

**MINUTES
MAYOR & BOARD OF ALDERMEN
TOWN OF DELHI, LOUISIANA
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2023
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 11, 2023. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Washington with an invocation and pledge. The roll was called with the following answering: Mayor Washington, Alderman McKinney, Alderman Rancher and Alderman Smith & Alderman Burgess. Alderman McDowell was absent. Alderman Rancher made a motion to approve the agenda, second by Alderman Smith. Upon being put to a vote the motion carried. The vote was unanimous, noting Alderman McDowell's absence.

Old Business:

Item #1- Approve Minutes-

Alderman Rancher made a motion to approve the minutes, second by Alderman Smith. Upon being put to a vote the motion carried. The vote was unanimous, noting Alderman McDowell's absence.

Item #2-Financials- The board was provided with financials through the month of June. Alderman Rancher made a motion to accept the financials, second by Alderman Burgess. Upon being put to a vote the motion carried. The vote was unanimous, noting Alderman McDowell's absence.

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.

- **Water Sector-Sewer-Plans** have been submitted for review.
- **Water Sector-Water-** Waiting on official paperwork.
- **CDBG-**Approximately one month to be Substantially Complete.
- **Downtown Drainage-**Plans are with USDA
- **Watershed-LWI-Salter St.-**Modeling work been submitted.
- **Airport-**Working on funding.

Item # 5-David Doughty-

Mr. Doughty was present. No formal report. Working on right of way for drainage project.

Item #6- M5- Mr. Mayo was present and spoke on the sessions with the Mayor. Ex. Rural Revitalization and Energy related grants.

New Business:

Item #1-Public Hearing 741 Public Hearing Ordinance #741- An Ordinance of the Town of Delhi, Louisiana 2023-2024 Operating Budget

Alderman Rancher made a motion to enter into a public hearing, second by Alderman Smith. Upon being put to a vote, the motion carried. The vote was unanimous noting Alderman McDowell's absence.

Alderman Rancher made a motion to close public hearing, second by Alderman Smith. . Upon being put to a vote, the motion carried. The vote was unanimous noting Alderman McDowell's absence.

Item #2-Adopt Ordinance #741

Mayor Washington read the heading of said ordinance. Alderman Rancher made a motion to adopt Ordinance 741, second by Alderman Burgess. The motion carried. Roll call vote as follows:

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| Alderman McKinney | (Y) |
| Alderman McDowell | (A) |
| Alderman Rancher | (Y) |
| Alderman Smith | (Y) |
| Alderman Burgess | (Y) |

Item 3-Public Hearing Ordinance #742-An Ordinance of the Town Of Delhi, Louisiana Setting the Salary Of The Mayor, Clerk & Chief Of Police

Alderman McKinney made a motion to enter into a public hearing, second by Alderman Rancher. Upon being put to a vote, the motion carried. The vote was unanimous noting Alderman McDowell's absence.

Alderman Rancher made a motion to close public hearing, second by Alderman McKinney .Upon being put to a vote, the motion carried. The vote was unanimous noting Alderman McDowell's absence.

Item #4-Adopt Ordinance #742

Mayor Washington read the heading of said ordinance. Alderman Smith made a motion to adopt Ordinance 742, second by Alderman Burgess. The motion carried. Roll call vote as follows:

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| Alderman McKinney | (Y) |
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Alderman McDowell (A)
Alderman Rancher (Y)
Alderman Smith (Y)
Alderman Burgess (Y)

Item #5-Public Hearing #743- AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF DELHI, LOUISIANA AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 733 TO CHANGE THE FLAT AND/OR COMMODITY RATES FOR LAMB WESTON'S WATER AND SEWER USE

Alderman Rancher made a motion to enter into a public hearing, second by Alderman McKinney. Upon being put to a vote, the motion carried. The vote was unanimous noting Alderman McDowell's absence.

Alderman Rancher made a motion to close public hearing, second by Alderman Smith .Upon being put to a vote, the motion carried. The vote was unanimous noting Alderman McDowell's absence.

Item #6-Adopt Ordinance 743

Mayor Washington read the heading of said ordinance. Alderman Smith made a motion to adopt Ordinance 743, second by Alderman Burgess. The motion carried. Roll call vote as follows:

Alderman McKinney (Y)
Alderman McDowell (A)
Alderman Rancher (Y)
Alderman Smith (Y)
Alderman Burgess (Y)

Item #7-Public Hearing #744: Amendment to Ordinance #694

Alderman Rancher made a motion to enter into a public hearing, second by Alderman McKinney. Upon being put to a vote, the motion carried. The vote was unanimous noting Alderman McDowell's absence.

Alderman Rancher made a motion to close public hearing, second by Alderman Smith .Upon being put to a vote, the motion carried. The vote was unanimous noting Alderman McDowell's absence.

Item #8-Adopt Ordinance 744

Mayor Washington read the heading of said ordinance. Alderman Smith made a motion to adopt Ordinance 744, second by Alderman McKinney. The motion carried. Roll call vote as follows:

Alderman McKinney (Y)
Alderman McDowell (A)
Alderman Rancher (Y)
Alderman Smith (Y)
Alderman Burgess (Y)

Item #9-Public Hearing #745: Amendment to Delhi municipal code to control junk and junked vehicles declared a public nuisance establishing penalties for violation of said Delhi municipal code

Alderman Rancher made a motion to enter into a public hearing, second by Alderman Burgess. Upon being put to a vote, the motion carried. The vote was unanimous noting Alderman McDowell's absence.

Alderman Burgess made a motion to close public hearing, second by Alderman Smith .Upon being put to a vote, the motion carried. The vote was unanimous noting Alderman McDowell's absence.

Item #10-Adopt Ordinance 745

Mayor Washington read the heading of said ordinance. Alderman McKinney made a motion to adopt Ordinance 745, second by Alderman Burgess. The motion carried. Roll call vote as follows:

Alderman McKinney (Y)
Alderman McDowell (A)
Alderman Rancher (Y)
Alderman Smith (Y)
Alderman Burgess (Y)

Item # 11-Public Hearing #746: AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF DELHI, LOUISIANA, AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE IN THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN'S SALARY.

Alderman McKinney made a motion to enter into a public hearing, second by Alderman Rancher. Upon being put to a vote, the motion carried. The vote was unanimous noting Alderman McDowell's absence.

Alderman Rancher made a motion to close public hearing, second by Alderman Smith .Upon being put to a vote, the motion carried. The vote was unanimous noting Alderman McDowell's absence.

Item #12-Adopt Ordinance 746

Mayor Washington read the heading of said ordinance. Alderman Rancher made a motion to adopt Ordinance 745, second by Alderman Smith. The motion carried. Roll call vote as follows:

Alderman McKinney (N)
Alderman McDowell (A)
Alderman Rancher (Y)
Alderman Smith (Y)
Alderman Burgess (Y)

Item #: 13-Resolution – LCDBG/LWI

Alderman Rancher made a motion to accept the resolution, second by Alderman McKinney. Upon being put to a vote, the motion carried. The vote was unanimous noting Alderman McDowell's absence.

Item #14- Mayor Washington

- **First Amendment to the Utility User Agreement-** Alderman Rancher made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the amendment to the Utility User Agreement, second by Alderman Smith. Upon being put to a vote, the motion carried. The vote was unanimous noting Alderman McDowell's absence.
- **OLT Program-** Alderman Rancher made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the OLT agreement with Azavar, second by Alderman Smith. Upon being put to a vote, the motion carried. The vote was unanimous noting Alderman McDowell's absence.

Item #15-Police Department-Chief Nathaniel Williams-Absent

Item #16-Public Works – Sean Parker-Mr. Parker was absent but provided a written report.

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

Jesse Washington, Mayor

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