

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

The Mayor and Council of the Town of Golden Meadow met for their regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, March 6, 2023 at 7:00 P.M., at the Golden Meadow Town Hall, 107 Jervis Drive, Golden Meadow, LA 70357.

Those present were: Mayor Joey Bouziga  
Councilman Mike Billiot  
Councilman Jody Cheramie  
Councilman Laci Latiolais  
Councilman Kip Plaisance  
Councilman Willis Toups

Those absent were:

Others attending were: Trixie Allemand, Stephanie Bollinger, Tracee Cloutier, Wilbur Cloutier, Troy Dufrene, Brenda Gisclair, Penny Guidrioz, B.M. Hargrave, Jeray Jarreau, Erris Lebouef, William Lerille, Michael Paradelas, Jody Pitre, Charles Plaisance, Johnny Plaisance, Rachel Robichaux, McNeely Rome, Farrell Trahan, and Tom Watkins.

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

Mayor Joey Bouziga instructed everyone to refrain from cell phone use until the meeting adjourns and asked that everyone sign the sign-in sheet.

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

Councilman Mike Billiot presented a motion and Councilman Willis Toups seconded the motion approving the minutes of the Public Hearing held on February 6, 2023 as presented. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Councilman Mike Billiot presented a motion and Councilman Laci Latiolais seconded the motion approving the minutes of the Public Meeting held on February 6, 2023 as presented. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mayor Joey Bouziga stated there were no Building Permits submitted for approval.

Mayor Joey Bouziga presented the following Occupational License submitted for approval. Councilman Mike Billiot presented a motion and Councilman Kip Plaisance seconded the motion to approve the Occupational License for Chris Mayeur/Ryan King electrical work in town as presented. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Town Engineer John Plaisance presented the project status report as follows:

- North Sewer Plant Upgrades-The State has approved the plans, so the plan specs will be ready for the Mayor's signature to advertise by the end of the week. Councilman Kip Plaisance presented a motion and Councilman Jody Cheramie seconded the motion to have the Mayor sign the plan specs to be advertised when they are ready. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.
- Sewer Phase VII LCDBG-Has been completed and given a copy of the servitude map for recordation. The next step will be to have the valuations completed and then hopefully get it signed this month for advertisement.
- Mitigation Project (Seawall)-Met with Lafourche Parish Government on January 17, 2023. Lafourche Parish Government forwarded our application to the state. We got word last week that the state has approved the project and forwarded it to the feds for their opinion.
- LGAP Grant Application (Police Unit)-Application was submitted on November 21, 2022 and we still have not heard back from them.
- Infrastructure Grant Applications – BRIC and Flood Mitigation Assistance Program applications were submitted on December 19, 2022 and they are still reviewing that.
- Sewer Phase 6-We are looking at funding opportunities, possibly a loan opportunity, that is routinely forgiven after a number of years. The Mayor and John Plaisance will meet with Baton Rouge to see if it is a good fit for the town.

Assistant Town Attorney Jeray Jarreau's Attorney Report:

- Discuss Policy on New Hire Reimbursement (90-day clause) (Committee: Kip Plaisance/Willis Toups)-The Committee met in January and reviewed the Lafourche Parish Sheriff's Office's Policy. They made revisions and sat with the Police Chief Troy Dufrene to make sure it met his needs as his well. Assistant Town Attorney Jarreau submitted a revised policy to the Committee and she is hoping to meet

March 20<sup>th</sup>, before the Town Meeting to finalize the policy and present to the Council that night.

- Discuss Remote Work Policy (for remote working during office hours) (Committee: Mike Billiot/Kip Plaisance)-Assistant Town Attorney Jarreau spoke with several other public agencies in the Parish and surrounding Parishes and not one of them have a remote work policy. One of the Committee members brought up if we would have Worker's Comp cover any accidents while employees are working from home. We checked with our insurance and Worker's Comp offers no coverage for employees working from home, so at this time Assistant Town Attorney Jarreau and Town Attorney Bryce Autin cannot recommend implementing a Remote Work Policy. Assistant Town Attorney Jarreau said that the Committee can reconvene to set up a policy if we were to have another pandemic and the President says we need to social distance.
- Discuss GM Ordinance No. 437 regarding payment of health insurance premiums for certain retirees-Golden Meadow Town Ordinance 437 states that the Town will continue paying for health coverage if an employee works more than 20 years and retires, up to the age of 65. When our policy renewal came up, our Broker contacted us and indicated that 2 retirees that we pay health insurance premiums for, can no longer be considered employees of the town and covered under our group coverage. Town Attorney Jarreau's advice is that we have them on a COBRA policy, which we can have them on for up to 18 months, and during that time period, sit down with a professional and try to determine what would be the best option going forward to try and obtain health insurance for them. Town Clerk Tracee Cloutier was told we will have to get them an individual policy on the Marketplace, which is going to be quite more costly than what we pay now.
- Introduce and schedule public hearing on ordinance repealing Ordinance No. 525 regarding Town curfew-There was a town curfew put into place a while back because of stuff going on in the town. It is no longer needed or enforced. Councilman Mike Billiot presented a motion and Councilman Jody Cheramie seconded the motion to have a Public Hearing on repealing Ordinance 525 on March 20, 2023 at 6:45 PM as presented. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Chief Troy Dufrene's Police Business:

- Report on Speed Humps for Cheramie Lane, Washington Street, and Dursette Street-Chief Dufrene spoke to Lieutenant Andrew Labat, who said he is still having trouble downloading the information, and as soon as it is fixed he can get the studies done for them.
- Report on January 2023 Police Stats:

- 230 cases
- 194 citations
- 3 arrests
- 585 calls for service
- Approval of Emergency Hire Officer Lonny Adams-Chief Troy Dufrene said we can take this off of the agenda because he put in his 2 week notice. Assistant Town Clerk Rachel Robichaux asked if he had time, then we would have to establish a pay rate. Chief Dufrene said he did have time, so his pay rate would be \$19.50/hour. Chief Dufrene said according to the Lawrason Act, he was able to do an emergency hire, and then come to the Council to say please let me hire him. Mayor Joey Bouziga asked if there were any expenses that needed to be taken off of his check-physicals or drug screens. Chief Dufrene said he didn't purchase anything. Councilman Mike Billiot presented a motion and Councilman Willis Toups seconded the motion to hire Lonny Adams and set his pay rate at \$19.50/hour as presented. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.
- Consider a resolution declaring the "attached listing" as inoperable and surplus property no longer needed for a public purpose and authorizing disposal-Chief Troy Dufrene said while looking at the equipment, there are 3 police radios that are unaccounted for, and according to the Lafourche Parish Sheriff's Office, who are able to monitor when that are last used, have not been used or utilized in the last 3 years. Councilman Jody Cheramie asked if this was something we could've gotten rid of and how do we get rid of the equipment. Chief Dufrene said it depends on what it is-laptops-we take out the hard drive, disassemble them, and hit them with a hammer and the equipment that doesn't store data just goes into the dumpster. Town Clerk Tracee Cloutier requests that the 2017 Chevy Tahoe (1GNLCDEC5HR241971) and equipment come off of the list, because it is involved in an active claim. It is the vehicle that was in a recent accident, and we still have a claim with Allstate, so we cannot do anything with it at the time. Councilman Jody Cheramie presented a motion and Councilman Willis Toups seconded the motion to remove the 2017 Chevy Tahoe (1GNLCDEC5HR241971) and equipment off of the list as presented. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented. Mayor Joey Bouziga asked if the body cameras were surplus yet. Chief Dufrene checked with the IT Department and we have no need for the old Watchguard DVD equipment with the CDs, and it's just taking up space, so we can dispose of it. All of the equipment that we can work with, we kept it and have it in a box. Councilman Willis Toups asked if 4 and 12 on the list were the same vehicle. Chief Dufrene stated that the equipment that was taken out was the current Watchguard system that we are keeping, but some of the other equipment like the radar and some of the lights were destroyed. The above motion needs to be amended to reflect 4 and 12 on the list. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented. Assistant

Town Attorney Jeray Jarreau said that Town Attorney Bryce Autin wanted her to confirm that none of the equipment worked or was missing. Chief Dufrene said the only thing that was missing were the 3 radios and everything else was inoperable.

Report on condemnation proceeding for 1504 South Bayou Drive (John Parker)-condemnation hearing held 2/6/2023; Council requested Mr. Parker appear at meeting on 3/6/2023 to provide an update. Mr. Parker was not present at the meeting, but was supposed to send his employee to provide an update, but no one was present as well. Councilman Jody Cheramie stated the yard was cleaned up a lot better. Audience member Penny Guidroz stated that it looks a lot better and the trash is in a big neat pile down the lane behind the building. Councilman Jody Cheramie is going to check if the trash pile will be picked up by River Birch. Mayor Joe Bouziga asked Assistant Town Attorney Jeray Jarreau if the condemnation hearing was for the building and she said yes. Ms. Guidroz stated the trash was cleaned up in the back as well. Councilman Laci Latiolais presented a motion and Councilman Kip Plaisance seconded the motion to issue a condemnation order as presented. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Report on Hurricane Ida repairs-Oakridge Park, Pump Station, Streets, Lift Station, and FEMA report. Mayor Joey Bouziga and Councilman Laci Latiolais stated that the cement was poured under the new canopies, new picnic tables were put out, painting is being done, and we are waiting on the roof for the equipment building at Oakridge Park. Councilman Jody Cheramie asked about the bathrooms. Councilman Latiolais stated they were painting them and working on some other stuff. Council Willis Toups asked about the street signs and Mayor Bouziga let him know we are waiting on one more price. Town Clerk Tracee Cloutier gave an update on street lights. She sent the report to our contact with Entergy, who on March 2<sup>nd</sup>, said they are processing the work orders and her state lighting coordinator would have contracted crews in our area in the next few weeks and she would advise once that was complete. Councilman Mike Billiot brought up citizen complaints about the park-the plumbing and the round tables are unusable. Mayor Bouziga said we would have a plumber at the park on March 7<sup>th</sup> and he told Sal to get rid of the round tables. Mayor Bouziga stated we are waiting on a 3<sup>rd</sup> price for the lift station. Mayor Bouziga stated they started doing some clips at the pumping station, we need to fix the electric motor, and Sal is going to talk to Grand Isle Shipyard March 7<sup>th</sup> for some welding that needs to be done. Town Clerk Cloutier stated that we did get with State Representative Joseph Orgeron's office to try to expedite things with DOTD to replace the STOP signs. Mayor Bouziga thanked the Council for moving forward with some hurricane repair decisions since FEMA takes a long time. Mayor Bouziga also stated we got a new FEMA representative at

the last meeting, so he thinks things will move a little bit quicker. Mayor Bouziga did state that we got reimbursed for cleaning up, labor, Police Department, and Town Employees from FEMA.

Report on 2609 North Bayou Drive GM (Huey Cressionie)-advertised for tall grass and debris on 1/12/2023 and 1/13/2023-consider hiring contractor to remove debris and cut grass. Town Clerk Tracee Cloutier was able to find a contractor that had insurance and provided us with an estimate to remove the debris and yard cleanup for this piece of property, which is \$1,732.00-Farrell Trahan with DTB Contractors. Councilman Willis Toups asked Assistant Town Attorney Jeray Jarreau if we can put a lien on their property. She said we would send them the bill and if they don't pay it by the next meeting, we can move forward with putting a lien on their property. Councilman Laci Latiolais presented a motion and Councilman Willis Toups seconded the motion to accept the bid of \$1,732.00 and hire DTB Contractors for yard cleanup, grass cutting, and debris removal as presented. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Report on 2213 North Bayou Drive (Jazlyn Geneve Lafont)-Board of Adjustments meeting scheduled for 1/17/2023; awaiting survey from Stephanie Griffin in order to proceed. Board of Adjustments Chairman McNeely Rome said one of the board members spoke to her today and the surveying company quoted her a price of \$3100.00 and she can't afford it. She talked to someone else who is able to survey it for \$200.00. Assistant Town Attorney Jeray Jarreau asked if we are just having the property corners marked or a whole survey. Chairman Rome stated just the 4 corners marked. Mayor Joey Bouziga asked Assistant Town Attorney Jarreau what we can do from a legal point. Assistant Town Attorney Jarreau stated she wants to review what would be the next step short of making her tear the building down. Mayor Bouziga asked Assistant Town Attorney Jarreau to let us know what we need to do to move forward. Assistant Town Attorney Jarreau stated Town Attorney Bryce Autin will be at the next meeting and he will have an answer.

Mayor Joey Bouziga advised the Council that Kyle Williams, Tourist Commissioner, is interested in the building. Mayor Bouziga asked Assistant Town Attorney Jeray Jarreau to look into if it is another government agency, do we still have to put the building up for bidding, can we sell it for \$1.00, or give it to the Tourist Commission. Assistant Town Attorney Jarreau will look into it. Councilman Mike Billiot presented a motion and Councilman Kip Plaisance seconded the motion to remove considering demolition from the agenda as presented. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Report on 104 Theriot Street (Scott A. St. Pierre) – advertised for tall grass and debris on 1/12/2023 and 1/13/2023- consider hiring contractor to remove debris and cut grass.

Town Clerk Tracee Cloutier advised Mayor Joey Bouziga and the Council that Farrell Trahan with DTB Contractors gave an estimate of \$475.00 to clean up the property. Assistant Town Attorney Jeray Jarreau spoke to the Attorney with United Community Bank that is foreclosing on the property. The estate was represented by Ms. Carolyn St. Pierre, his wife at the time, who removed herself as succession representative. Nobody has accepted the estate. Assistant Town Attorney Jarreau advised Mayor Bouziga and the Council that if the Town pays money to clear the debris, clean the property up, and cut the grass, that we will not be able to recover that, because it will go up for foreclosure. When the property is purchased at public sale, it's free of any liens associated with the property incurred prior to the sale. Councilman Jody Cheramie stated that municipalities have rights over everyone else to collect their money before everyone else. Assistant Town Attorney Jarreau said the problem with that is we do not have a lien on the property. Councilman Cheramie said we can put one. Assistant Town Attorney Jarreau said we have to put a lien on the property with a quickness and it would have to be before it goes to auction in a tax sale. Councilman Jody Cheramie presented a motion and Councilman Laci Latiolais seconded the motion to accept the bid of \$475.00 and hire DTB Contractors for yard cleanup, grass cutting, and debris removal as presented. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented. Councilman Willis Toups asked if we can send a letter to the bank. Assistant Town Attorney Jarreau said she and Town Attorney Bryce Autin spoke about that and the bank doesn't actually own it yet, but Town Attorney Autin said we should maybe put them on notice. Assistant Town Attorney Jarreau suggested we send a letter to the Attorney handling the foreclosure. Councilman Willis Toups presented a motion and Councilman Kip Plaisance seconded the motion to mail a letter to the attorney that will be handling the foreclosure as presented. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Report on condemnation proceeding for 104 Pierce Street (Sheila Picou and Others)-condemnation hearing scheduled for 3/6/2023. Mayor Joey Bouziga advised the Council that the house has been demolished and they still have debris on the side of the road. Councilman Laci Latiolais presented a motion and Councilman Mike Billiot seconded the motion to remove 104 Pierce Street off of the agenda as presented. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Report on condemnation proceeding for 162 Washington Street (Samuel and Allison Rankin)-scheduled condemnation hearing for 3/6/2023. Assistant Town Attorney Jeray Jarreau advised the Council that Attorney Ad Hoc Shaun George was present via Zoom. Assistant Town Attorney Jarreau informed Attorney Ad Hoc George that 104 Pierce St is being removed from the agenda because progress has been made, but 162 Washington St will remain on the agenda. Attorney Ad Hoc George provided a recitation to Mayor Joey Bouziga and the Council of the efforts he has made to locate the heirs. Since January 11,

Attorney Ad Hoc George has been trying to locate the heirs listed in Allison Rankin's obituary from November-have reached out to them on Facebook and other forms of social media, and no one has contacted him back. Attorney Ad Hoc George traveled to Golden Meadow on March 2<sup>nd</sup> and spoke to a neighbor and he said the property has been abandoned for some time. Since January 11<sup>th</sup>, he has not been able to contact anyone associated with this property or their family. Assistant Town Attorney Jarreau advised Mayor Bouziga and the Council that she has a copy of Curator's Affidavit and Noted Evidence. The law requires that he informs you of his attempts to locate the absentee defendant-in this matter Samuel and Allison Rankin. Attorney Ad Hoc George also submitted a motion to set a Curator Ad Hoc Attorney's Fees for \$100.00 for both 104 Pierce St and 162 Washington St. Assistant Town Attorney Jarreau advised Town Clerk Tracee Cloutier that wherever we maintain the record for this case, we will also have to maintain his efforts and the notice we mailed to Attorney Ad Hoc George via certified mail. Councilman Willis Toups said that Allison's brother Todd Rankin lives across the street. Assistant Town Attorney Jarreau advised that because the defendant in this matter is an unopened succession, we can't just give notice to family members, unless that family member would be trying to open the succession. Assistant Town Attorney Jarreau advised Mayor Bouziga and the Council that we would have to issue the condemnation order to Attorney Ad Hoc George, because he represents the unopened succession of both Rankins. Councilman Laci Latiolais presented a motion and Councilman Mike Billiot seconded the motion to issue a condemnation order as presented. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented. Councilman Laci Latiolais presented a motion and Councilman Kip Plaisance seconded the motion to pay Attorney Ad Hoc George \$100.00 for his efforts on both cases as presented. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Town Engineer John Plaisance advised Mayor Joey Bouziga and the Council that the property Harvey Gulf has is 6 or 7 lots and they are just trying to get them into 1 lot. Councilman Willis Toups presented a motion and Councilman Kip Plaisance seconded the motion to have a Public Hearing on combining Harvey Gulf's property into a single lot and re-zoning of a portion of that lot from an R-1 to a C-1 Zone on March 20, 2023 at 6:30 PM as presented. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Councilman Laci Latiolais presented a motion and Councilman Jody Cheramie seconded the motion to consider a resolution declaring a Motorola cell phone as inoperable and surplus property no longer needed for a public purpose and authorizing disposal as presented. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Mayor Joey Bouziga advised the Council that the town will be awarded \$205,407 from Lafourche Parish Hurricane Ida Recovery Grant to be used by June 30, 2023 for building and



property damage not covered by insurance or FEMA. Mayor Bouziga stated that he has been working with Town Clerk Tracee Cloutier and anything done at the park not covered by FEMA will fall under that category. Town Clerk Cloutier stated they are waiting on FAQs on exactly what is covered under the grant, like if it can be used for insurance deductibles not covered by FEMA. Town Clerk Cloutier stated they have a meeting on March 14<sup>th</sup> and will need authorization for the Mayor to sign the agreement. Councilman Jody Cheramie presented a motion and Councilman Kip Plaisance seconded the motion for the Mayor to sign the agreement for the recovery grant as presented. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Councilman Laci Latiolais presented a motion and Councilman Kip Plaisance seconded the motion to revise the Town Policy and Procedures to allow meeting agendas to be sent to Council Members via email only as presented. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Assistant Town Attorney Jeray Jarreau from Bless Your Heart Non Profit Corporation advised Mayor Joey Bouziga and the Council that they have already donated \$7,700.00 for the painting of the Senior Citizen's Building and that the town will get a residual donation.

Councilman Mike Billiot presented a motion and Councilman Jody Cheramie seconded the motion to send a letter to Alan and Polly Cheramie for 132 Tamplain Lane for grass cutting and debris clean up as presented. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented. Audience member Trixie Allemand stated it has been 2 years since they have cut the grass. Councilman Laci Latiolais presented a motion and Councilman Mike Billiot seconded the motion to send a letter to Alan and Polly Cheramie for 132 Tamplain Lane to secure the house as presented. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Councilman Laci Latiolais presented a motion and Councilman Kip Plaisance seconded the motion to send a letter to Adam Cheramie for Tamplain Lane for grass cutting, debris clean up and to secure the house as presented. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Councilman Willis Toups presented a motion and Councilman Kip Plaisance seconded the motion to send a letter to approve February 2023 Budget to Actuals finance report as presented. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

Councilman Jody Cheramie advised Mayor Joey Bouziga and the Council that he is still trying to get some of the big piles picked up. He spoke to Lafourche Parish President Archie

Chaisson a few times about it. They did have a truck on Rue Poche Vide who picked up most of the debris. Councilman Cheramie advised that he thinks B & R Ln and Vicks Ln are next on the list for trash pick-up. Audience member McNeely Rome asked if they have to be on a list for trash pick-up, or will they pick up piles if they see them. Councilman Cheramie advised that Lafourche Parish President Chaisson sends a list to FEMA for trash pickup. Councilman Cheramie stated he will talk to Lafourche Parish President Chaisson to see if he has excess money for trash pickup.

Legal Analyst Tom Watkins and his Assistant Stephanie Bollinger from South Central Planning and Development Commission updated Mayor Joey Bouziga and the Council on the following addresses, who received South Central Planning and Development Commission Notifications of hearings based on the Structural Analysis Reports and were set to appear at 3/6/2023 meeting:

- BC 1006-110 Pelican Lane-Estate of Faustin Borne/Marcess Calais Borne/Julie Borne Galiano-Faustin Borne and Marcess Calais Borne are deceased. South Central Planning and Development Commission has spoken to the Council and with respect to the 2 estates, an Attorney Ad Hoc has been appointed. South Central Planning and Development Commission has sent out notice to Julie Borne Galiano but has not received anything back yet. Assistant Town Attorney Jeray Jarreau advised that at the February 6, 2023 meeting, the Council appointed Eugene Gouaux III as Attorney Ad Hoc, and Mayor Joey Bouziga signed the order, so Assistant Town Attorney Jarreau will get that to South Central Planning and Development Commission on February 7.
- BC 1007-2124 South Bayou Drive-Charles Plaisance/Melissa Fanguy/Phillip Plaisance/David Plaisance/Kyle Plaisance/Tracy Huebel/Jesse Blaum Noggerath-Notices were sent out on February 10, 2023 and they have received the green cards back on 5 of the 7 people-Jesse Blaum Noggerath, Kyle Plaisance, Tracy Huebel, Phillip Plaisance, and Charles Plaisance. They have not received anything back from Melissa Fanguy or David Plaisance. The South Central Planning and Development Commission Building Inspector Michael Paradelas has submitted an inspection report to the Town Council and has recommended condemnation. Charles Plaisance addressed the Council. He had received something from the town itself and he reported to them that they had been approved to get the house torn down by FEMA and they are still waiting on FEMA. The property was for Mr. Plaisance's brother, who wasn't married, but was in a long term relationship, so they are trying to give what they can out of his assets to his girlfriend, and didn't want to spend a whole lot. Councilman Jody Cheramie asked about possibly getting reimbursed through the Restore Program. Tom Watkins said a portion of the money may be able to be used for a grant, but the program hasn't been implemented yet. Mr. Plaisance said

they obviously wanted to wait on FEMA, but if FEMA isn't going to do it, and he's going to be billed to get it done, he'll look into someone else doing it. Councilman Cheramie told Mr. Plaisance about the CARE program. Audience member Farrell Trahan reminded everyone that the FEMA list was an application-it wasn't a guarantee for your house torn down. Mayor Joey Bouziga stated there were 3 houses approved to be torn down by FEMA so far. Mr. Watkins advised that if the Council gives 30 days and the issue isn't resolved, the Town Council can issue the condemnation notice. Mr. Watkins also said that until they get notice from the other 2 people, they cannot go and take the property. Mr. Watkins said they have service on 5 people, so they can give the order that would be effective against those 5 property owners, but they are still missing 2, so he would suggest they be classified as an absentee defender and absentee owner. Assistant Town Attorney Jeray Jarreau stated that Melissa Fanguy is her son's teacher. Mr. Plaisance stated that David Plaisance is in Baton Rouge and that Melissa Fanguy and he have Power of Attorney over all of them. Mr. Watkins stated that Mr. Plaisance and Ms. Fanguy would have to waive notice of service, and once that document is signed, and the Council could move forward with demolition if within 30 days it's not taken care of. Assistant Town Attorney Jarreau suggested that we issue the condemnation orders for 30 days, and put it on the April 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting and between that time, she can speak with Mr. Plaisance and see if they can work something out. Assistant Town Attorney Jarreau let Mr. Plaisance know we can notice Melissa Fanguy and David Plaisance and move forward with the demolition of the property, if they choose not to demolish it themselves. Mr. Plaisance stated their goal was to save as much money as possible for his deceased brother's girlfriend. Councilman Cheramie brought up the CARE program again and Assistant Town Attorney Jarreau stated that the problem with the CARE Program is that the committee who decides is accepted into the program won't convene within the next 30 days. Audience member Brenda Gisclair asked why they talked about giving John Parker 2 years, but only want to give everyone else 30 days. Councilman Laci Latiolais stated that is the problem-we stopped giving 2 and 3 years because nothing ever gets done. Councilman Laci Latiolais presented a motion and Councilman Willis Touns seconded the motion to move forward with the condemnation in 30 days if there is not progress made as presented. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented. Voting took place as follows: YEAS: Councilman Jody Cheramie, Councilman Kip Plaisance, Councilman Willis Touns, Councilman Laci Latiolais, Councilman Mike Billiot; NAYS: NONE; ABSTAINED: NONE; ABSENT: NONE.

- BC 1008-149 Nichols Street-Jody Pitre/Monique Pitre-received notice. The South Central Planning and Development Commission Building Inspector Michael Paradelas has submitted an inspection report to the Town Council and has

recommended condemnation. Jody Pitre was present for the meeting and addressed the Council. Since he received the notice, he has started to do demolition on the property and has brought in pictures for the Council to see. He plans on tearing down the structure and putting a pile by the road to be picked up, but he needs more time to do it and will get a dumpster if needed. Councilman Jody Chermie asked if 30 days was enough and Mr. Pitre said he needed more than 30 days. Mr. Pitre said he needed 6 months to take care of his property. Councilman Laci Latiolais said she has been seeing the property like that for 16 years. Councilman Willis Touts asked if the address was 149 Nichols St. and Mr. Pitre said that wasn't the correct address. Mr. Watkins explained they try to connect the properties with the Assessor's website and they go by what the Assessor identifies as the municipal address of that particular property. From their standpoint, not that the municipal address isn't important, but the parcel number is the most important, because that specifically identifies the actual property at issue. Councilman Jody Chermie presented a motion and Councilman Kip Plaisance seconded the motion to give Jody and Monique Pitre 3 months to clean up the property and present an update monthly at the meetings as presented. Voting took place as follows: YEAS: Councilman Jody Chermie, Councilman Kip Plaisance, Councilman Willis Touts, Councilman Mike Billiot; NAYS: Councilman Laci Latiolais; ABSTAINED: NONE; ABSENT: NONE.

- BC 1009-145 Terrebonne Lane-Chermie & Sunday, LLC, Jenna Chermie-received notice. Mr. Watkins stated that Earlia Arceneaux is the record owner of the property. The Assessor's website has that Marlene Jambon is to receive the tax notices. Ms. Jambon was served, but we do not have anything else identifying her as a property owner other than her receiving tax notices. Mr. Watkins said we have service on Chermie & Sunday, LLC, but not on Earlia Arceneaux and we might consider appointing an Attorney Ad Hoc to represent the absentee defendant Earlia Arceneaux. Mayor Joey Bouziga stated that Marlene Sunday called him today and she couldn't make the meeting, but they were trying to sell the house, so the Mayor told her we were having a meeting tonight, she won't be represented, and we may move forward. Assistant Town Attorney Jeray Jarreau suggested issuing a condemnation order to Chermie & Sunday, LLC, since we have proper service on them, that it has to be repaired or demolished within 30 days and also at this meeting, appoint an Ad Hoc Counsel to represent Earlia Arceneaux or unopened succession of Earlia Arceneaux. Councilman Willis Touts presented a motion and Councilman Laci Latiolais seconded the motion to appoint an Ad Hoc Attorney to represent Earlia Arceneaux or unopened succession of Earlia Arceneaux as presented. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented. Voting took place as follows: YEAS: Councilman Jody Chermie, Councilman Kip Plaisance,

Councilman Willis Toups, Councilman Laci Latiolais, Councilman Mike Billiot; NAYS: NONE; ABSTAINED: NONE; ABSENT: NONE. Mr. Watkins advised that the South Central Planning and Development Commission Building Inspector Michael Paradelas has submitted an inspection report to the Town Council and has recommended condemnation. Mr. Watkins asked Mr. Paradelas if there was any changes to the property since he first inspected it and he said no. Mr. Watkins advised the Council that the next step would be a motion to condemn. Councilman Kip Plaisance presented a motion and Councilman Laci Latiolais seconded the motion to move forward with the condemnation as presented. Voting took place as follows: YEAS: Councilman Kip Plaisance, Councilman Willis Toups, Councilman Laci Latiolais, Councilman Mike Billiot; NAYS: Councilman Jody Cheramie NONE; ABSTAINED: NONE; ABSENT: NONE.

- BC 1010-212 Verret Street-Brenda Gisclair/Doris Guidry Gisclair-received notice. Mr. Watkins indicated that Ms. Brenda Gisclair is the primary owner. Mr. Watkins advised that the South Central Planning and Development Commission Building Inspector Michael Paradelas has submitted an inspection report to the Town Council and has recommended condemnation. Brenda Gisclair was present for the meeting and addressed the Council. Ms. Gisclair said one of the buildings is not for her-it is for her neighbor. Ms. Gisclair said she is tearing the structure down, but she is working by herself. Mr. Watkins said they were informed by Ms. Gisclair that the property with issue belongs to Vivian Duet. Mr. Watkins said they created a new BC#-BC21 and they have sent the same information to Vivian Duet and that will be at the April 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting. Assistant Town Attorney Jeray Jarreau said we could move forward with the building that belongs to Brenda Gisclair, but would have to wait until the April 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting for Vivian Duet. Councilman Jody Cheramie presented a motion and Councilman Kip Plaisance seconded the motion to give Brenda Gisclair a 90 day condemnation order to repair or demolish and present an update monthly at the meetings as presented. Voting took place as follows: YEAS: Councilman Jody Cheramie, Councilman Kip Plaisance, Councilman Willis Toups, Councilman Mike Billiot; NAYS: Councilman Laci Latiolais; ABSTAINED: NONE; ABSENT: NONE.
- BC 1011-108 Henry Street-Erris LeBouef/Mark Plaisance-Mr. Watkins advised that the South Central Planning and Development Commission Building Inspector Michael Paradelas has submitted an inspection report to the Town Council and has recommended condemnation. Mr. Paradelas said the property looks the same except for a couple of piles of trash by the road. Erris LeBouef was present for the meeting and addressed the Council. Mr. LeBouef and his brother are working to tear down the building. Councilman Jody Cheramie presented a motion and Councilman Willis Toups seconded the motion to give Erris LeBouef and Mark Plaisance a 90 day condemnation order to repair or demolish and present an update

monthly at the meetings as presented. Voting took place as follows: YEAS: Councilman Jody Cheramie, Councilman Kip Plaisance, Councilman Willis Toups, Councilman Mike Billiot; NAYS: Councilman Laci Latiolais; ABSTAINED: NONE; ABSENT: NONE.

- BC 1012-181 Bob's Lane-Pery Adams-received notice. Mr. Watkins advised that the South Central Planning and Development Commission Building Inspector Michael Paradelas has submitted an inspection report to the Town Council and has recommended condemnation. Mr. Paradelas said the property has gotten worse and will probably fall soon. Assistant Town Attorney Jeray Jarreau recommends we do the same like with Cheramie & Sunday- issuing a condemnation order to Pery Adams since we have proper service on him, but that it has to be repaired or demolished within 7 days, because it is about to fall down. Councilman Laci Latiolais presented a motion and Councilman Kip Plaisance seconded the motion to move forward with the condemnation order in 7 days if there is not progress made as presented. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented. Voting took place as follows: YEAS: Councilman Jody Cheramie, Councilman Kip Plaisance, Councilman Willis Toups, Councilman Laci Latiolais, Councilman Mike Billiot; NAYS: NONE; ABSTAINED: NONE; ABSENT: NONE.

Mayor Joey Bouziga asked if there was any other business that needed to be brought up to the Council.

Mayor Joey Bouziga asked for audience comments.

With no further business to discuss, Councilman Jody Cheramie presented a motion and Councilman Laci Latiolais seconded the motion adjourning this meeting at 9:02 P.M. as presented. The Council unanimously approved the motion as presented.

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**MAYOR JOEY BOUZIGA**

**ATTESTED:**

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**RACHEL ROBICHAUX  
ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK**