TOWN OF ADDIS MINUTES

August 2, 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, August 2, 2017 at the Addis Municipal Building located at 7818 Highway 1 South. The Pledge to the Flag was led by Assistant Chief, David Jones.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor David Toups; Councilors Acosta, Cazes, Kelley, LeBlanc, Parrish

Absent: None

**MINUTES**

The minutes of the July 5th meeting were reviewed and approved on a motion made by Councilor Kelley; seconded by Councilor LeBlanc and adopted.

**ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

Chief Ricky Anderson requested that Redflex Traffic Cameras be added to the agenda for discussion. Additions to the agenda were approved on a motion made by Councilor Acosta; seconded by Councilor Parrish and adopted.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Chief Ricky Anderson congratulated Mayor Toups and the Town Council on receiving an Honorable Mention award at the LMA Convention for the Effluent Pump WWTP Project. Mayor Toups then congratulated the Town of Brusly for also receiving an Honorable Mention award at the LMA Convention.

**SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION - EFFLUENT PUMP STATION PROJECT**

Mr. Oscar Boudreaux reported that the Effluent Pump WWTP Project was completed by Tullier Services on July 13th and recommended that it be accepted. A motion to accept the Substantial Completion of the Effluent Pump WWTP Project was made by Councilor Acosta; seconded by Councilor Kelley and adopted.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**2017-2018 GRASS CUTTING – AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS**

A motion authorizing Mayor David Toups to advertise for 2017-2018 Grass Cutting Bids was made by Councilor Cazes; seconded by Councilor Kelley and adopted.

**REPORTS**

**Parish Council:** Parish Councilman, Kirk Allain was unable to attend the meeting. Mayor Toups reported that he is scheduled to meet with WBR Parish officials to begin planning for the 2020 Census.

**Police Report:** The police report for the month of July was provided by Chief Ricky Anderson and included 205 citations; 11 misdemeanor arrests; 4 felony arrests; and 12 vehicle crashes worked. The **Misdemeanor Arrests** included 1 Theft, 1 DWI, 3 Disturbances, 6 Warrants and 1 Missing Juvenile (Not Arrested). The **Felony Arrests** included 3 Narcotics and 1 Vehicle Theft. He reported that the missing juvenile was located.

**Sewer Report:** The sewer report for the month of July was read by Mayor Toups and included 67 equipment failures, 34 jammed pumps, 1 tank installation, 2 electrical relocations, and 24 Scada calls.

**Planning & Zoning Commission:**

1. **Home Occupation – Jeremy Mouch –** The Council reviewed and briefly discussed Mr. Jeremy Mouch’s request for a Home Occupation License to manufacture custom fishing rods and repair and clean fishing reels. The request was approved on a motion made by Councilor Kelley; seconded by Councilor LeBlanc and adopted.
2. **Home Occupation – Kevin Bayham –** The Council reviewed and discussed Mr. Kevin Bayham’s request for a Home Occupation License to operate a Metal Fabrication (water cutting) business. Councilor Acosta suggested that Mr. Bayham find out more information on the disposal of the water after it’s been used for the fabrication. He stated that since Mr. Bayham monthly sewer fee is based on the consumption of the water he uses, he thinks it makes sense to have the water drain into the Town’s sewer system. He would like to confirm that the garnet material being used along with the water is filtered out properly and will not do harm to the sewer system. The request was approved on a motion made by Councilor Acosta; seconded by Councilor Kelley and adopted.

**REDFLEX TRAFFIC CAMERAS**

Chief Anderson went over the findings of the traffic study that was done by Redflex and stated that based on the study; it is obvious there is an issue with speeding and red light violations within the Town of Addis. He went on to say that the cameras would not only deter drivers from speeding and running red lights but they would be extremely helpful when investigating crashes that happen near the intersections along Highway 1 in the Town. Councilor Acosta stated that he believes it is a great system based on the information that was previously provided by Redflex, but would like to know more about the legal aspect of it before making a decision. He made a recommendation that Chief Anderson contact Redflex to obtain a copy of some form of contract to be reviewed closely by the Town’s attorney and discussed at the next meeting. All other Councilors were in agreement with Councilor Acosta’s recommendation.

**PUBLIC HEARING AND ACTION ON INTRODUCED ORDINANCE 2017-4**

After the reading of the ordaining clause by Mr. Larpenteur, Mayor Toups opened a Public Hearing. After hearing no questions or comments, Mayor Toups closed the Public Hearing and turned it over to the Council for review. A motion was made by Councilor Acosta; seconded by Councilor LeBlanc to approve Ordinance 2017-4 as written, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE ADDIS CODE OF ORDINANCES, PARTICULARLY, APPENDIX B SUBDIVISIONS, SECTION 11 BY ADDING SECTION 11 - IMPROVEMENTS, PARAGRAPH (G) TO PROVIDE FOR ADDITIONAL IMPROVEMENT REQUIREMENTS OF SUBDIVISIONS PARTICULARLY FOR EARTHWORK, SEWER, SEWER LIFT STATIONS, IN-FIELD COATING, TESTING, STORM DRAINAGE , WATER AND GAS STREET CROSSINGS, LIME TREATMENT, CURB AND GUTTER REQUIREMENTS, SOIL CEMENT TREATMENT, ASPHALT PAVING, CONCRETE PAVING, CONCRETE SIDEWALKS, STREET LIGHTING AND GENERAL CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS”. The motion was adopted on the following roll call vote: YEAS: Acosta, Cazes, Kelley, LeBlanc, Parrish; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAINING: None.

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES**

There were no ordinances introduced.

**MUNICODE**

Councilor Acosta stated that he spoke with a Municode representative at the LMA Convention and is interested in having them review all of our ordinances. Mayor Toups stated that he will follow-up with them to find out more information and obtain a proposal to be reviewed and discussed at the next meeting.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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

**Police:** Chief Anderson reported that the two new Tahoe Units are in service.

**Personnel:** No report was provided.

**Sewer:** No report was provided.

**Drainage:** No report was provided.

**Buildings:** Mayor Toups reported that he met with Mr. Gauthreaux to get an update on the roof repairs and he was told that due to the rain they have been unable to start the project, but are hoping to begin around August 15th.

**Streets and Roads:** Mayor Toups stated thatbids for the 2017 Road Improvement Project in Acadian Crossing will be accepted on August 22nd.

**EXECUTIVE SESSIONS**

An Executive Session was not held.

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

None

**ADJOURN**

Meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m. on a motion made by Councilor Kelley; seconded by Councilor Parrish and adopted.

/s/\_Jade V. Simpson\_\_ /s/ \_David Toups\_\_\_

Town Clerk Mayor