TOWN OF ADDIS MINUTES

April 5, 2017 – Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Town Council for the Town of Addis was held at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 5, 2017 at the Addis Municipal Building. The Pledge to the Flag was led by Mr. Huey Hebert.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Councilors Acosta; Cazes; Kelley; Parrish

Absent: Mayor Toups; Councilor LeBlanc

**MINUTES**

The minutes of the March 1, 2017 meeting were reviewed and approved on a motion made by Councilor Kelley; seconded by Councilor Cazes and adopted.

**ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

There were no additions to the agenda.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Mayor Pro-Temp, Rusty Parrish did not have any correspondence to share with the Town Council or Public.

**MR. PATRICK LAWLESS – CANDIDATE FOR STATE SENATE DISTRICT 2**

Mr. Lawless informed the Town Council and the Public that he is running for District 2 Louisiana State Senate. He shared that he is a lifelong resident of Assumption Parish, married for 30 years and served as police juror for 12 years. He stated that if anyone wanted to speak with him or ask him any questions he would be happy to do so after the meeting. Mr. Lawless thanked the Council for giving him the opportunity to introduce himself.

**RESOLUTION FOR MS. JULIE ROSE-WBR MUSEUM DIRECTOR**

Mayor Pro-Temp, Rusty Parrish informed everyone that West Baton Rouge Parish Museum Director, Mrs. Julie Rose was retiring. He stated that the Mayor and Town Council of Addis would like to recognize and commend Mrs. Rose for her valued leadership and service. Town Attorney, Dana Larpenteur read the following resolution clause, “A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE PARISH OF WEST BATON ROUGE AND THE WEST BATON ROUGE PARISH MUSEUM BY JULIE ROSE AND CONGRATULATING HER FOR A JOB WELL DONE”. The resolution was approved on a motion made by Councilor Acosta; seconded by Councilor Kelley and adopted.

**MR. GARY DRAGO – SEWER**

Mayor Pro-Temp, Rusty Parrish asked Mr. Drago to come forward and inform the Town Council and the Public of his inquiry/request. Mr. Drago stated that his father owns property located off of Myhand Street. He went on to say that his dad has a house on the property and adjacent to the house is existing cement runners where a mobile home use to be located. Mr. Drago informed the Council that he would like to purchase a brand new trailer and put it on the existing cement runners, but prior to doing so he needs to know if the existing sewer can be used or if a new sewer system would have to be installed prior to him moving a trailer on the property. He informed the council that there is one grinder pump on the property, but there are two separate water meters. Councilor Acosta stated that he doesn’t see where it would be a problem as long as DPW Supervisor, John Artigue can verify that there are no issues with the existing sewer lines and grinder pump and that there are two water meters. A motion to approve Mr. Drago’s request contingent upon verification from DPW Supervisor was made by Councilor Acosta; seconded by Councilor Cazes and adopted.

**ALCOHOL PERMIT-DOLLAR GENERAL**

Dollar General District Manager, Mr. Gregory Rush attended the meeting to address any questions or concerns pertaining to the Alcohol Permit that was submitted. Mr. Rush informed the Council that alcohol is already being sold at DG stores outside of Louisiana and of the 14 stores in his district, permits for two of them were recently approved and alcohol will be sold at those locations in the very near future. After further review and discussion by the Town Council, a motion to approve the Alcohol Permit for Dollar General Store #13891 located at 7858 6th Street, Addis, Louisiana was made by Councilor Kelley; seconded by Councilor Acosta and adopted.

**SURPLUS POLICE VEHICLES**

Chief of Police, Ricky Anderson stated that the Addis Police Department would provide the Town Clerk with the VIN numbers and vehicle descriptions for the public bid notice that needs to be published. A motion declaring the vehicles as surplus and that they are no longer needed for public service was made by Councilor Kelley; seconded by Councilor Cazes and adopted.

**DOTD GRASS CUTTING CONTRACT**

The Town Council reviewed and briefly discussed the DOTD Grass Cutting Contract. A motion authorizing Mayor David Toups to sign the Contract was made by Councilor Acosta; seconded by Councilor Cazes and adopted.

**INTERGOVERMENTAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH PARISH-GARBAGE CONTRACT**

After brief discussion, a motion was made by Councilor Acosta; seconded by Councilor Kelley to approve the following resolution, “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HONORABLE DAVID H. TOUPS ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN OF ADDIS, LOUISIANA, TO ENTER IN TO AN EXTENSION OF THE LOCAL SERVICE AGREEMENT REGARDING GARBAGE COLLECTION WITH THE PARISH OF WEST BATON ROUGE, AND AUTHORIZING HIM TO SIGN ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO ACCOMPLISH THE SAME”. The motion was adopted on the following roll call vote: Yeas: Acosta, Cazes, Kelley, Parrish; Nays: None; Absent: LeBlanc; Abstaining: None.

**REPORTS**

**Parish Council:** Parish Councilman, Kirk Allain reported that he attended a meeting discussing future plans for LA Highway 1 and the Intracoastal. He said he would provide a copy of the preliminary plan for both north bound and south bound lanes.

**Police Report:** The police report for the month of March was provided by Chief Ricky Anderson and included 215 traffic citations; 20 misdemeanor arrests; 2 felony arrests; and 13 vehicle crashes worked. The **Misdemeanor Arrests** included 2 domestic violence cases, 1 violation of PROT. order, 1 theft, 3 disturbances, 10 warrants and 3 traffic. The **Felony Arrests** included 1 second degree battery and 1 child abuse.

**Sewer Report:** The sewer report for the month of March was read by Councilor Parrish and included 87 equipment failures, 52 jammed pumps, 2 leaks, 3 tank installations, 1 tank relocation, 53 scada calls, 2 rewiring jobs and many infiltrations.

**Planning & Zoning Commission:**

1. **Subdivision of Property – Huey Hebert – Public Hearing** – This item was placed on the February 21, 2017 Planning & Zoning Commission meeting agenda, but due to a lack of a quorum the meeting was not called to order. Therefore, this item was sent directly to the Town Council with no action from the Planning & Zoning Commission due to deadlines that the Hebert family had to meet by May 2017. Mr. Court Bradford spoke on behalf of the Hebert family and informed the Town Council and the Public of the family’s request. He stated that currently there are two existing lots with homes on each one. He said the Hebert family would like to adjust the property line to eliminate the current encroachment issue, so one of the lots can be sold to another family member. He stated they are simply requesting an exchange of property and do not wish to create any new lots. After further discussion, Mayor Pro-Temp, Rusty Parrish opened a public hearing. Hearing no additional questions or comments, he then closed the public hearing and turned it over to the Town Council for discussion and action. After further discussion and review of the plat that was submitted, Councilor Acosta suggested that the plat be amended to reflect the ROW on the north side of the property where the Hebert and Soniat property join. With no further discussion, a motion to approve the request for exchange of property was made by Councilor Kelley; seconded by Councilor Acosta and adopted. A copy of the map is attached to and will be made a part of these minutes.

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES**

No ordinances were introduced.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Finance:** Amotion to pay the bills found in order was made by Councilor Acosta; seconded by Councilor Cazes and adopted.

**Police:** No report was provided.

**Personnel:** No report was provided.

**Sewer:** Mayor Pro-Temp, Rusty Parrish stated that we need to look into the cost of the grinder pumps that we are currently installing. He stated that he knows a company that sells and installs the pumps and the cost is much less. Councilor Acosta suggested that he obtain the specs and let the Town’s Engineer, Oscar Boudreaux and the Town’s DPW Supervisor, John Artigue review them to determine if the pumps are comparable.

**Drainage:** No report was provided.

**Buildings:** The Town Council reviewed and discussed all three quotes submitted from Gauthreaux Builders, LLC for the Town Hall roof repairs. A motion to approve estimate #777 in the amount of $32,640.00 for Town Hall roof repairs and to authorize the Mayor, David H. Toups to sign any documents pertaining to the repairs was made by Councilor Kelley; seconded by Councilor Acosta and adopted.

**Streets and Roads:** Councilor Acosta informed the Council that he will be meeting with Mr. Oscar Boudreaux, the Town’s Engineer to discuss upcoming road projects in the Town of Addis, which will be the first filing of Acadian Crossing.

**EXECUTIVE SESSIONS**

An Executive Session was not held.

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

No other business was discussed.

**ADJOURN**

Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m. on a motion made by Councilor Acosta; seconded by Councilor Cazes and adopted.

/s/ Jade V. Simpson /s/ Rusty Parrish\_\_\_

Town Clerk Mayor Pro-Temp