

**MAYOR & BOARD OF ALDERMEN
TOWN OF DELHI, LOUISIANA
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2024
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
TIME- 5:30 P.M.**

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen, Town of Delhi, Louisiana, met in regular session on Monday, September 9, 2024. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Washington with an invocation and pledge led by Alderman McDowell. The roll was called with the following answering: Mayor Washington, Alderman McKinney, Alderman McDowell, Alderman Rancher and Alderman Burgess. Alderman Smith arrived at 5:36. Alderman Rancher made a motion to approve the agenda, second by Alderman Burgess. Upon being put to a vote the motion carried. The vote was unanimous, noting Alderman Smith's absence.

Public Hearing- Ordinance 749-Increase Garbage Rates

Alderman McDowell made a motion to open the public hearing, second by Alderman McKinney. Mayor Washington called for comments. There were no comments.

Alderman Rancher made a motion to close the public hearing, second by Alderman McDowell.

Adopt Ordinance 749- Mayor Washington read the heading. Alderman Rancher made a motion to adopt Ordinance 749, second by Alderman McDowell. Roll call vote as follows: McKinney (y), McDowell (y), Rancher (y), Smith (a). Alderman Burgess (y) Motion carried.

Public Hearing- Ordinance 750-An Ordinance in the Town of Delhi granting Atmos Energy Corp., the franchise and rights to conduct in such municipality the business of acquiring, maintaining, constructing, laying repairing, removing, replacing, installing, operating, and disposing of a gas system etc.

Alderman McDowell made a motion to open the public hearing, second by Alderman Rancher.

Mayor Washington called for comments. There were no comments.

Alderman Rancher made a motion to close the public hearing, second by Alderman McDowell.

Adopt Ordinance 750- Mayor Washington read the heading. Alderman McKinney made a motion to adopt Ordinance 750, second by Alderman McDowell. Roll call vote as follows: McKinney (y), McDowell (y), Rancher (y), Smith (a). Alderman Burgess (y) Motion carried.

Public Hearing- Ordinance 751-An ordinance adopting the General Fund and Sales Tax Fund operating budget for the Town of Delhi for the 2024-2025 fiscal year beginning October 1, 2024 and ending September 30, 2025.

Alderman McKinney made a motion to open the public hearing, second by Alderman McDowell.

Mayor Washington called for comments. There were no comments.

Alderman Rancher made a motion to close the public hearing, second by Alderman McKinney.

Adopt Ordinance 751- Mayor Washington read the heading. Alderman Rancher made a motion to adopt Ordinance 751, second by Alderman McKinney. Alderman Smith arrived and was able to vote. Roll call vote as follows: McKinney (y), McDowell (y), Rancher (y), Smith (y). Alderman Burgess (y) Motion carried.

Public Hearing- Ordinance 752-An ordinance in the Town of Delhi setting the salary of the Mayor, Chief of Police and Town Clerk

Alderman Rancher made a motion to open the public hearing, second by Alderman McKinney.

Mayor Washington called for comments. There were no comments.

Alderman Rancher made a motion to close the public hearing, second by Alderman Smith.

Adopt Ordinance 752- Mayor Washington read the heading. Alderman McKinney made a motion to adopt Ordinance 752, second by Alderman Smith. Roll call vote as follows: McKinney (y), McDowell (y), Rancher (y), Smith (y). Alderman Burgess (y) Motion carried.

Business:

Item #1- Approve Minutes-

Alderman McKinney made a motion to approve the minutes, second by Alderman McDowell. Upon being put to a vote the motion carried. The vote was unanimous.

Item #2-Financials- The board was provided draft financials through June 2024. After discussions, Alderman McDowell made a motion to accept the financials, second by Alderman McKinney. 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 and provided a written report and reviewed the updates on the ongoing projects for the Town of Delhi.

Item # 5-David Doughty-Mr. Doughty was present and gave an update on Fair and MPERS.

Business Continued:

Item #1- Chad Parker-Inspections Unlimited

Mr. Parker made a recommendation to the board that the property at Detroit Street be listed to start the condemnation process. Alderman McDowell made a motion to accept the recommendation, second by Alderman Rancher. Upon being put to a vote, the motion carried. The vote was unanimous.

Item #2- Alderman McKinney-Option of the sale of parcel of land-This item was not discussed.

Item # 3- Police Department-Chief Nathaniel Williams

Approve Travel- LACP Fall Conference-Baton Rouge-October 8-10-Alderman Rancher made a motion to approve travel, second by Alderman Burgess. Upon being put to a vote, the motion carried. The vote was unanimous.

Item #4- Public Works-Mr. Sean Parker-Mr. Parker provided a written report and reviewed each item.

Adjournment-Alderman Rancher made a motion to adjourn, second by Alderman McKinney Upon being put to a vote, the motion carried. The vote was unanimous. Meeting adjourned.

Jesse Washington, Mayor

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