

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

TOWN OF WELSH
WELSH, LOUISIANA
OCTOBER 6, 2020

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Welsh met in regular session at the Welsh Council Room on Tuesday, October 6, 2020, at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Carolyn Louviere called the meeting to order and delivered the invocation. Mrs. Jackie Balmer led the pledge.

Roll call follows:

Present: Mayor Carolyn Louviere; Aldermen: Andrea King, Lawrence Mier, Colby Perry, Jackie Balmer.

Absent: Rodney Trahan.

Others in attendance: Eva Kibodeaux, Town Clerk, Michelle Ramagos, Recreation Director, John Hall, Fire Chief, Marcus Crochet, Police Chief and Tracy Goodwin, Co-Superintendent.

106. It was moved by Mr. Lawrence Mier, seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer to adopt the agenda of the day which consists of #111. Grant Eddie Breaux hardship variance for camper, and 112. Grant mayor and superintendents hardship variance for campers. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

107. It was moved by Ms. Andrea King, seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer to approve the minutes of September 8, 2020 as presented. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

108. It was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Ms. Andrea King to introduce Proposition No. 298 Ordinance No. 800 an ordinance amending Chapter 17, solid waste, of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Welsh, Louisiana and set the public hearing on Tuesday, November 10, 2020.

Roll call vote follows:

Yeas: Andrea King, Lawrence Mier, Colby Perry, Jackie Balmer

Nays: None

Absent: Rodney Trahan

Abstaining: None

Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

109. It was moved by Mr. Lawrence Mier, seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer to reappoint Ms. Jessie Freeland to the Welsh Housing Authority Board. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

110. It was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Lawrence Mier to set trick or Treat hours on Saturday, October 31, 2020 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Roll call vote follows:

Yeas: Andrea King, Lawrence Mier, Colby Perry, Jackie Balmer

Nays: None

Absent: Rodney Trahan

Abstaining: None

Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

111. It was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Colby Perry to grant Eddie Breaux a hardship variance to reside in a camper while tearing down current home and Rebuilding.

Roll call vote follows:

Yeas: Andrea King, Lawrence Mier, Colby Perry, Jackie Balmer

Nays: None

Absent: Rodney Trahan

Abstaining: None

Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

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112. It was moved by Mr.Colby Perry, seconded by Mr. Lawrence Mier to authorize the Mayor and superintendent the authority to grant hardship variance for citizens needing to reside in a camper while making repairs to their home due to Hurricane Laura.

Roll call follows:

Yeas: Andrea King, Lawrence Mier, Colby Perry, Jackie Balmer

Nays: None

Absent: Rodney Trahan

Abstaining: None

Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

Mayor Carolyn Louviere stated that we would have a meeting at a later date to go over the water & sewer rate study by Louisiana Rural Water Association.

Michelle Ramagos, Recreation Director reported that the two dug outs at Richmond Park were torn apart from fence due to Hurricane Laura, we had one branch down at Bethune Park, Sportsman Park had one dug out totally demolished, little field fencing is leaning and could be placed back up, big field had a lot of fence damage and the girls softball field did also. The pool house, pavilion and recreation office were damaged. We are charging the campers a flat rate fee for the month to stay at the camper sites. We had a total of 26 trees down in Sportsman Park.

John Hall, Fire Chief brought up that they have a tree located by the generator and power lines at the police and fire station that needs to come down not to fall on generator and power lines. He stated they do have plans for tractors and equipment if Hurricane Delta does come our direction, but we have a clearer picture tomorrow after lunch.

Marcus Crochet, Police Chief stated they are on stand by for Hurricane Delta. They are saying it could hit between Vermillion Bay and White Lake which is 70 miles away from the Town of Welsh. He stated he is in contact with Roger Erickson with the National Weather Service.

113. There being no further business, it was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Lawrence Mier to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

ATTEST:

APPROVAL:

EVA C. KIBODEAUX, TOWN CLERK

CAROLYN LOUVIERE, MAYOR