

**MINUTES
MAYOR & BOARD OF ALDERMEN
TOWN OF DELHI, LOUISIANA
MONDAY, APRIL 8, 2019
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, April 8, 2019. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Washington with an invocation and pledge led by Rev. Eugene Young. 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 accept the agenda, second by Alderman Rancher. Upon being put to a vote the motion carried. The vote was unanimous.

Old Business:

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

Item #2-Financials- The board was provided with a draft of the financials for the month of February.

Item #3- CENLA-Absent

Item #4- MML&H- Josh Barrett was on hand to give the updates on the ongoing projects for the Town of Delhi.

- Airport project has started. The cracks are deeper than anticipated. Talking over project with DOTD.
- Waiting to hear about CWEF funding.
- CDBG-Wrapping up plans for review
- Provided the board with a quote for street overlay for Coats & Georgia Street
- April 25th-Crawfish Boil

Item # 5-David Doughty-Absent

New Business:

Item #1-Resolution-Residential Anti-displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan LCDBG FY 2018- Alderman Rancher made a motion to accept the residential anti-displacement and relocation plan for LCDBG FY 2018, second by Alderman Houston. Upon being put to a vote, the motion carried. The vote was unanimous.

Item #2-Mayor Washington

- **LRWA Rate Study-** Alderman Rancher made a motion to approve LRWA to do a rate study for the Town of Delhi utilities, second by Alderman Whitney. Upon being put to a vote the motion carried. The vote was unanimous.
- **Discuss Certification of operators-**All employees hired must be willing to obtain a certification in water/waste water.
- **Mandatory trash pick-up on Thursday's-**The Mayor will have all employee's do trash pick-up every Thursday in an effort to keep the Town of Delhi litter free.

Item #: 3- Alderman Houston

- **Discuss Delhi park rules and regulations-**Alderman Houston asked about the rules regarding pets at the public park. Chief Williams stated that all pets should be leashed.
- **Town of Delhi employee's work ethics and Council's involvement-**Alderman Houston stressed the chain of command with regards to the council and the town employees. All work orders should be called in to the public works department. No order should be given directly from a council member.

Item # 4- Alderwoman Oliver-

Drainage problem on Kentucky and Pittsburg Street-Alderwoman Oliver presented a diagram where there is a drainage concern in her district. All work order should be turned in to public works. Director Jones was present and received a copy of the issue.

Item #5- Alderman Rancher

- **Discuss town employees**
 - Award employees Z. McDowell, M. Jones & J. Johnson a half day off-Alderman Rancher made a motion to award the listed employees and half day off for their clean-up efforts for

the Cleanest City Contest; time off cannot be taken on the same days, second by Alderman Washington. Upon being put to a vote the motion carried. The vote was unanimous.

- Alderman Rancher also addressed tardiness and employee dress code.

Item #6-Alderman Whitney

- **Discuss Public Works Grounds**-Alderman Whitney raised concerns over the gate being left open at the public works grounds. It is noted that the public works director should make sure the facility is locked properly at the end of the day.
- **Complaints about ditch digging**-Alderman Whitney addressed complaints from his district in regards to the leveling of the ditch when digging.

Item #9-Police Department-Chief Nathaniel Williams-Chief Williams advised the board that new hire Mike Gilmore will not be joining DPD. He is seeking other applicants.

Chief also stated that he has received a grant in the amount of \$5,000 through the police jury and is looking to purchase a vehicle.

Public Works-Director Richard Jones-Mr. Jones provided a written report and reviewed each item.

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

Jesse Washington, Mayor

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