

**TOWN OF GOLDEN MEADOW REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**Monday, October 21, 2024  
Golden Meadow Town Hall  
107 Jervis Dr.  
Golden Meadow, LA 70357**

Mayor Joey Bouziga was present for the public meeting and called it to order on Monday, October 21, 2024 at 7:00 PM. He instructed everyone to refrain from cell phone use until the meeting adjourns.

Town of Golden Meadow Council Members Present: Mike Billiot, Jody Cheramie, Laci Latiolais, Kip Plaisance, and Willis Toups

Town of Golden Meadow Council Members Absent: NONE

Others attending were: Joni Alario, Brandy Alonzo, Yvonne Billiot, Stephanie Bollinger, Lucas Bourgeois, Buffy Charpentier, Marc Charpentier, Angela Curole, Paul Curole, Connie Demere, Brian Eymard, Nancy Filinich, Darryl Gisclair, Barbara Gonzalez, JoAnne Griffin, Jeray Jarreau, Michelle Lafont, Tait Lafont, Uriah Lasseigne, Daniel Lorraine, Edward Louviere, Patricia Louviere, Lisa McCower, Rickey Messer, Keith Morvant, Johnine Rebstock, Rosalus Rebstock, Rachel Robichaux, McNeely Rome, Alexis Schwertz, Euell Turnage, Edward Verdin, Tom Watkins, and Kyle Williams.

Willis Toups led everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and Edward Louviere led everyone in prayer.

A motion to approve the town's regular meeting minutes from 10/7/2024, as presented, was made by Council Member Toups; seconded by Council Member Plaisance. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

**Mayor's Report:**

**Building Permits:** NONE

**Occupational Licenses:**

A motion approve the Occupational License for GBC Food Services-Katie Aung at 2112 South Alex Plaisance Blvd, as presented, was made by Council Member Plaisance; seconded by Council Member Toups. A roll call vote took place as follows: YEAS: Cheramie, Plaisance, Toups, Latiolais, Billiot; NAYS: NONE; ABSTAINED: NONE; ABSENT: NONE.

**Town Engineer John Plaisance presented the Project Status Report:**

- North Sewer Treatment Plant Upgrades-Town Engineer Plaisance advised that the 45-day lien period expired and they were supposed to bring the lien free certificate and final paperwork to his office today and they still need to put the generator receptacle in.
- Sewer Phase VII LCDBG (Terrebonne & Delgrandile)-Construction is ongoing on and the pumps still won't be in for a couple more months.
- Mitigation Project (Seawall)-GOHSEP and FEMA did not approve; SCPDC is applying through Delta Regional Authority and GIS is working on Capital Outlay Request for the matching funds of the DRA Application.
- Infrastructure Grant applications (FMA) (4 main drainage projects)-working on the contract so they can finalize their agreement with the Town.

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- Clean Water State Revolving Fund (Sewer Phase VIII (8)) (Cheremie)-Requesting servitude signatures-2 remaining.
- Capital Outlay-Replacement of Sewer Lift Station behind Williams Road-Notice to Proceed issued for 9/30/2024, but those pumps are still 3-4 months away from delivery. A motion for the Mayor to enter into an Intergovernmental Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Public Housing Authority for the Servitude, as presented, was made by Council Member Plaisance; seconded by Council Member Cheremie. A roll call vote took place as follows: YEAS: Cheremie, Plaisance, Toups, Latiolais, Billiot; NAYS: NONE; ABSTAINED: NONE; ABSENT: NONE.
- Capital Outlay-Armand/Alcide Area Drainage, Planning and Construction-Awaiting alternate plans and drawings from GIS Engineering.
- Preparing New Capital Outlay requests for fiscal year 25-26 to be submitted in October 2024 for projects (Dursette-Pershing Drainage, Jefferson Street Drainage, Oakridge Park Drainage, Maintenance Building 30x80 Lean To (to replace Equipment Shed), Martinez Drainage and Culvert Cleaning Proposal with Atakapa Service; plus, they will be adding more projects.
- The Chlorine Contact Chamber at the South Plant will need to be replaced-awaiting quotes from STAT, C&A Treatment Services, and Gainey's Concrete (\$12,100 quote, but Town Engineer Plaisance needs to make a couple of changes)

### Town Attorney Jeray Jarreau presented the Attorney's Report:

- A motion to send the Off Road Vehicle LA1 Legislation Draft to Representative Joseph Orgeron, as presented, was made by Council Member Plaisance; seconded by Council Member Latiolais. A roll call vote took place as follows: YEAS: Cheremie, Plaisance, Toups, Latiolais, Billiot; NAYS: NONE; ABSTAINED: NONE; ABSENT: NONE.
- BC 1051-155 Jefferson Street Charles Collier-Demolition is Complete and Opportunity to Be Heard was on 10/7/2024-Statement of Claim to be filed this week for \$4,264.88.
- BC 1044-130 Malgum Lane Sean and Emily Bernard-Demolition is Complete and Opportunity to Be Heard was on 10/7/2024-Statement of Claim to be filed this week for \$5,210.53.
- A motion approving Mayor Bouziga to sign the Statement of Claims for BC 1051 and BC 1044, as presented, was made by Council Member Plaisance; seconded by Council Member Latiolais. A roll call vote took place as follows: YEAS: Cheremie, Plaisance, Toups, Latiolais, Billiot; NAYS: NONE; ABSTAINED: NONE; ABSENT: NONE.
- A motion to approve Ordinance 556 amending Ordinance 553 providing an exception to the town's payment of a portion of family hospitalization insurance premiums for the town group insurance policy for the Chief of Police, as presented, was made by Council Member Toups; seconded by Council Member Plaisance. A roll call vote took place as follows: YEAS: Cheremie, Plaisance, Toups, Latiolais, Billiot; NAYS: NONE; ABSTAINED: NONE; ABSENT: NONE.

### Chief Troy Dufrene presented the Police Business:

- Status of Police Vehicle to be Sold at Auction-The auction ended today and the vehicle sold for \$7,000.00. The person who purchased it has 7 days to pay for it. A motion to approve the Town to sell the vehicle for \$7,000.00, as presented, was made by Council Member Billiot; seconded by Council Member Cheremie. A roll call vote took place as follows: YEAS: Cheremie, Plaisance, Toups, Latiolais, Billiot; NAYS: NONE; ABSTAINED: NONE; ABSENT: NONE.

### Old Business

#### Hurricane Ida Repairs:

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- The following projects have been obligated and received funding with a work completion deadline of October 2024:
  - Project 673191 (2371)-Pump behind Little Eagle and Flood Gate at Park
  - Project 673198 (2408)-Big Electrical Box at Pump Station
  - Project 673187 (2454)-Street and Caution Signs
  - Project 673210 (2472)-Town Hall and Fuel Canopies-This is complete. A motion to remove Project 673210 from the agenda, as presented, was made by Council Member Latiolais; seconded by Council Member Toups. A roll call vote took place as follows: YEAS: Cheramie, Plaisance, Toups, Latiolais, Billiot; NAYS: NONE; ABSTAINED: NONE; ABSENT: NONE.
  - Project 679655 (2523)-Lift Stations and Sewer Plants
- Project 706063-Senior Citizens Craft Building-50% rule request; awaiting update from FEMA on next step.
- Project 731342-Swimming Pool, Swimming Pool Pump Building, Swimming Pool Bath House Building (for possible alternate project)-awaiting update from FEMA on next step.

Mayor Bouziga advised the Council that the Lafourche Parish Hurricane Ida Recovery Grant's (\$205,407.00) deadline is 6/30/2025.

Mayor Bouziga advised that the Parish is requesting bids this quarter to repair the asphalt on Ridgewood Boulevard, Doucet Drive, and Norman Street.

Mayor Bouziga advised that the LGAP application was submitted on 11/13/2023 and approved for \$35,000. The contract was awarded for the skate park parking lot with handicap parking and we are awaiting contract for execution.

Speed Humps on Washington Street, Dursette Street, and Cheramie Lane-Council Member Cheramie came up with some criteria, but is still working on it.

Mayor Bouziga advised that Entergy has been contacted about trimming trees around the light poles.

Council Member Latiolais advised that Trunk or Treat was a great success, everything went well, and she estimated us to have had around 3,000 people. She thanked everyone who helped to make it a success.

### South Central Planning and Development Commission's (SCPDC) Tom Watkins presented the updates on the Condemnation Proceedings:

- BC 1029-Corner of South Bayou Drive-AMC Liftboats-Demolition is Complete and Attorney is to schedule Notice to be Heard.
- BC 1033-2303 North Bayou Drive-Corinne Berthelot-Condemnation Order issued. SCPDC's Building Inspector Morvant advised that the renovation work is continuing since the last inspection, so they recommend allowing them to continue. A motion to give them 30 days, with an update at the 11/18/2024 meeting, as presented, was made by Council Member Cheramie; seconded by Council Member Toups. A roll call vote took place as follows: YEAS: Cheramie, Plaisance, Toups, Latiolais, Billiot; NAYS: NONE; ABSTAINED: NONE; ABSENT: NONE.
- BC 1036-129 Summers Street-Warren and Robbi Michel-Condemnation Order issued. SCPDC's Building Inspector Morvant advised that the renovation work is continuing since the last inspection, so they recommend allowing them to continue. A motion to give them 30 days, with an update at

the 11/18/2024 meeting, as presented, was made by Council Member Billiot; seconded by Council Member Cheramie. A roll call vote took place as follows: YEAS: Cheramie, Plaisance, Toups, Latiolais, Billiot; NAYS: NONE; ABSTAINED: NONE; ABSENT: NONE.

- BC 1038-1841 South Alex Plaisance Boulevard-Condemnation Order issued. SCPDC's Building Inspector Morvant advised that the renovation work is complete, so they recommend removing BC 1038 from the agenda. A motion to remove BC 1038 from the agenda, as presented, was made by Council Member Latiolais; seconded by Council Member Plaisance. A roll call vote took place as follows: YEAS: Cheramie, Plaisance, Toups, Latiolais, Billiot; NAYS: NONE; ABSTAINED: NONE; ABSENT: NONE.
- BC 1040-113 North Bayou Drive-Brian Eymard-Condemnation Order issued. SCPDC's Building Inspector Morvant advised that the demolition work is almost complete, so they recommend allowing them to continue. A motion to give them 30 days, with an update at the 11/18/2024 meeting, as presented, was made by Council Member Toups; seconded by Council Member Plaisance. A roll call vote took place as follows: YEAS: Cheramie, Plaisance, Toups, Latiolais, Billiot; NAYS: NONE; ABSTAINED: NONE; ABSENT: NONE.
- BC 1048-166 Jefferson Street-Kajun M Investments (Agent-Angie Matherne)-On 6/17/2024, a demolition bid was awarded to BM Construction; on 9/3/2024, Council requested to move forward with demolition no earlier than 9/23/2024, but they weren't able to get sufficient service; next update due 11/4/2024.
- BC 1050-160 Jefferson Street-Rosalus and Edith Rebstock-Condemnation Order issued. SCPDC's Building Inspector Morvant advised that the demolition work is complete, but there is still a pile of debris and blocks on site. Mrs. Rebstock advised they would be using the blocks to build a new house. A motion to give them 30 days to remove the debris, with an update at the 11/18/2024 meeting, as presented, was made by Council Member Plaisance; seconded by Council Member Cheramie. A roll call vote took place as follows: YEAS: Cheramie, Plaisance, Toups, Latiolais, Billiot; NAYS: NONE; ABSTAINED: NONE; ABSENT: NONE.
- BC 1053-142 Louviere Lane-Kyle Breaux and Chad Breaux-Condemnation Order issued with a deadline of 11/7/2024 to repair or demolish.
- BC 1054-120-B Malgum Lane-Betty Phares Orgeron and Jack Phares (all have a 10% interest)-Condemnation Order issued; Mary Brown Phares and Edward Verdin-Condemnation Order issued; Condemnation Hearing is today for Mary Phares Cox, but will have to be continued until 11/4/2024, as Ad Hoc Attorney Eugene Gouaux is unavailable tonight.
- BC 1063-1009 North Bayou Drive-Brandy Alonzo-Condemnation Order issued; demolition bids awarded on 10/7/2024; awaiting notice of demolition. Homeowner Brandy Alonzo is present. She stated that Restore Louisiana is waiting on permits to do anything to her house; or she can get a substantial damage report to give to them so they can tear down the house and rebuild. A motion to give Ms. Alonzo until the 11/4/2024 meeting to have an update, as presented, was made by Council Member Toups; seconded by Council Member Plaisance. A roll call vote took place as follows: YEAS: Cheramie, Plaisance, Toups, Latiolais, Billiot; NAYS: NONE; ABSTAINED: NONE; ABSENT: NONE.
- BC 1064-136 Dursette Street-Donna Terrebonne Bourg, Lorraine Lucille Dufrene Terrebonne, Estate of Nolta Joseph Terrebonne, Estate of Robert John Terrebonne, and Estate of Karen Terrebonne Callais-Condemnation Order issued; Condemnation Hearing is today for Charles Anthony Terrebonne and Lucas Bourgeois, but will have to be continued until 11/4/2024, as Ad Hoc Attorney Gouaux is unavailable tonight.

- BC 1065-138 Pelican Lane-Estate of Victor Boudreaux, Estate of Julia Borne Boudreaux and Estate of Victor Gabriel Boudreaux, Jr.-Condemnation Order issued; Condemnation Hearing is today for Alice Bruce Boudreaux, but will have to be continued until 11/4/2024, as Ad Hoc Attorney Gouaux is unavailable tonight.
- BC 1066-130 Pelican Lane-Estate of Athanas Borne and Estate of Earline Marie Cheramie Borne-Condemnation Order issued for 30 days; Condemnation Hearing is today for Guldán LLC, Dylan Touchstone (Agent for Service of Process), but SCPDC has not been able to effectuate service, so they want to get with the Council and Police Chief to effectuate service through the Police Department, so this hearing will need to be postponed.
- BC 1067-234 Rue Pouche Vide-Estate of Hilda Alario Turnage and Juanita Turnage Gogreve-Condemnation Order issued; Condemnation Hearing is today for Euell Turnage. Mr. Turnage is present today. SCPDC's Building Inspector Morvant advised that there haven't been any changes since the last inspection, so they recommend moving forward with the condemnation. A motion to have a meeting between Mr. Turnage, Mayor Bouziga, and Town Attorney Jarreau to determine what to do with the property, as presented, was made by Council Member Plaisance; seconded by Council Member Toups. A roll call vote took place as follows: YEAS: Cheramie, Plaisance, Toups, Latiolais, Billiot; NAYS: NONE; ABSTAINED: NONE; ABSENT: NONE.
- BC 1068-112 Marshland Street-Sybil Aupied Daigrepoint-Condemnation Order issued and Council requested to go out for bids due 11/4/2024.
- BC 1071-400 North Alex Plaisance Blvd-The Vindez Corporation, Vince Diez, as Agent for Service of Process-Condemnation Hearing is today, but SCPDC has not been able to effectuate service. Mayor Bouziga spoke to Mr. Diez today and he let the Mayor know that on 11/18/2024, he is having a hearing to clear out all of the lawsuits on the building. Mr. Diez wants to fix up the building to rent or sell. A motion to proceed and continue to try to effectuate service for a Condemnation Hearing in December, as presented, was made by Council Member Billiot; seconded by Council Member Plaisance. A roll call vote took place as follows: YEAS: Cheramie, Plaisance, Toups, Latiolais, Billiot; NAYS: NONE; ABSTAINED: NONE; ABSENT: NONE. The town gave SCPDC Mr. Diez's contact information.
- BC1072-131 Dursette Street-Nicholas Johnfroe-SCPDC's Building Inspector Morvant advised that the structure is condemnable. A motion to move forward and have a Condemnation Hearing, as presented, was made by Council Member Toups; seconded by Council Member Plaisance. A roll call vote took place as follows: YEAS: Cheramie, Plaisance, Toups, Latiolais, Billiot; NAYS: NONE; ABSTAINED: NONE; ABSENT: NONE.

#### New Business

Trash Report-Council Member Cheramie advised he is going back and forth with the Parish, but they should be picking up everything.

Mayor Bouziga asked if there was any other business that needed to be brought up to the Council.

A motion to add Pickleball Court to the agenda, as presented, was made by Council Member Latiolais; seconded by Council Member Billiot. A roll call vote took place as follows: YEAS: Cheramie, Plaisance, Toups, Latiolais, Billiot; NAYS: NONE; ABSTAINED: NONE; ABSENT: NONE. Council Member Latiolais advised that the Pickleball Court was painted today and Town Foreman Salvador Gonzalez, Jr. will be putting up the net and then it will be complete.

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Mayor Bouziga asked for audience comments.

Kyle Williams advised there would be a Meet the Candidates Rally at the Park Pavilion on 10/23/2024 at 6:00 PM to meet with Golden Meadow and Greater Lafourche Port Commission Candidates.

Jody Cheramie advised that early voting has started.

Alexis Schwertz asked if she has to get permission from the Council for special events and if she needs permission to have alcohol at these events. She also advised some lights are out at the park. She asked if there was anything new on the drainage/seawall by her business. The Mayor advised they will set up a meeting with her, Town Engineer Plaisance, Town Foreman Gonzalez, Council Member Billiot, and himself.

Lafourche Parish Council Member Daniel Lorraine asked if the Parish has helped to pay the expenses on tearing down homes.

Council Member Toups advised that the Council will be receiving invitations for the Veteran's Day Program from Golden Meadow Middle School.

School Board Member Buffy Charpentier advised we will be getting the school zone roll out signs again for LA1 and Mayor Bouziga advised we will contact DOTD again for the permanent signs. Buffy also stated that repair work has begun on GMMS.

With no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn this meeting at 7:59 PM, as presented, was made by Council Member Plaisance; seconded by Council Member Cheramie. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

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**MAYOR JOEY BOUZIGA**

**ATTESTED:**

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**RACHEL ROBICHAUX**  
**ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK**