

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

TOWN OF WELSH
WELSH, LOUISIANA
FEBRUARY 2, 2023

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

Mayor Karl Arceneaux called the meeting to order and he also delivered the invocation. Mr. Clint Hardy led the pledge.

Roll call follows:

Present: Mayor Karl Arceneaux; Aldermen: Andrea King, Ronnie Hayes, Lawrence Mier, Clint Hardy.

Absent: Jackie Balmer.

Others in attendance: Eva Kibodeaux, Town Clerk, Richard Arceneaux, Town Attorney and Marcus Crochet, Police Chief.

006. It was moved by Ms. Andrea King, seconded by Mr. Ronnie Hayes to adopt the agenda of the day which consists of #010. Marcus Crochet, Police to hire full time patrolman Cohen LeBlanc and Ethen Miller and #011. Mayor Karl Arceneaux to take bids under advisement, #012. Resolution 01-2023 authorize the mayor to sign cooperative endeavor agreement for the airport and #013. Daphne Duplichan discuss Center St. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

007. It was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Mr. Lawrence Mier to approve the minutes of January 3, 2023 as presented. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

008. It was moved by Mr. Clint Hardy, seconded by Mr. Ronnie Hayes to approve the financial statement for December 31, 2022. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

009. It was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Mr. Lawrence Mier to authorize the Mayor to sign and enter into a cooperative endeavor agreement with the parish for the veteran's services. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

010. It was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Mr. Clint Hardy to accept the recommendation from Marcus Crochet, Police Chief to hire Cohen LeBlanc with a 90 day probationary period. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

It was moved by Mr. Ronnie Hayes, seconded by Mr. Lawrence Mier to accept the recommendation from Marcus Crochet, Police Chief to hire Ethen Miller with a 90 day probationary period. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

011. It was moved by Ms. Andrea King, seconded by Mr. Ronnie Hayes to take the bids under advisement for RFP for grant consultant. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

012. The following resolution was offered by Mr. Lawrence Mier, seconded by Mr. Clint Hardy.

RESOLUTION #001-2023

A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (LA DOTD) for improvement at the Welsh Airport. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

013. Ms. Daphne Duplichan complained about the condition of Center St. being full of pot holes. Mayor Arceneaux advised that the Town has been filling the pot holes. She stated that it doesn't stay long because of the rain and the buses passing down the road. The Mayor stated that we would go and put in more limestone at a later date.

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Mayor Arceneaux stated that he met with Meyer & Associates they are waiting to hear from the state before we can advertise for bids and the Frontage Rd. bids have been sent for the survey and the deadline is Friday, February 3, 2023. He stated that the street project has started and also he is looking to get N. Joseph and Elizabeth repaved in March. He said he met with developers of the Truck Stop to be located North of Henderson Implement and it is moving forward but we may need to get a tif for economic development for that piece of land to help pay for the road work at DOTD is wanting done.

014. There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Clint Hardy, seconded by Mr. Lawrence Mier to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Vote 4-0.

ATTEST:

APPROVAL:

EVA C. KIBODEAUX, TOWN CLERK

KARL ARCENEUX, MAYOR