

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

TOWN OF WELSH
WELSH, LOUISIANA
MAY 2, 2023

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Welsh met in regular session at the Welsh Council Room on Tuesday, May 2, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Karl Arceneaux called the meeting to order. Mrs. Jackie Balmer delivered the invocation. Mr. Clint Hardy 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, and Richard Arceneaux, Town Attorney.

041. There was no agenda of the day.

042. It was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Ronnie Hayes to approve the minutes of April 4, 2023 as presented. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

043. It was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Mr. Clint Hardy to approve the financial statement for March 31, 2023. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

044. Mayor Arceneaux opened the public hearing for Proposition No. 329 Ordinance No. 831 to amend budget for 2022 – 2023. There were no public comments. It was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer to close the public hearing. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

045. Mayor Arceneaux opened the public hearing for Proposition No. 330 Ordinance No. 832 to adopt budget for 2023 – 2024. There were no public comments. It was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Mr. Clint Hardy to close the public hearing. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

046. The following resolution was offered by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Ms. Andrea King.

RESOLUTION NO. 004-2023

To adopt the 2023 Jefferson Davis Parish Multi Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

047. The following resolution was offered by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer.

RESOLUTION NO. 005-2023

Resolution authorizing Mayor Karl Arceneaux to sign cooperative Agreement with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development for Frontage Road turn lane. Motion carried. Vote 3-1.

048. The following ordinance was moved for adoption by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Clint Hardy.

PROPOSITION NO. 329 ORDINANCE NO. 831

An Ordinance amending a budget for the Town of Welsh, Louisiana, For the fiscal year 2022 – 2023. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

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

PROPOSITION NO. 330 ORDINANCE NO. 832

An Ordinance amending, adopting, and enacting a budget for the

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Town of Welsh, Louisiana, for the fiscal year 2023 and 2024.
Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

050. It was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Ms. Andrea King to approve the bid from Morcore Roofing in the amount of \$62,550.00 to reroof the Old Dollar Store Building. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.
051. It was moved by Ms. Andrea King, seconded by Mr. Clint Hardy to remove Ms. Jessie Freeland from Welsh Housing Authority Board and appoint Ms. Myra Harmon to expire on August 31, 2024.
Motion carried. Vote 4-0.
052. General discussion was held in regards to the auto repair shops in the Town.
053. General discussion was held in regards to old signs at abandoned businesses.
054. It was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer to hire grant consultant HGA. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.
055. It was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer to condemn the house located at 315 W. South St. We need to send notice to property owner and notify him we are having a public hearing on June 6, 2023 to demolish the house. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.
056. There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

ATTEST:

APPROVAL:

EVA C. KIBODEAUX, TOWN CLERK

KARL ARCENEUX, MAYOR