

July 21, 2014

Town of Golden Meadow
107 Jervis Drive
Golden Meadow, LA 70357

The Mayor and Council of the Town of Golden Meadow met for their regular scheduled meeting on Monday, July 21, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. at the Town Hall, 107 Jervis Drive, Golden Meadow, LA 70357.

Those present were: Mayor Joey Bouziga
Councilman David Adams
Councilman Jody Cheramie
Councilman Lindberg Lorraine
Councilman Priscilla Mounic
Councilman Willis Toups

Others attending were Bryce Autin, Heidi Bruce, Ross Bruce, Nick Collins, Jessica Danos, Toby Dardar, Elizabeth Diaz, Sandra Duet, Madona Dufrene, Austin Gaspard, Carl Gaspard, Rhea Gaspard, Tammy Gaspard, Raymond Gonzales, Salvador Gonzalez, Jr., Salvador Gonzalez, Sr., Michael Guidry, Michael Guidry, Sr., Buffy Lafont, Gail Lafont, Jacob Lafont, Larry Lafont, Tad Lafont, Kirk Lee, Matthew Lee, Torie Lee, Lorrie Legleu, Jamie Liner, Robert Jalbert, Daniel Lorraine, Marla Naquin, Braxton Pitre, Dawn Pitre, Chief Reggie Pitre, Terrell Pitre, John Plaisance, and Dianne Toups.

Mayor Joey Bouziga called this meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Councilman David Adams led everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and Councilman Jody Cheramie led everyone in prayer.

Councilman Willis Toups presented a motion and Councilman Jody Cheramie seconded approving minutes from the previous meeting held on Monday, July 7, 2014. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mayor Joey Bouziga informed the Council no building permits or Occupational Licenses were submitted for approval.

Mayor Joey Bouziga presented the clean-up report as follows:

- Louis Adam Griffin/Jerry Griffin – 143 Griffin Lane was sent a clean-up letter.
- Harris Kief Estate/Genevieve Elliot property off of Cliff's Lane was sent a clean-up letter. The deadline to clean and cut grass is August 4, 2014.

Mayor Joey Bouziga presented the dangerous building report as follows:

- Dinah Stallings – 508 South Bayou Drive received a letter from Attorney Bryce Autin requesting she attend Council meetings to keep the Council abreast of improvements. Councilman David Adams presented a motion and Councilman Jody Cheramie seconded approving Ms. Dinah Stalling an extension to conduct repairs. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

- Natilus Alario Sr., Estate/ Natilus Alario, Jr., 713-A North Bayou Drive was given a deadline of August 4, 2014 to demolish the dangerous building located on their property.

Engineer John Plaisance presented the project report as follows:

- Sewer North Plant Upgrades – We are processing paperwork.
- Sewer Phase IV – Acquiring rights-of-ways.
- Sewer Phase V –Waiting on funding.
- Seawall Phase II – Councilman Willis Toups presented a motion and Councilman David Adams seconded approving Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$17,845.00. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented. Councilman Priscilla Mounic presented a motion and Councilman Lindberg Lorraine seconded approving the Substantial Completion of the Seawall Project.
- Seawall Phase I Repairs – Upon the recommendation of Attorney Bryce Autin, Councilman David Adams presented a motion and Councilman Priscilla Mounic seconded approving Dupre Brothers Construction Company the lowest bidder in the amount of \$321,500.00 for Seawall Phase I Repairs. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.
- Seawall Phase III – Waiting on additional funding. Working with other entities to acquire matching funds in the amount of \$348,000.00. Councilman David Adams presented a motion and Councilman Jody Cheramie seconded authorizing Engineer John Plaisance and Mayor Joey Bouziga precede with the Seawall Phase III Project. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.
- Fuel System – Fire Marshall is requiring a fence be installed in order to begin using the system. The fence will cost \$5,200.00.
- Basketball Pavilion is complete except for cleaning around the project area. Mayor Joey Bouziga is working on having new basketball goals donated to the Town.
- Town Hall Improvements Project – Mayor Joey Bouziga informed the Council 5 bids were received for construction with Picciola Construction being the lowest bidder at \$540,000.00. The grant awarded is in the amount of \$440,000.00 which makes the project short about \$70,000.00 with engineering costs and no alternates. Councilman David Adams presented a motion and Councilman Willis Toups seconded approving the lowest bid of \$540,000.00 without alternates and the Town absorbs the overage in the amount of \$70,000.00. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Attorney Bryce Autin presented the legal report as follows:

- Sewer Ordinance continues to be drafted. Mayor Joey Bouziga requested a repair clause be added into the ordinance. If Town employees are called to repair a sewer line and the repairs are on the property owner's side, the Town will bill the property owner for any repairs conducted.

- Unpaid Taxes and Clean-ups are in the process of being taken over by LAMATS.
- No updates on unpaid sewer bills.
- Property swaps for TK's property and Boudreaux's property are waiting on the public hearings.

Councilman David Adams presented a motion and Councilman Priscilla Mounic seconded approving police salaries be deferred until the next meeting. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Councilman Priscilla Mounic presented a motion and Councilman David Adams seconded deferring the adoption of a Resolution authorizing Mayor Joey Bouziga to sign and enter into a lease agreement with the Lafourche Parish Government for Oakridge Park. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Councilman Lindberg Lorraine presented a motion and Councilman Jody Cheramie seconded approving advertisement for the sale of the old fuel tanks. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Councilman David Adams presented a motion and Councilman Jody Cheramie seconded approving a tall grass and clean-up letter be sent to the property owner of a lot located on Chouest Lane. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Councilman Priscilla Mounic presented a motion and Councilman David Adams seconded approving a tall grass and clean-up letter be sent to the property owners of 128 and 142 B & R Lane. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mayor Joey Bouziga and Council members presented members of the South Lafourche Tarpons 11U USSA Allstar Team with certificates for winning the National Championship. A certificate was also presented to the Home Run Derby Championship 10 years old and under.

Councilman Priscilla Mounic presented a motion and Councilman David Adams seconded adopting a Resolution in support, endorsement, and recommendation for Amtrak Passage Rail Service in North Louisiana. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Councilman Priscilla Mounic presented a motion and Councilman David Adams seconded approving a public hearing be held to discuss changes in the building code fees. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mayor Joey Bouziga informed the Council National Night Against Crime will be held at the Town Hall on August 5, 2014 at 6:00 P.M.

Mayor Joey Bouziga informed the Council funds remained after the completion of the Oakridge Park Waterline Project. Mayor Joey Bouziga suggested the funds be used to construct a waterline from the Town Hall to the new maintenance building being constructed in the next few months. Councilman Willis Toups presented a motion and Councilman Jody Cheramie seconded approving the funds be used to construct and install

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a waterline from the Town Hall to the new Town Maintenance Building. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mayor Joey Bouziga presented the 2nd Quarter Finance Report.

Mayor Bouziga requested new business.

Chief Reggie Pitre requested police employees be added to the agenda. No audience comments were presented, Councilman Jody Cheramie presented a motion and Councilman Willis Toups seconded approving Chief Reggie Pitre add the aforesaid to the agenda. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Chief Reggie Pitre informed the Council Ashley Pollard resigned from the police force. Chief Reggie Pitre requested approval to advertise for police officer. Councilman David Adams presented a motion and Councilman Willis Toups seconded approving the advertisement for police officer. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mayor Joey Bouziga requested audience comments.

Mr. Raymond Gonzales requested the Town check a drainage problem at the end of Town. Mayor Joey Bouziga informed Mr. Gonzales he would send the Town Foreman to check it out the problem and we would request assistance from DOTD. Councilman Jody Cheramie presented a motion and Councilman David Adams seconded approving a letter be sent to DOTD regarding the digging of ditches along Alex Plaisance Blvd. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented. Mr. Gonzales also requested assistance with trash removal.

Lafourche Parish Councilman Daniel Lorraine discussed a few projects the Parish is assisting the Town with.

Mayor Joey Bouziga requested adding Ernest Cheramie sewer to the agenda. No audience comments were presented. Councilman Jody Cheramie presented a motion and Councilman Lindberg Lorraine seconded approving the aforesaid to the agenda. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mayor Joey Bouziga informed the Council upon surveying of property owned by Ernest and Donna Cheramie, Engineer John Plaisance informed the Mayor and Council the Cheramie property is outside the sewer district area and it would not be feasible for them to connect to Town sewer. Councilman Priscilla Mounic presented a motion and Councilman Lindberg Lorraine seconded approving Ernest and Donna Cheramie be exempt for paying Town sewer and refunded what they have already paid. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

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With no further business to discuss, Councilman Priscilla Mounic presented a motion and Councilman David Adams seconded adjourning this meeting at 7:45 P.M. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

MAYOR JOEY BOUZIGA

ATTESTED:

JAMIE LINER, TOWN CLERK