorney.

143. It was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Clint Hardy to adopt the agenda of the day which consists of #159. Approve subdivision for Kevin & Tracy LeJeune & #160. Discuss Christmas Event on Saturday, December 2, 2023. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.
144. It was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Mr. Lawrence Mier to approve the minutes of October 3 & 17, 2023 as presented. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.
154. It was moved by Ms. Andrea King, seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer to give Mr. Jim Lott another 30 days to see if he could possibly sell the property located at 1110 S. Adams St. He needs to report back at the December 5, 2023 meeting. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.
155. It was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Ms. Andrea King to give Mr. Dale Hughes 60 days to clean up the façade of the building located at 208 S. Adams St. and report back at the January 2, 2024 meeting. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.
It was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Ronnie Hayes to give Mr. Dale Hughes 60 days to list the property located at 107/109 E. South St. and report back at the January 2, 2024 meeting. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.
156. It was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Ronnie Hayes to give Mr. Jonathan Wilson 30 days to update the building permit for the property located at 511 Beaufort St. and report back at the December 5, 2023 meeting. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.
145. It was moved by Mr. Clint Hardy, seconded by Mr. Lawrence Mier to approve the financial statement for September 30, 2023. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.
146. Mayor Arceneaux opened the public hearing on Proposition No. 338 Ordinance No. 840 to levy the sales tax for the Welsh Economic Development District No. 1. There were no comments.
It was moved by Mr. Clint Hardy, seconded by Mr. Ronnie Hayes to close the public hearing. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.
147. Mayor Arceneaux opened the public hearing on Proposition No. 339 Ordinance No. 841 to amend building regulations. There were no comments.
It was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer to close the public hearing. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.
148. The following resolution was offered by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer.

RESOLUTION 17-2023

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A resolution authorizing the execution of the contract for legal services agreement related to AFFF/PRAS Litigation Services.
Motion carried. Vote 5-0.

149. The following resolution was offered for adoption by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Lawrence Mier.

RESOLUTION 18-2023

A resolution authorizing the execution of a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement by and between the Town of Welsh, State of Louisiana, And the Welsh Economic Development District No. 1, State of Louisiana; providing for other matters in connection therewith.
Motion carried. Vote 5-0.

150. The following resolution was offered for adoption by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Lawrence Mier.

RESOLUTION 019-2023

A resolution authorizing the execution of a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement by and between the Welsh Economic Development District No. 1, State of Louisiana, and the Town of Welsh, State of Louisiana; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.
Motion carried. Vote 5-0.

151. The following resolution was offered by Mr. Lawrence Mier, seconded by Mr. Clint Hardy and duly resolved.

RESOLUTION 020-2023

A resolution requesting financial assistance from the State of Louisiana under the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Local Government Assistance Program and Community Water Enrichment Fund Program. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.

152. The following ordinance having been introduced at a duly convened meeting on October 3, 2023, was offered for final adoption by Ms. Andrea King, seconded by Mr. Lawrence Mier.

PROPOSITION NO. 338 ORDINANCE NO. 840

An ordinance authorizing the levy of a sales tax within the Welsh Economic Development District No. 1, State of Louisiana; directing that such sales tax in the District will be used to provide funds for Economic development projects in accordance with and as authorized by Part II Chapter 27 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

Yeas: Andrea King, Ronnie Hayes, Lawrence Mier, Clint Hardy, Jackie Balmer.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Motion carried. Vote 5-0.

153. The following ordinance was moved for adoption by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Ronnie Hayes.

PROPOSITION NO. 339 ORDINANCE NO. 841

An ordinance amending Chapter 7-Building and Building Regulations Article IV-Building Codes, to add Section 7-63, Section 7-64, and Section 7-65 in connection with Building Codes.

Yeas: Andrea King, Ronnie Hayes, Lawrence Mier, Clint Hardy, Jackie Balmer.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Motion carried. Vote 5-0.

157. It was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, to reappoint Mr. Ronnie Petree to the Jeff Davis Tourist Commission Board with the term to expire on

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December 31, 2023. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.

158. It was moved by Mr. Lawrence Mier, seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer to surplus the 2011 Ford F-150 Vin #1FTMF1CM4BKDE53014 to surplus at Kenjabruch Auction. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.
159. It was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Ronnie Hayes to approve the variance for the subdivision for Kevin & Tracy LeJeune. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.
160. It was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer to close E. South St. from S. Adams to S. Elms St. for the Christmas Event on Saturday, December 2, 2023 from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Vote 5-0.
161. There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Mr. Lawrence Mier to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.

ATTEST:

APPROVAL:

EVA C. KIBODEAUX, TOWN CLERK

KARL ARCENEUX, MAYOR