

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN
TOWN OF WELSH
WELSH, LOUISIANA
AUGUST 6, 2019

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Welsh met in regular session at the Welsh Council Room on Tuesday, August 6, 2019, at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Carolyn Louviere called the meeting to order and Mrs. Michelle Ramagos led the pledge. Roll call follows:

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

Absent: Rodney Trahan, Colby Perry.

Others in attendance: Eva Kibodeaux, Town Clerk, Terry Guillory, Police Investigator, Michelle Ramagos, Recreation Director, Tracy Goodwin, Co-Superintendent and Chris LeBouef, Water Operator.

97. It was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Lawrence Mier to adopt the agenda of the day which consists of #108. Marcus Crochet wants to change Christopher James from part time to full time, #109. Bibble Joubert to discuss water. Motion carried. Vote 3-0.

98. It was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Ms. Andrea King to approve the minutes of July 2, 2019 as presented. Motion carried. Vote 3-0.

99. Mayor Carolyn Louviere opened public hearing for Proposition No. 284 Ordinance No. 786 to amend 2018 – 2019 budget. Mayor Louviere stated we were amending the budget for excess in revenues of \$334,000. No other comments were made during the public hearing.

It was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Lawrence Mier to close the public hearing. Motion carried. Vote 3-0.

100. Mayor Carolyn Louviere opened public hearing for Proposition No. 285 Ordinance No. 787 to rezone Block 38 of Welsh Op which is where the old clinic was located to change Zoning from Residential District to Business District. Mayor Louviere stated that they are looking at other pieces of property to locate the clinic. So it is not necessary for us to move forward with this change. Mrs. Emily Gay asked if the property was going to stay as a Residential District. Mayor Louviere stated that it would definitely stay as a Residential District. No other comments were made during the public hearing.

It was moved by Mr. Lawrence Mier, seconded by Ms. Andrea King to close the public hearing. Motion carried. Vote 3-0.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 006-2019

A resolution for the Town of Welsh to transfer funds from General Fund to Welsh Police Department and Maintenance Bank Account.

Roll call vote:

Yeas: Andrea King, Lawrence Mier, Jackie Balmer

Nays: None

Abstaining: None.

Absent: Rodney Trahan, Colby Perry

Motion carried. Vote 3-0.

102. The following resolution was offered by Mr. Lawrence Mier, seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer and duly resolved.

RESOLUTION NO. 007-2019

A resolution requesting financial assistance from the State of Louisiana under the Fiscal Year 2019 – 2020 Local Government Assistance Program and Community Water Enrichment Fund Program.

Roll call vote:

Yeas: Andrea King, Lawrence Mier, Jackie Balmer

Nays: None

Abstaining: None

Absent: Rodney Trahan, Colby Perry

Motion carried. Vote 3-0.

103. The following ordinance was moved for adoption by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Lawrence Mier.

PROPOSITION NO. 284 ORDINANCE NO. 786

An Ordinance amending a Budget for the Town of Welsh, Louisiana

for the Fiscal Year 2018 – 2019.

Roll call vote:

Yeas: Andrea King, Lawrence Mier, Jackie Balmer

Nays: None

Abstaining: None

Absent: None

Motion carried. Vote 3-0.

104. No action was taken on this line item.

105. It was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Ms. Andrea King to approve the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire. Motion carried. Vote 3-0.

106. Michelle Ramagos, Recreation Director made a recommendation to the Mayor and Board of Alderman that we increase the tournament fees for the use of the baseball field at Sportsman Park. Mrs. Ramagos, recommend that we increase the tournament fees from \$250 to \$500.

It was moved by Ms. Andrea King, seconded by Mr. Lawrence Mier to increase the Tournament fees from \$250 to \$500.

Roll call vote:

Yeas: Andrea King, Lawrence Mier, Jackie Balmer

Nays: None

Abstaining: None

Absent: Rodney Trahan, Colby Perry

Motion carried. Vote 3-0.

107. It was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Lawrence Mier to adopt the agreement for Emergency Assistance by and between the LEPA Member Cities. Motion carried. Vote 3-0.

108. It was moved by Mrs. Jackie Balmer, seconded by Mr. Lawrence Mier to move Christopher James from part time patrol to full time patrol. Motion carried. Vote 3-0.

109. Bibble Joubert brought up she is still having issues with discolored water at her home located at 1405 Millard. Mayor Louviere called Chris LeBouef, Water Operator to the come speak about Ms. Joubert situation. Chris LeBouef stated to Ms. Joubert that is currently on an old galvanized line. The Town could replace her service line from the old galvanized line to PVC, but then Ms. Joubert would also have to change out her line from her residence to the water meter to a PVC line also for her water to improve. He stated that he would compile a list of supplies that would be needed to move forward with replacing the water line.

110. There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Lawrence Mier, seconded by Mrs. Jackie Balmer to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Vote 3-0.

ATTEST:

APPROVAL:

EVA C. KIBODEAUX, TOWN CLERK

CAROLYN LOUVIERE, MAYOR