

August 21, 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 Monday, August 21, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. at the Town Hall, 107 Jervis Drive, Golden Meadow, LA 70357.

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

Others attending were Bryce Autin, Buffy Boura, Frank Boura, Rodney Gisclair, Salvador Gonzalez, Jr. Salvador Gonzalez, Sr., Morris Hunter, William Lerille, Jamie Liner, Daniel Lorraine, Edward Louviere, Patricia Louviere, Chief Reggie Pitre, John Plaisance, McNeely Rome, Jr., Kirk Williams, and Kyle Williams.

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

Mayor Joey Bouziga informed everyone to refrain from cell phone use until the meeting is adjourned.

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

Councilman Willis Toups presented a motion and Councilman Lindberg Lorraine seconded approving the minutes from the Council meeting held on August 7, 2017 as presented. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mayor Joey Bouziga informed the Council no Occupational Licenses or Building Permits were submitted for approval.

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

- William Goode – property located at the end of Texas Road will be cut once the property dries from the rain.
- Wynne E. & John Clark – property located near Little Eagle. The trash has been placed closer to the highway for trash pick-up.
- Heath Demere – 116 Toups Lane has been partially cut. Councilman Willis Toups informed the Mayor and Council he will contact Mr. Demere and show him the property line which he needs to cut.
- Victor Boudreaux – 138 Pelican Lane will be cut once the property dries from the rain.
- Melvin Billiot, Jr. – 130 N. 2nd Street has passed the deadline to be cut. The front of the property has been cut, but the back remains tall. Councilman Willis Toups presented a motion and Councilman Laci Latiolais seconded approving a contractor be hire to cut and clean the property. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.
- Berwick Cheramie – 141 Terrebonne Lane has passed the deadline to be cut. Councilman Lindberg Lorraine presented a motion and Councilman Willis Toups seconded approving a contractor be hired to cut and clean the property. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

- Keith Cheramie – 130 Terrebonne Lane will be cut once the property dries from the rain.

Mayor Joey Bouziga presented the dangerous building report as follows:

- Edison Lee – 154 Delgrandile Lane has demolished the dangerous shed on the property. Mr. Lee will place the debris from the demolition along the side of the road so the trash truck can dispose of debris.

Engineer John Plaisance presented the project status report as follows:

- Sewer Phase IV – construction should begin the first few weeks of October.
- Sewer Phase V – construction should begin the end of September. Councilman Jody Cheramie presented a motion and Councilman Willis Toups seconded approving the amount correction to Amendment #1 of S. & L. Enterprises contract to state the amount has been increased to \$15,175.00. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.
- Sewer Phase VI EDA – Title research and right-of-ways have started. The plans and specs are almost complete.
- Sewer Phase VII – This project has been submitted for funding.
- Seawall Phase III – Engineer Plaisance informed the Council the Mayor the Contractor, a representative from Crosby Dry Dock, and he met on Tuesday, August 15, 2017 to discuss the problem with the dry dock. On Wednesday, August 16, 2017 a diver went underwater to inspect the dry dock. The diver found the sub-structure to be in good condition, but they will have to work on the super-structure. Crosby Dry Dock will bill the contractor Volute, Inc. for the work being conducted on the super-structure of the dry dock. Town Engineer John Plaisance recommended the Council approve the projects substantial completion. Councilman Willis Toups presented a motion and Councilman Laci Latiolais seconded approving Seawall Phase III substantial completion upon the recommendation of Town Engineer John Plaisance. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.
- 2014/15 Community Water Enrichment Fund Grant- Documents are being processed and sent to the State in order to begin construction.
- 2015/16 Community Water Enrichment Fund Grant – was submitted to the State and waiting on approval to install waterlines on Doucet Drive.
- 2017/18 LGAP grant application has been submitted to the State and is waiting on approval to purchase two sewer lift station generators.
- Town Hall Turn Around – Bids were accepted on July 27, 2017 for the construction of a Turning Lane near Jervis Drive. Bids were as follows: Command Construction, LLC Base Bid - \$98,900.00 – Alt. 1 \$18,200.00 – Alt. 2 \$19,900.00, LA Contracting Enterprise, LLC Base Bid - \$75,550.00 – Alt. 1 \$17,920.00 – Alt. 2 \$20,140.00, Picciola Construction Co., Inc. Base Bid - \$86,500.00 – Alt. 1 \$14,900.00 – Alt. 2 \$17, 100.00. Councilman Lindberg Lorraine presented a motion and Councilman Willis Toups seconded approving the lowest bidder LA Contracting Enterprise, LLC base bid and alternates #1 and #2 and approves the Town of Golden Meadow provide the required matching funds. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.
- DRA – Seawall Phase IV has been submitted for funding and is waiting on State approval.
- Soccer Field Project – The contractor should have the soccer field completed by the end of the week.

Town Attorney Bryce Autin presented the legal report as follows:

- Tammy and Al Kibodaux were both delivered letter informing them of the demolition of their dangerous building located at 114 Meadow Lane with a deadline of September 5, 2017. Attorney Autin informed the Mayor and Council he was contacted by both Mr. Al Kibodaux and Ms. Tammy Kibodaux. Mrs. Bernice Kibodaux was given the Power of Attorney for the property. Mrs. Bernice Kibodaux stated she did understand the notice but was contacted by someone interested in purchasing the property. Attorney Autin informed Mrs. Bernice Kibodaux of the September 5, 2017 deadline. A brief discussion took place. Attorney Bryce Autin explained to the Mayor and Council if the property and dangerous building is purchased the process of the dangerous building does not have to be over. The person purchasing the building would be responsible to conduct the repairs just like the current owners.
- Mark Wainwright & Associates contacted the Town regarding a mineral lease. Attorney Autin stated he would present a report at the next meeting.
- Attorney Bryce Autin requested adding the New Police Policy Manual to the agenda. Mayor Joey Bouziga requested any comments or questions in opposition of adding the aforesaid to the agenda. Councilman Jody Cherie presented a motion and Councilman Willis Toups seconded approving Attorney Bryce Autin add New Police Policy Manual to the agenda. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented. Attorney Bryce Autin informed the Mayor and Council he feels the New Police Policy Manual is in order and recommended approving it as presented. Councilman Ashton Cherie presented a motion and Councilman Laci Latiolais seconded adopting the New Police Policy Manual. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Chief Reggie Pitre informed the Mayor and Council the person of interest for the cemetery damages was interviewed and there was no sufficient evidence to charge anyone at this time. Hopefully tips continue to be received by Crime Stoppers. Chief Pitre also informed the Mayor and Council there have been a few thefts around Town so he will be working a few nights to assist Officers on duty at night.

Mayor Joey Bouziga informed the Council the Town will begin using direct deposit for payroll beginning January 1, 2018.

Councilman Willis Toups presented a motion and Councilman Laci Latiolais seconded approving the 2nd quarter finance report. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Councilman Jody Cherie presented a motion and Councilman Lindberg Lorraine seconded re-appointing Mr. Kirk Cherie to represent the Town of Golden Meadow as a commissioner on the South Lafourche Beachfront Development District. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Councilman Willis Toups presented a motion and Councilman Laci Latiolais seconded approving the week of September 19 – September 23, 2017 Constitution Week. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Councilman Lindberg Lorraine requested adding a tall grass complaint to the agenda. Mayor Joey Bouziga requested any comments or questions in opposition in adding the aforesaid to the agenda. Councilman Lindberg Lorraine presented a motion and Councilman Willis Toups seconded approving the aforesaid to the agenda. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

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Councilman Lindberg Lorraine presented a motion and Councilman Jody Cheramie seconded approving a clean-up letter be sent to Mr. Patrick Hooks. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

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Councilman Willis Toups presented a motion and Councilman Lindberg Lorraine seconded approving a clean-up letter be sent to Dustin Bousegard 137 Terrebonne Lane. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mayor Joey Bouziga requested audience comments.

Lafourche Parish Councilman Daniel Lorraine informed the Mayor and Council the garbage company has been purchased by BFI. Councilman Daniel Lorraine stated he has also been informed people are not using the basketball court because there is a problem with duck hanging out there.

McNeely Rome, Jr. informed the Mayor and Council the South Lafourche Levee District has approved paying the Town of Golden Meadow \$100,000.00 to assist in funding the Seawall Phase III Project. Mayor Joey Bouziga thanked Mr. Rome. Councilman Jody Cheramie presented a motion and Councilman Willis Toups seconded authorizing Mayor Joey Bouziga enter into and execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with the South Lafourche Levee District. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mr. Rodney Gisclair informed the Mayor and Council the Lafourche Parish Recreation District is trying to get three bids to repair lights on the Oakridge Park Baseball Fields.

Mr. Kirk Williams informed the Mayor and Council there are some drainage problems near the Williams Cemetery. There are some areas of washout near the tombs. Mayor Joey Bouziga informed Mr. Williams the Town Foreman will inspect the area. Mr. Williams also stated the drainage ditches also need to be cleaned in that area. Mayor Joey Bouziga stated the Foreman will add it to the list of ditches to be cleaned.

Mr. William Lerille addressed the Mayor and Council regarding the costs of burnt light tickets. Mr. Lerille state he would like the cost of the tickets to be reduced or at least a warning given. Mayor Joey Bouziga stated he would look into the issue.

With no further business to discuss, Councilman Willis Toups presented a motion and Councilman Jody Cheramie seconded approving this meeting adjourn at 7:40 P.M. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

MAYOR JOEY BOUZIGA

ATTESTED:

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

