## Town of Lockport Lockport, Louisiana

## Minutes of Regular Meeting April 16, 2024

The Mayor and Town Council met in regular session on Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at 6:00PM, at the Lockport Town Hall Complex.

### A. Call to Order B. Opening Prayer C. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Barry Plaisance called the meeting to order. The meeting was streamed through Facebook Live. The opening prayer was offered by Mandy Himel. Mayor Plaisance asked for a moment of silence for Councilwoman Galjour and her family. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Plaisance.

#### D. Roll Call

The roll was called with the following present: Mayor Barry Plaisance, Councilmembers: Ernest Boudreaux, Tyler Detillier, Gary Acosta, and Rodney Hartman. Councilwoman Bobbie Galjour was absent. Others present were Town Clerk Mandy Himel, Police Chief David Harrelson, Alan Badeaux, James Brabham, Joe Chauvin, and Cy Toups.

### E. Approval of Minutes for March 19, 2024 Regular Meeting

Mayor Plaisance asked for approval of the minutes for March 19, 2024. Councilman Acosta made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Councilman Detillier seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

## F. Approval of Financial Statements for month ending March 31, 2024

Mayor Plaisance asked for a motion to accept the budget to actual financial statements for the month ending March 31, 2024. Councilman Hartman moved, and Councilman Boudreaux seconded a motion to approve the financial statements as presented. It carried unanimously.

### G. Public wishing to address the Council

Mr. John Prince invited the Council to an awards' banquet on April 29, 2024 at 6:00pm.

Mr. Alan Badeaux addressed the Council about four way stop signs concerns.

Mr. James Brabham talked about community events and the food pantry in town.

### H. Police Report

Mayor Plaisance called on the Chief to report on the department's activities. A motion was made by Councilman Boudreaux and seconded by Councilman Acosta to accept the police report as presented. It carried unanimously.

# I. Engineers' Report

GIS presented a report to the Council. T Baker Smith presented a report to the Council. Mayor Plaisance elaborated more about the meeting in Baton Rouge on Friday for capital outlay projects.

# J. Love the Boot Event- April 27, 2024

Ms. Elizabeth Daigle gave more information on this event. Councilman Detillier made a motion to allow this event to take place in town. Councilman Acosta seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously. GIS will sponsor a lunch for this event as well.

## **K.** Proclamations

- 1. MPS Day- May 15, 2024
- 2. National Police Week- May 12-18, 2024
- 3. Motorcyclist Safety Awareness Month- May 2024

Councilman Acosta made a motion to accept all the proclamations. Councilman Hartman seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

## L. Change the meeting date in June 2024 from June 18, 2024 to June 11, 2024

Councilman Hartman made a motion to change the date. Councilman Detillier seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

# M. Call for public hearings:

- 1. Lease renewals between the Town of Lockport and the following:
  - a. Lafourche Parish Sheriff's Office (current lease expires 6-30-24) Councilman Detillier made a motion. Councilman Boudreaux seconded.
  - b. Lafourche Parish Clerk of Court's Office (current lease expires 6-30-24) Councilman Hartman motioned. Councilman Detillier seconded.
  - c. Lafourche Parish Tax Assessor's Office (current lease expires 6-30-24) Councilman Acosta motioned. Councilman Boudreaux seconded.
  - d. Christopher Huddleston (current lease expires 6-30-24) Councilman Boudreaux motioned. Councilman Acosta seconded.

- 2. Discuss an ordinance to amend the fiscal year 2023-2024 Town of Lockport budgets Councilman Hartman made a motion. Councilman Detillier seconded the motion.
- 3. Discuss an ordinance to adopt the fiscal year 2024-2025 Town of Lockport budgets Councilman Hartman made a motion. Councilman Boudreaux seconded the motion.
- 4. Adopt an ordinance to change the square footage requirements for R-1, R-2, and R-3. Councilman Acosta made a motion. Councilman Detillier seconded the motion.

Councilman Boudreaux made a motion to go into public hearing. Councilman Hartman seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

#### N. Public hearings:

- 1. Adopt an ordinance to amend Section 46-6 of the Code of Ordinances to establish a four way stops at the intersection of Barataria and Fourth Street and Barrilleaux and Third Street. No discussion took place.
- 2. Adopt an ordinance to amend Section 2-238 of the Code of Ordinances, Town of Lockport, Louisiana, to amend and re-enact a schedule of court costs. No discussion took place.

Councilman Acosta made a motion to get out of public hearing. Councilman Detillier seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

- O. Adopt Ordinance 2024-04 to amend Section 46-6 of the Code of Ordinances to establish a four way stop at the intersection of Barataria and Fourth Street and Barrilleaux and Third Street. Councilman Detillier made a motion to adopt ordinance. Councilman Boudreaux seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.
- P. Adopt Ordinance 2024-05 to amend Section 2-238 of the Code of Ordinances, Town of Lockport, Louisiana, to amend and re-enact a schedule of court costs. (to add crime lab fee) Councilman Boudreaux made a motion to adopt the ordinance. Councilman Acosta seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

#### Q. Reports:

- 1. Mayor Plaisance talked about sewer repairs. He thanked the maintenance crew for a job well done. He gave an update on the handrails for the sewer plant. He talked about the new garbage cans at the park. He gave an update on the boom mower.
- 2. Counci
- a. Councilman Acosta thanked GIS and T Baker Smith for all the work they have been doing for the town. He also mentioned the fair in Raceland this weekend coming up. He recognized the Central Lafourche Band. He stated the saxophone quartet will be competing at a competition in Houston, Texas in May.
- b. Councilman Boudreaux asked for an update on the boat museum sale. Mayor Plaisance stated it is in progress.
- c. Councilman Hartman mentioned and supported the upcoming millage for the Lafourche Parish Water District. This will help them operate the water plant and keep our water rates from going up.
- d. Councilman Detillier asked for clarification on the boom mower and the old boom mower and tractor. He asked for updates on bulk heading at the park and painting lines for parking by the little church. He said the fair will benefit Lockport organizations/groups.

## S. Adjourn

The next scheduled regular Town meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 21, 2024. There being no further business to come before the Council, a motion by Councilman Boudreaux to adjourn the meeting was seconded by Councilman Hartman. It carried unanimously. The meeting ended at 6:36PM.

	/s/ Barry Plaisance	
	Barry Plaisance, Mayor	
s/ Mandy Himel		
Mandy Himel, Town Clerk		