

April 17, 2017

Town of Golden Meadow
107 Jervis Drive
Golden Meadow, LA 70357

The Mayor and Council of the Town of Golden Meadow met for their regular scheduled meeting on April 17, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. at the Town Hall, 107 Jervis Drive, Golden Meadow, LA 70357.

Those attending were: Mayor Joey Bouziga
Councilman Ashton Cheramie
Councilman Jody Cheramie
Councilman Laci Latiolais
Councilman Lindberg Lorraine
Councilman Willis Toups

Others attending were Bryce Autin, Salvador Gonzalez, Jr., Salvador Gonzalez, Sr., Jamie Liner, Daniel Lorraine, Vickie Lorraine, Edward Louviere, Patricia Louviere, John Plaisance, Joshua Toups, and Nicole Toups.

Mayor Joey Bouziga called this meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Councilman Willis Toups led everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and Councilman Jody Cheramie led everyone in prayer.

Councilman Lindberg Lorraine presented a motion and Councilman Willis Toups seconded approving the minutes from the previous meeting held on April 3, 2017. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mayor Joey Bouziga informed the Council no building permits or Occupational Licenses were submitted for approval.

Mayor Joey Bouziga presented the clean-up report as follows:

- Todd Martin – 158 Washington Street – Councilman Willis Toups presented a motion and Councilman Laci Latiolais seconded approving a clean-up letter be sent to the property owner. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.
- Allison Rankin – 162 Washington Street – Councilman Willis Toups presented a motion and Councilman Lindberg Lorraine seconded approving a clean-up letter be sent to the property owner. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.
- Ramsden Griffin – 156 Callais Lane tall grass was cut. Councilman Willis Toups presented a motion and Councilman Jody Cheramie seconded approving the aforesaid be removed from the agenda. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.
- Victor Boudreaux C/O Alice Boudreaux – 136 Pelican Lane was sent a clean-up letter on March 30, 2017. The five day deadline has passed. Councilman Jody Cheramie presented a motion and Councilman Lindberg Lorraine seconded approving Town workers cut and clean the property and the property owner be invoiced for the expenses. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mayor Joey Bouziga presented the dangerous building report as follows:

- Edison Lee C/O Nancy Lee – 154 Delgrandile Lane dangerous building has been demolished, but the debris remains. Attorney Bryce Autin will send a letter to the property owner setting a deadline of May 1, 2017 to remove the debris.
- Emile Guidry – 196-200 Pierce Street – Mr. Guidry was approved an extension until May 1, 2017 due to illness.

Engineer John Plaisance presented the project report as follows:

- Sewer Phase IV – Bids for construction will be opened on Thursday. Councilman Willis Toups presented a motion and Councilman Laci Latiolais seconded approving Amendment No. 3 to Community Development Block Grant Program disaster recovery consultant services title research and servitude acquisition services contract of October 1, 2012 to \$37,000.00. The council unanimously approved the motion as presented.
- Sewer Phase V – Pre-bid conference is scheduled on May 18, 2017.
- Sewer Phase VI (EDA Sewer Grant) – Preparing to being right-of-way process.
- Sewer Phase VII LCDBG – process of submitting an application for funding.
- Seawall Phase III – Project is progressing and should be finished in a few weeks. The bulkhead has been straightened. Mayor Joey Bouziga informed Engineer John Plaisance if the project is not complete by June 1, 2017 the contractor will be penalized.
- 2014/2015 Community Water Enrichment Fund Grant – Town Hall/Malgum Lane waterline should be ready for bids sometime in May.
- 2015/2016 Community Water Enrichment Fund Grant - was submitted and waiting on approval to install waterlines on Doucet Dr.
- 2017/2018 LGAP has been submitted for the purchase of two sewer lift station generators.
- Town Hall Turnaround Project Plans have been submitted to the state and are waiting on approval.
- Capital Outlay Projects have been submitted for approval and are being reviewed by the state Legislature.
- Mayor Joey Bouziga requested adding to the agenda an application for funding additional Seawall bulk heading to the DRA. No audience comments or questions were presented in opposition to the addition. Councilman Jody Cherie presented a motion and Councilman Willis Toups seconded approving the aforesaid be added to the agenda. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented. Mayor Joey Bouziga informed the Council, Delta Regional Authority have grant funds in the amount of \$150,000.00 available. Councilman Ashton Cherie presented a motion and Councilman Jody Cherie seconded approving the Town submit an application to fund additional Seawall bulk heading. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Attorney Bryce Autin presented the legal report as follows:

- Nebraska Alliance/ Tammy Kibodaux – 114 Meadow Lane was served with a letter to appear on May 1, 2017 regarding her dangerous building and the clean-up complaints received.

- Florinda Verdin Bunkhouse Doucet Lane - No update was provided except Councilman Willis Toups stated he was informed Mr. Teddy Lyons was seen at the residence on Doucet Lane but left shortly after.

Councilman Jody Cheramie presented a motion and Councilman Lindberg Lorraine seconded adopting Resolution No. 1706 proclaiming April, 2017 as Fair Housing Month. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Councilman Willis Toups presented a motion and Councilman Laci Latiolais seconded approving Resolution No. 1707 urging the United State Congress to enact Legislation that will enable local governments to collect revenues already due that are essential to the maintenance and expansion of local and regional economies, the creation of thousands of jobs, the enhancement of the quality of life, and the preservation of limited local revenue sources. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Councilman Jody Cheramie presented a motion and Councilman Willis Toups seconded approving the Sewer DRA checking account and the Town Hall Improvements project bank accounts be closed. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mayor Joey Bouziga requested adding a grant application for the South Central Louisiana Human Services Authority. No audience comments or questions were presented in opposition. Councilman Jody Cheramie presented a motion and Councilman Laci Latiolais seconded approving the aforesaid to the agenda. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Councilman Jody Cheramie presented a motion and Councilman Lindberg Lorraine seconded approving Chief Reggie Pitre executes and agreement with South Central Louisiana Human Services Authority for a grant to provide the Golden Meadow Police Department with \$7,500.00 in grant funds for the Louisiana Partners for Success Project. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mayor Joey Bouziga requested audience comments.

Councilman Willis Toups recognized Mr. Joshua Toups from the Boy Scouts of American who was in attendance.

A brief discussion took place regarding the new Soccer Field being funded by the Golden Meadow Rotary Club.

A brief discussion took place regarding the recent problem with graffiti on the Skate Board Park.

With no further business to discuss, Councilman Willis Toups presented a motion and Councilman Lindberg Lorraine seconded adjourning this meeting at 7:32 P.M. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

MAYOR JOEY BOUZIGA

ATTESTED:

**JAMIE LINER, TOWN CLERK
ADMINISTRATIVE ASST. TO THE MAYOR**

