

April 18, 2022

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, April 18, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. at the Golden Meadow Town Hall, 107 Jervis Drive, Golden Meadow, LA 70357.

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

Those absent were: Councilman Jody Cheramie

Others attending were: August Autin, Bryce Autin, Tracee Cloutier, Wilbur Cloutier, Nicol Dufrene, Troy Dufrene, Dana Friloux, Terry Gaudet, Daniel Lorraine, Roxxy Pitre, John Plaisance, Carroll Terrebonne, Farrell Trahan and Kyle Williams.

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

Mayor Joey Bouziga instructed everyone to refrain from cell phone use until the meeting adjourns.

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

Councilman Mike Billiot presented a motion and Councilman Kip Plaisance seconded the motion as presented approving the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on April 4, 2022.

Mayor Joey Bouziga stated there were no Occupational Licenses submitted for approval.

Mayor Joey Bouziga stated there were no Building Permits submitted for approval.

Town Engineer John Plaisance John Plaisance presented a project update:

- North Sewer Plant Upgrades- Councilman Willis Toups presented a motion and Kip Plaisance seconded the motion as presented to write a letter to the State for additional funds. Voting was as follows: Yeas: Councilman Kip Plaisance, Councilman Willis Toups and Councilman Mike Billiot; Nays: Councilman Laci Latiolais; Absent: Councilman Jody Cheramie.
- Sewer Phase VII LCDBG- Waiting on the State for approval
- Mitigation Project- no update
- Skate Park Pavilion- The Contract was signed
- LGAP- Waiting on the Contractor to send the proposal

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Town Attorney Bryce Autin advised there is no update on 505-C North Bayou Drive.

Town Attorney Bryce Autin advised he reached out to the contractor for the Picciola Bridge.

Chief Troy Dufrene presented the police stats for March.

Councilman Mike Billiot presented a motion and Councilman Willis Toups seconded the motion as presented to purchase new tasers for the Police Department. The tasers are \$14,400 to purchase out right or \$2,880.07 under a yearly contract. The Council agreed to purchase the tasers out right. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Councilman Willis Toups presented a motion and Councilman Kip Plaisance seconded the motion as presented to advertise for a full time Police Officer. Chief Troy Dufrene requested advertising on the Internet. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Councilman Mike Billiot requested adding to the agenda The Port Commission donating 5 laptops to the Town of Golden Meadow and Councilman Willis Toups seconded the motion as presented. Councilman Willis Toups presented a motion and Councilman Kip Plaisance seconded the motion as presented to accept the donation. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Councilman Mike Billiot presented a motion and Councilman Willis Toups seconded the motion to open the floor for discussion to accept the \$8,000 bid for the appraisal of the CD Building. Voting was as follows: Yeas: Councilman Mike Billiot; Nays: Councilman Kip Plaisance, Councilman Willis Toups and Councilman Laci Latiolais Absent: Councilman Jody Cherie. Councilman Laci Latiolais presented a motion and Councilman Kip Plaisance seconded the motion as presented to have the CD Building appraised by a commercial appraiser. Voting was as follows: Yeas: Councilman Kip Plaisance, Councilman Willis Toups and Councilman Laci Latiolais; Nays: Councilman Mike Billiot; Absent Councilman Jody Cherie.

Mayor Joey Bouziga stated 142 Malgum Lane is in the process of getting cleaned up.

Town Engineer John Plaisance advised Mayor Joey Bouziga and the Council that the permit for 115 Mrs. Thomas Pitre Lane has been approved but not yet paid for.

Councilman Kip Plaisance presented a motion and Councilman Willis Toups seconded the motion as presented to fine Mr. Parker for failing to comply with clean-up. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mayor Bouziga advised the Council of a phone conference with FEMA, some progress was made. The estimates should be done in a couple weeks.

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Councilman Laci Latiolais presented a motion and Councilman Kip Plaisance seconded the motion as presented to send out a letter to all home owners of the Town of Golden Meadow to see what their plans are with their homes. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Councilman Laci Latiolais presented a motion and Councilman Kip Plaisance seconded the motion as presented to advertise to hire a Building Official. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mayor Joey Bouziga advised the Council he has no update on the Thomassie Ice Plant.

Councilman Kip Plaisance presented a motion and Councilman Willis Toups seconded the motion as presented to give Mr. Terry Gaudet of 2018 South Bayou Drive 60 days to clean up the property. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mayor Joey Bouziga advised the Council he spoke to Ms. Martha Daigle of 1914 South Bayou Drive, the camper has been moved and FEMA will be tearing down the house.

Councilman Kip Plaisance presented a motion and Councilman Willis Toups seconded the motion as presented to give Mrs. Dana Friloux of 115 Anatole Lane 60 days to clean up the property. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Councilman Willis Toups presented a motion and Councilman Laci Latiolais seconded the motion as presented to approve A Written Resolution to Authorize Newly Elected Officials and Remove Previous Administration for Signing Signature Cards for Town of Golden Meadow Building Fund Checking Account at United Community Bank. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Councilman Willis Toups presented a motion and Councilman Kip Plaisance seconded the motion as presented to approve the March Budget to Actual Finance Report. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Chief Troy Dufrene advised Mayor Joey Bouziga and the Council there is no way to cut overtime in the Police Department schedule due to being short staffed.

Councilman Kip Plaisance presented a motion and Councilman Laci Latiolais seconded the motion as presented to declare the following items as surplus junk:

- Konica Milolta Bizhub 350 Copy Machine
- Speed Radar Trailer
- Kubota ZD331 Zero Turn Lawn Mower 60" deck
- Polaris Ranger 800 EFI 6x6

The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Councilman Willis Toups presented a motion and Councilman Kip Plaisance seconded the motion as presented approving the purchase of a new air conditioner for the Town Hall. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

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Councilman Mike Billiot presented a motion and Councilman Kip Plaisance seconded the motion as presented approving to get picnic tables built for the pavilion with the \$5,000 donation to the park in Memory of Leo and Lucy Bousegard from the Bousegard /Olivier Families.

Chief Troy Dufrene presented the numbers of thefts and break-ins from 2021-2022.

Councilman Kip Plaisance requested the police to patrol on LA 1.

Mayor Bouziga requested audience comments.

Nicol Dufrene asked Mayor Bouziga when the Town Clerk Jamie Liner's last day is, Mayor Joey Bouziga advised Ms. Liner's last day is Thursday April 21, 2022.

With no further business to discuss Councilman Kip Plaisance presented a motion and Councilman Willis Toups seconded adjourning this meeting at 7:47 P.M. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

MAYOR JOEY BOUZIGA

ATTESTED:

ROXXY PITRE, ASST. TOWN CLERK