MINUTES
MAYOR & BOARD OF ALDERMEN
TOWN OF DELHI, LOUISIANA
MONDAY, JULY 11, 2022
TOWN HALL
TIME- 5:30 P.M.

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen, Town of Delhi, Louisiana, met in regular session on Monday, July 11, 2022. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Washington. Mr. Bennie McGurk led with an invocation and pledge. The roll was called with the following answering: Mayor Washington, Alderwoman Oliver, Alderman Houston, Alderman Rancher, Alderman Washington and Alderman Whitney. Alderman Houston made a motion to approve the agenda, second by Alderman Whitney. Upon being put to a vote the motion carried. The vote was unanimous.

Public Hearing

1. **Public Hearing Ordinance # 732**: An Ordinance of the Town of Delhi, Louisiana, Amending s section 8 8.06.090 of the Delhi Municipal Code of the Town of Delhi, Louisiana, to provide for changes in garbage rates.

Proposed Rates: (.75 increase)

- (a) The rates for garbage pickup for users **inside the municipal limits** of the Town of Delhi shall be fixed at nineteen dollars and twenty-five cents (**\$19.25**) **per container** for users of one (1) to three (3) containers. If users require more than three (3) containers, they must make individual arrangements with a waste disposal service of their choice.
- (b) The rates for users **outside the municipal limits** of the Town of Delhi shall be fixed at twenty-one dollars and fifty cents (\$21.50) **per container** for users of one (1) to three (3) containers. If users require more than three (3) containers, they must make individual arrangements with a waste disposal service of their choice.

Mayor Washington read the heading of Ordinance 732. Alderman Rancher made a motion to open the public hearing, second by Alderman Houston. Mayor Washington called for public comment. There was one comment from the floor clarifying the amount of the increase. Alderman Rancher made a motion to close the public hearing, second by Alderman Houston. Upon being put to a vote the motion carried. The vote was unanimous.

2. **Adopt Ordinance #732-** Alderman Rancher made a motion to adopt Ordinance 732, second by Alderman Washington. Mayor Washington called for a roll call vote. The results are following:

Alderwoman Oliver (y)
Alderman Houston (y)
Alderman Rancher (y)
Alderman Washington (y)
Alderman Whitney (y)

Old Business

Item #1: Approve Minutes- Alderman Whitney made a motion to approve the minutes, second by Alderman Houston. Upon being put to a vote the motion carried. The vote was unanimous.

Item #2: Financials-The board was provided with draft financials ending June 2022. Alderman Whitney made a motion to accept the financials, second by Alderman Rancher. Upon being put to a vote the motion carried. The vote was unanimous.

Item #3: CENLA- Absent

Item #4: MML&H-- Josh Barrett was on hand to go over the ongoing projects for the town.

2022 Street Project- Josh reviewed the bids for the 2022 Street project and made a recommendation to award the bid to Amethyst Construction in the amount of \$230,520. Alderman Houston made a motion to accept the recommendation, second by Alderman Rancher. Upon being put to a vote the motion carried. The vote was unanimous.

LGAP/CWEF-School Street- Health samples to be sent off next week.

LCDBG- Surveying underway.

Downtown Drainage- Sent in design to DOTD-received notes-sending comments this week.

School Street-Kickoff Meeting scheduled for Thursday, June 23.

Hydro Way- Wetlands final report received.

Airport-Held meeting on July 11 regarding 5 year plan.

Water Sector-Reviewing application to resubmit.

Item #5- David Doughty-Mr. Doughty addressed the board regarding Skidmore Lane. There is no new information. He also advised the Mayor and board that it may be beneficial to survey the property at the end of Church Street before any work is done.

Item #6- Jamie Mayo, M5 Consulting-Absent

New Business:

Item #1- Gloria Chocklin-Zoning Administrator-Police

Mrs. Chocklin addressed the board in concern of the response time to an incident in which the police was dispatched on June 17th. Chief Williams said he would review the logs from that day and make a response. Other concerned citizens spoke on the activities of the department.

Item #2- Police Department-Chief Nathaniel Williams

Hiring of Kevin L. Fair-Officer Delhi Police Department

Alderwoman Oliver made a recommendation to hire Mr. Kevin Fair as a full time officer for the Town of Delhi pending all pre-employment screenings, second by Alderman Houston. Roll call vote was taken and the results are as follows:

Alderwoman Oliver (y)
Alderman Houston (y)
Alderman Rancher (y)
Alderman Washington (y)
Alderman Whitney (y)

Item #8- Public Works-Mr. Bennie McGurk-Supervisor- Mr. McGurk provided a written report and reviewed those items.

Alderman Rancher made a motion to adjourn, second by Alderman Whitney. Upon being put to a vote, the motion carried. The vote was unanimous.

Jesse Washington, Mayor

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