

**Town of Lockport
Lockport, Louisiana**

Minutes of Regular Meeting February 23, 2021

The Mayor and Town Council met in regular session on Tuesday, February 23, 2021 at 7:00PM, at the Lockport Town Hall Complex.

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

Mayor Edward Reinhardt called the meeting to order. The meeting was live streamed through Facebook Live. The opening prayer was offered by Town Clerk, Mandy Himel. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Reinhardt.

D. Roll Call

The roll was called with the following present: Mayor Edward Reinhardt, Councilmembers Gary Acosta, Ernest Boudreaux, Tyler Detillier, and Bobbie Galjour. Councilman Rodney Hartman was present through FaceTime. Also present were Town Clerk Mandy Himel, Town Attorney Chris Huddleston, Police Chief David Harrelson, Jr., and Alan Badeaux.

E. Approval of Minutes for January 26, 2021, Regular Meeting

Mayor Reinhardt asked for approval of the minutes for January 26, 2021. 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 January 31, 2021

Mayor Reinhardt asked for a motion to accept the financial statements for the month ending January 31, 2021. Councilman Boudreaux moved, and Councilman Acosta seconded a motion to approve the financial statements as presented. It carried unanimously.

G. Police Report

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

H. Providence Report

Mayor Reinhardt called on Ms. Melanie Caillouet of Providence, who gave the monthly engineering status report as follows:

1. Infiltration/Investigation:

The three repairs were made to the services on Elizabeth Street. Based on the data from the last two storms (see charts below), there is still major infiltration happening in the Southwest Quadrant. I would like to move the monitors onto School Street and see if it may be coming from there.

2. CCTV Service Inspection of SE Quadrant:

DEQ has approved the engineering fees and now Lockport can be reimbursed for those fees. Providence plans to have the specs ready to go to quotes by the March meeting.

I. Public Hearing

1. To adopt an Ordinance to change the time of the regular meeting of the Town of Lockport from 7:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., to add rules providing for regular and special meetings, for meetings during a gubernatorially declared disaster or emergency, and for public comments at all meetings. Councilman Acosta made a motion to call for public hearing. Councilman Boudreaux seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously. No discussion. Councilman Boudreaux made a motion to get out of public hearing. Councilman Detillier seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

J. Adopt an Ordinance to change the time of the regular meeting of the Town of Lockport from 7:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., to add rules providing for regular and special meetings, for meetings during a gubernatorially declared disaster or emergency, and for public comments at all meetings. Councilman Acosta made a motion to accept the ordinance. Councilwoman Galjour seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

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

K. Public Hearing

1. Discuss having two meetings a month.
This failed due to lack of a motion.

L. Public hearing

1. Discuss the Mayor's salary
This discussion was tabled.

M. Public hearing

1. Discuss enforcing the signs at the park.

This discussion was tabled.

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

N. Reports:

1. Mayor Reinhardt talked about the Comeaux Drainage project. He talked about the Action Committee.

Mayor Reinhardt asked the Chief to go to 510 Catherine Street to deliver a notice. He also asked him about the enforcing the fence between Comeaux and Catherine Street and speeding.

2. Town of Lockport Action Committee

a. Alan Badeaux spoke about a Veteran's Memorial Poke Run on May 29, 2021. Mayor Reinhardt stated this date will depend on the status of Covid-19.

b. Mark Bergeron spoke about research and violations on animal ordinances, zoning, and blighted property.

c. Kenneth Matherne stated they handled out food and milk from Second Harvest, and they will be getting a truck every month.

3. Council

a. Councilman Boudreaux questioned the Chief about the police cars, and he expressed his concerns. The Mayor and the Councilmembers expressed their thoughts and concerns.

b. Councilman Detillier thanked Rodrigue Productions. He will continue to work on issues in town.

c. Councilman Acosta talked about abandoned buildings and donations for Lockport Bayouside Festival.

d. Councilman Hartman- No report

e. Councilwoman Galjour briefly expressed her thoughts about zoning/blighted property. She asked about permits and new businesses. She asked about fence at corner of Justin.

4. Town Attorney- no report

5. Staff- no report

O. Public wishing to address the Council

1. Mark Bergeron, 908 Catherine Street, asked the Chief about tickets and state troopers in town.

P. Adjourn

The next scheduled regular Town meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 16, 2021. There being no further business to come before the Council, a motion by Councilwoman Galjour to adjourn the meeting was seconded by Councilman Acosta. It carried unanimously. The meeting ended at 9:18PM.

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/s/ Edward Reinhardt

Edward Reinhardt, Mayor

/s/ Mandy Himel

Mandy Himel, Town Clerk