

**Town of Lockport
Lockport, Louisiana**

Minutes of Regular Meeting March 19, 2024

The Mayor and Town Council met in regular session on Tuesday, March 19, 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. 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, and Rodney Hartman. Councilmembers Gary Acosta and Bobbie Galjour were absent. Others present were Town Clerk Mandy Himel, Police Chief David Harrelson, Town Attorney Christopher Huddleston, Alan Badeaux, James Brabham, and Mark Culpepper.

E. Approval of Minutes for February 20, 2024 Regular Meeting

Mayor Plaisance asked for approval of the minutes for February 20, 2024. Councilman Boudreaux made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Councilman Hartman seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

F. Approval of Financial Statements for month ending February 29, 2024

Mayor Plaisance asked for a motion to accept the budget to actual financial statements for the month ending February 29, 2024. Councilman Detillier moved, and Councilman Hartman seconded a motion to approve the financial statements as presented. It carried unanimously.

G. Public wishing to address the Council

Mr. Ryan Eschette and Mr. Carson Pierce, Lockport Upper students, presented their social studies project on the Town of Lockport.

Mr. Alan Badeaux talked about planting trees at the park.

Mr. Phillip Hosea announced there will be a hunter's safety course at Zeke's Firearms on June 8, 2024 from 9am-1pm.

Mr. Mark Culpepper talked about a community outreach event at the Bayouside park on April 13, 2024 from 10am-3pm.

Mr. James Brabham talked about community events in town. He also stated the American Legion allowed them to use their building for storage of food.

H. Light up Lockport 5K Run

Councilman Detillier made a motion to allow this event to take place April 13, 2024. Councilman Boudreaux seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

I 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 Hartman to accept the police report as presented. It carried unanimously.

J. Engineers' Report

GIS presented a report to the Council. T Baker Smith presented a report to the Council.

K. Proclamations

1. Autism Awareness Month- April 2024

2. National Donate Life Month- April

Councilman Detillier made a motion to adopt proclamations. Councilman Boudreaux seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

L. Surplus (2) 2011 Crown Victoria police units and pea gravel and set minimum prices values.

Councilman Boudreaux made a motion to surplus vehicles and pea gravel. Police units will have a minimum bid starting at \$1,500 and \$1,000. Pea gravel will have a minimum bid of \$.03 per lb. Councilman Detillier seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

M. Authorize the Mayor to sign a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Lafourche Parish Government to accept a donation of Starlink equipment to be used for communication purposes in emergency situations.

Councilman Detillier made a motion. Councilman Boudreaux seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

N. Discuss and approve a generator maintenance contract

This was tabled. The Council wanted more information.

O. Call for a public hearing to amend the 4 way stop signs ordinance Councilman Boudreaux made a motion. Councilman Hartman seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

Councilman Hartman made a motion to add calling for a public hearing to adopt an ordinance to amend traffic fine ordinance to add crime lab fee to the agenda. Councilman Boudreaux seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

Councilman Detillier made a motion to call for public hearing to adopt an ordinance to amend traffic fine ordinance to add crime lab fee. Councilman Hartman seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

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

P. Public hearing to adopt an ordinance to add Section 46-11 to the Code of Ordinances to provide for and prohibit parking in fire lanes. There was no discussion. Mayor Plaisance asked three times, and there was no discussion.

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

Q. Adopt Ordinance 2024-03 to add Section 46-11 to the Code of Ordinances to provide for and prohibit parking in fire lanes. Councilman Hartman made a motion. Councilman Boudreaux seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

R. Reports:

1. Mayor Plaisance stated the playground equipment is fully operational. He talked about the drop off area at the middle school. We repaired it again with rocks temporarily until school is over. He spoke about the issues at the sewer plant such as flushable wipes. He reiterated not to flush these types of wipes because it causes major issues at the sewer plant. He stated we will be shopping around for property insurance. He thanked Lafourche Parish Animal Shelter for their help with the spay and neuter program. He mentioned planting trees in the park. He announced the Eggstravaganza is March 23, 2024 @ 2:00pm at the Lockport Ballpark. The Love the Boot event will be April 27, 2024 @ 8:00am.
2. Council
 - A. Councilman Boudreaux announced the KC Home events for the weekend. He mentioned the Love the Boot Event as well.
 - B. Councilman Hartman asked the Mayor about the Lafourche Fish and Game Commission meeting and issues with electricity in the back the lake.
 - C. Councilman Detillier mentioned the playground equipment. He also talked about the issues with the wharf at the park.
3. Town Attorney- No report.
4. Staff- No report

S. Adjourn

The next scheduled regular Town meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 16, 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 7:03PM.

_/_s/ Barry Plaisance_____
 Barry Plaisance, Mayor

_/_s/ Mandy Himel_____
 Mandy Himel, Town Clerk