TOWN OF ADDIS MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Town Council for the Town of Addis was held at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 2, 2015 at the Addis Municipal Center. The Pledge to the Flag was led by Chief Ricky Anderson.

**Roll Call: Present:** Mayor Toups; Councilors Acosta; Cazes; Gauthreaux; Kelley; Parrish.

**Absent:** None

**Minutes:** The minutes of the August 5th regular meeting were approved, as mailed, on a motion by Councilor Acosta, 2nd by Councilor Cazes and adopted.

**Amend Agenda:** The Agenda was amended to add an Executive Session for Personnel and a Police matter on a motion by Councilor Gauthreaux, 2nd by Councilor Kelley and adopted.

**Public Comments:** There were no public comments.

**Correspondence:** Mayor Toups advised (1) A letter was received from Governor Jindal awarding a LGAP grant in the amount of $25,084.00 to the Town of Addis; (2) A letter from Cox Communications with channel changes and other information was received, and (3) The CRPC meeting will be held in Gonzales at 6 p.m. on Monday, September 21, 2015.

**Grass Cutting Bids:** Mayor Toups asked three times for bids from the floor. There were no bids from the floor and the one bid which was received was opened: Collins Mowing, L.L.C. ----$2,245.00 per month. Following a review of the bid by the Attorney, a motion was made by Councilor Gauthreaux, 2nd by Councilor Acosta to accept the bid of Collins Mowing, L.L.C. in the amount of $2,245.00 per month for the year September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2016 for grass cutting along LA 1 within the Town limits. The motion was adopted unanimously.

**Bids on Police Cars**: No bids were received on the police cars. Chief Anderson asked that one of the cars be donated to the Baton Rouge Constable’s office. On the advice of Mr. Larpenteur, a motion was made by Councilor Acosta, 2nd by Councilor Gauthreaux to donate one of the abandoned police cars to the Baton Rouge Constable with an

Intergovernmental Agreement drawn up between the Town of Addis and the Constable’s office. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Parish Council:**  Mr. Randy Mouch advised that the Parish is working on getting sand and sand bags at all Fire Stations in the Parish, and on getting better lighting at Myhand Park. He further advised that the Splash Pads at the parks will be closed after the Labor Day weekend.

**Open Container:** A request for an Open Container Permit, by Mr. Randy Mouch, for a Prejean Family Reunion to be held on October 10th at Myhand Park was approved on a motion by Councilor Kelley, 2nd by Councilor Parrish and adopted.

**Police Report:**  The monthly police report, given by Chief Anderson, included 135 citations written; 9 misdemeanor arrests; 2 felony arrests and 11 wrecks worked. The **misdemeanor arrests** were: 2-disturbance related; 1-hit and run; 1-narcotics; 3-warrants; and 2-simple battery. The **felony arrests** were: 1-narcotics (crystal meth); and 1 cruelty to the infirm.

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**Sewer Report:** The sewer report, read by Mayor Toups, included 98 equipment failures (48 due to power outage); 13 jammed pumps; 3 leaks; 1 tank installation; 1 discharge line relocation; and 1 miscellaneous. There were 24 Scada calls. Two pumps were replaced and the sewer machine was run at the Condos in Sugar Mill.

A motion was made by Councilor Cazes, 2nd by Councilor Acosta to authorize the purchase of parts needed to repair/replace the flow meters at the plant. The motion was adopted.

**Planning & Zoning:** None

**Mobile Home Ordinance Update:** Mr. Larpenteur gave a report on some changes made to the present Ordinance. He is redrafting the ordinance and will advise more later.

**Ordinance #2015-12:** Mayor Toups opened a public hearing on Ordinance #2015-12 which amends and supplements the Addis Code of Ordinances particularly Chapter 14, Article I, Division 5. There were no public comments and the Mayor closed the Public Hearing and turned the Ordinance over to the Town Council for discussion and decision.

A motion was made by Councilor Acosta, 2nd by Councilor Kelley to accept Ordinance #2015-12, as presented. The motion was adopted on the following roll call vote: Yeas: Acosta; Cazes; Gauthreaux; Kelley; Parrish. Nays: None Absent: None Abstaining: None.

A copy of the Ordinance is attached to and becomes a part of these minutes.

**Ordinance #2015-13:** Mayor Toups opened a public hearing on Ordinance #2015-13 which suspends the effect of certain sections of the Addis Code of Ordinances, particularly, Chapter 3, Article I, Section 3-l.1, subsections (a), (b) and (c). There were no comments from those present and the public hearing was closed. Mayor Toups turned the Ordinance over to the Council for their discussion and decision.

A motion was made by Councilor Acosta, 2nd by Councilor Cazes to accept Ordinance #2015-3, as presented. The motion was adopted on the following roll call vote: Yeas: Acosta; Cazes; Gauthreaux; Kelley; Parrish. Nays: None Absent: None Abstaining: None

A copy of Ordinance #2015-13 is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

**Chamber Use:** A motion was made by Councilor Cazes, 2nd by Councilor Kelley to approve the use of the Chambers for “Coffee with Superintendent Wes Watts” on October 5th from 7:30 am to 8:30 am. The motion was adopted unanimously.

**Employee Meeting:** Mayor Toups set the annual employee meeting/dinner on Thursday, October 15th. A motion was made by Councilor Acosta, 2nd by Councilor Kelley to expend funds necessary for the meeting. The motion was adopted.

**Introduction of Ordinances:** A motion was made by Councilor Acosta, 2nd by Councilor Cazes to advertise for the adoption of Ordinance #2015-14, to adopt NFPA-1 Fire Code; and #2015-15 to adopt NFPA 101, Life Safety Code as required by PAIL, with public hearings to be held at the regular meeting of the Mayor and Town Council on October 7, 2015. The motion was adopted.

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**Committee Reports: Finance:** A motion was made by Councilor Acosta, 2nd by Councilor Kelley to pay bills found in order.

Following a presentation by Mayor Toups, a motion was made by Councilor Acosta, 2nd by Councilor Gauthreaux to transfer funds from Sunset Financial to Investor Bank. The motion was adopted unanimously.

**Centennial Update:**  Mayor Toups gave an update on the plans for the 100th anniversary celebration. Councilor Gauthreaux asked that the Town’s servitudes not be taped off during the parade.

**Police Committee:** Executive Session **Sewerage:** None **Personnel:** Executive Session

**Drainage:** None **Buildings:** A discussion was held on the fans at the Park. Prices will be obtained to replace them.

**Executive Session:** At 7:10 p.m. a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss Personnel and a Police matter was made by Councilor Gauthreaux, 2nd by Councilor Cazes and adopted.

At 7:24 p.m. a motion to return to regular session was made by Councilor Acosta, 2nd by Councilor Kelley and adopted. Mayor Toups advised that personnel and a police matter were discussed in Executive Session.

**Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m. on a motion by Councilor Kelley, 2nd by Councilor Acosta and adopted.

*s/ David H. Toups*

*s/ Vera T. Lucas*  David H. Toups

Vera T. Lucas Mayor

Town Clerk