

January 19, 2021

Town of Golden Meadow
723 North Bayou Drive
Golden Meadow, LA 70357

The Mayor and Council of the Town of Golden Meadow met for their regular rescheduled meeting on Tuesday, January 19, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. at the LaSalette Center, a special meeting place due to Covid-19 restrictions, 723 North Bayou Drive, Golden Meadow, LA 70357.

Those present were: Mayor Joey Bouziga
Councilman Mike Billiot
Councilman Kip Plaisance
Councilman Laci Latiolais

Those absent were: Councilman Jody Cheramie

Others attending were Bryce Autin, Doug Cheramie, Ethan Cheramie, Devin Dedon, Chief Troy Dufrene, Salvador Gonzalez, Jr., Uria Lassaigne, William Lerille, Jamie Liner, John Plaisance, Carroll Terrebonne, and Kyle Williams.

Councilman Willis Toups led everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and Mr. John Plaisance led everyone in prayer.

Councilman Willis Toups presented a motion and Councilman Kip Plaisance seconded approving the minutes from the Council meeting held on January 4, 2021. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mayor Joey Bouziga presented the Building Permit Applications as follows:

- Morris Hunter – RV Park is in the process of being advertised.
- Gaubert Oil Company – RV Park is scheduled for a Planning and Zoning Meeting and Board of Adjustments Meeting on February 15, 2021.

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

Town Engineer John Plaisance presented the project as follows:

- Sewer Phase IV – Three manholes need to be reset.
- Sewer Phase VI – The plant has been received and the project is almost ready for substantial completion.
- Handicap parking and sidewalk in Oakridge Park is almost complete.
- North Sewer Plant Upgrades is still waiting on paperwork from the State.

Attorney Bryce Autin presented the legal report as follows:

- Chief Dufrene, Councilman Latiolais, and Attorney Autin met and discussed the pros and cons of automated speed cameras. At the end of the meeting there were a few questions asked that maybe answered at the next Council meeting.
- 126 B & R Lane letter was delivered today. The property owner has 15 days to respond to the letter.
- Councilman Mike Billiot presented a motion and Councilman Kip Plaisance seconded approving the update on Lenward P. Hebert be deferred until the end of the meeting due to request to discuss in executive session. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

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Chief Troy Dufrene requested an advertisement for Police Officer due to the resignation of Officer Jude Pierce. Councilman Mike Billiot presented a motion and Councilman Kip Plaisance seconded approving the advertisement for Police Officer. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Chief Troy Dufrene presented the December 2020 Police Department stats.

Mayor Joey Bouziga asked Chief Troy Dufrene if the Town was left unattended over the weekend. Chief Troy Dufrene stated the day man worked until 10:00 P.M. and after that, LPSO covered complaints in Town.

Councilman Kip Plaisance presented a motion and Councilman Willis Toups seconded approving Mayor Joey Bouziga execute the Engagement with Bourgeois Bennett for audit services for the year ending December 31, 2020. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Councilman Willis Toups presented a motion and Councilman Kip Plaisance seconded approving Mayor Joey Bouziga execute an Agreement with Fontenot Benefits & Actuarial Consulting to compile the information for GASB Statements 75 Calculations on other Postemployment Benefits. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Sewer disconnects – 162 B & R Lane and 152 Armand Street. Councilman Willis Toups presented a motion and Councilman Kip Plaisance seconded approving Bryce move forward with the trailer at 152 Armand Street which is off the blocks. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented. Councilman Kip Plaisance presented a motion and Councilman Willis Toups seconded approving Attorney Bryce Autin send a letter informing the property owners they have two weeks to pay their sewer bills. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented. Councilman Kip Plaisance stated he visited with one of the property owners and he did agree to pay.

Councilman Kip Plaisance requested adding 166-A B & R Lane to the agenda. Mayor Joey Bouziga requested any questions or objections to adding to the agenda. With no questions or objections Councilman Kip Plaisance presented a motion and Councilman Laci Latiolais seconded approving Councilman Kip Plaisance add the aforesaid to the agenda. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Councilman Kip Plaisance asked if 166-A B & R Lane was part of the sewer disconnect discussion from earlier. Mayor Joey Bouziga stated he was not familiar with all the addresses. Councilman Kip Plaisance stated the trailer at 166-A B & R Lane no longer existed. Mayor stated if someone had a building no longer existing, it is the property owner who needs to report it to the Town Hall.

Councilman Kip Plaisance requested adding the mobile home located at 102 Louviere Lane and the building at 1504 South Bayou Drive to the agenda. Mayor Joey Bouziga requested any questions or objections to adding to the agenda. With no questions or objections Councilman Kip Plaisance presented a motion and Councilman Willis Toups seconded approving Councilman Kip Plaisance add the aforesaid to the agenda. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Councilman Kip Plaisance stated the mobile home located at 102 Louviere has some roof and porch damage from Hurricane Zeta that can cause serious damage to other properties. Councilman Laci Latiolais presented a motion and Councilman Kip Plaisance seconded approving the property owner be sent a letter regarding the damages. The Councilman unanimously approved the motion as presented.

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Councilman Kip Plaisance stated the building located at 1504 South Bayou Drive is creating a hazardous condition. Mr. Carrol Terrebonne stated some days there are lights on and other times it's dark. Councilman Laci Latiolais presented a motion and Councilman Willis Toups seconded approving the Fire Marshall be contacted to inspect the building for any hazards. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Councilman Kip Plaisance stated he would like to recognize the passing of Mrs. Lorraine Bouzigard. Mrs. Bouzigard spearheaded the Golden Meadow Library and the Golden Meadow Historical Museum.

Mayor Joey Bouziga called for audience comments.

Mr. Uriah Lassaigne stated the trees on Callais Lane were cut and all the lights were fixed but at 198 Callais lane. The Town Clerk said it was sent in, but Entergy will be contacted.

Councilman Mike Billiot presented a motion and Councilman Laci Latiolais seconded approving the Mayor and Council enter into executive session at 7:32 P.M. to discuss legal matters. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Councilman Willis Toups presented a motion and Councilman Kip Plaisance seconded approving the Mayor and Council return to regular session at 7:42 P.M. with no action taken. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

With no further business to discuss, Councilman Kip Plaisance presented a motion and Councilman Laci Latiolais seconded adjourning the meeting at 7:43 P.M. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

MAYOR JOEY BOUZIGA

ATTESTED:

**JAMIE LINER, TOWN CLERK
ADMINISTRATIVE ASST. TO THE MAYOR**