

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

TOWN OF WELSH  
WELSH, LOUISIANA  
FEBRUARY 2, 2021

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Welsh met in regular session at the Welsh Council Room on Tuesday, February 2, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Karl Arceneaux called the meeting to order and Mrs. Jackie Balmer delivered the invocation. Mr. Lawrence Mier 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, Marcus Crochet, Police Chief and John Hall, Fire Chief.

016. It was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Clint Hardy to adopt the agenda of the day which consists of #026. Surplus 2011 Ford Crown Victoria Vin# 2FABP7BVXB11895, #027. Surplus Kohler Generator Model #80REOZJB Serial #0762275, #028. Marcus Crochet to discuss moving Kary Derouen from Serve officer to a part time patrolman, #029. Marcus Crochet to discuss moving Stephen Iguess from reserve officer to a part time patrolman, #030. Marcus Crochet to hire Daniel Peshoff as a part time patrolman, and #031. Alderman Andrea King to discuss Eastridge Cemetery. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.
017. It was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Mr. Lawrence Mier to approve the minutes of January 5, & 27, 2021 as presented. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.
018. It was moved by Ms. Andrea King, seconded by Mr. Clint Hardy to set the public hearing on Proposition No. 301 Ordinance 803 to update building codes for Tuesday, March 2, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.
019. Mr. Jason Guillory from McElroy, Quirk and Burch gave a report on the audit ending May 31, 2020. He gave a brief discussion on revenues the town receives from different sources and explained the difference of the different funds. He stated overall we had a good audit we just had the same two write ups which is normal for a small town. It was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Ronnie Hayes to accept the audit report as presented. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.
020. It was moved Mr. Lawrence Mier, seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer to appoint Karl Arceneaux as a board member to the LEPA board and Mr. Clint Hardy as an alternate. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.
021. Mr. Marcus Prudhomme stated that he is building a fence at 910 Martin Luther King. It is going to be a 6' wooden privacy fence and stated that he was going to have a gate to go in out of the fence. He said he keeps the grass mowed at all times and they don't have rodents. The cars are being repaired or sold at this time. It was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Ronnie Hayes to give Mr. Marcus Prudhomme 30 days to build the fence at 910 Martin Luther King St. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.
022. Action was deferred on condemning of property located at 411 E. Grove St. because the heirs of the property were not properly notified.
023. Action was deferred on condemning of property located at 108 Cooper they have already demolished the home.

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024. It was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer to send a certified letter to Mr. Richard Arceneaux in reference to the house located at 401 Floyd St. to either demolish or repair the home in 30 days or the home will be condemned. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.
025. It was moved by Mr. Lawrence Mier, seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer to allow the variance for Mr. Will Chaisson with the conditions that the electrical & plumbing will be above the base floor elevation and he will provide us with a flood elevation certificate. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.
026. It was moved by Mr. Clint Hardy, seconded by Mr. Ronnie Hayes to surplus 2011 Ford Crown Victoria VIN # 2FABP7BVXBX118895 and send to Kenjabruch. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.
027. It was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Clint Hardy to surplus the Kohler generator Model #890REOZJB Serial #0762275 and send to Kenjabruch. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.
028. It was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer to accept the recommendation from Marcus Crochet, Police Chief to move Kary Derouen from reserve officer to part time patrolman with a 90 day probation period. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.
029. It was moved by Mr. Lawrence Mier, seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer to accept the recommendation from Marcus Crochet, Police Chief to move Stephen Iguess from reserve officer to part time patrolman with a 90 day probation period. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.
030. It was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer to accept the recommendation from Marcus Crochet, Police Chief to hire Daniel Peshoff as a part time patrolman with a 90 day probation period. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.
031. Alderman Andrea King stated that Mary Sue Lyon closed off the selling of cemetery plots on the north side of Eastridge Cemetery in 2013. She asked who decided to start selling the plots on the north side of Eastridge Cemetery. The clerk stated that Carolyn Louviere said if someone wanted to be buried by a loved one she would allow for the selling of the cemetery plots. We stated we would research the minutes and find out the information for the next council meeting.
032. There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Clint Hardy, seconded by Ms. Andrea King 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