

# TOWN OF HAUGHTON COUNCIL MEETING

NOVEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup>, 2021

THE COUNCIL MEETING WAS HELD AT THE HAUGHTON TOWN HALL ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup>, 2021 AT 6:00 P.M.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE DOUG ADAMS, COLBY ISOM, PHILLIP SMITH AND CARLTON ANDERSON.

THE MEETING WAS PRESIDED OVER BY MAYOR KIM GASPARD.

NEIL ERWIN, TOWN ATTORNEY, WAS PRESENT.

THE MEETING WAS OPENED WITH PRAYER BY PHILLIP SMITH AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS LED BY BUC MCGEE.

THERE WERE A NUMBER OF CITIZENS ATTENDING.

CHIEF HOLLAND GAVE THE FIRE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT. HE STATED THAT ON OCTOBER 5<sup>TH</sup> THE FIRE EDUCATION CLASS TOOK PLACE FOR FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH HAUGHTON'S PRESCHOOL. APPROXIMATELY 60 STUDENTS WERE PRESENT. ON THE SAME DAY, THE HAUGHTON FIRE DEPARTMENT PARTICIPATED IN NATIONAL NIGHT OUT. ON OCTOBER 9<sup>TH</sup>, THE HAUGHTON FIRE DEPARTMENT HOSTED THEIR OPEN HOUSE. APPROXIMATELY 100 VISITORS WERE PRESENT. BOSSIER PARISH EMS WERE ALSO ON SCENE AS WELL AS HAUGHTON POLICE DEPARTMENT. DAILY TRAINING CONTINUES FOR FULL-TIME PERSONNEL. ON OCTOBER 28<sup>TH</sup> THROUGH OCTOBER 30<sup>TH</sup>, CHIEF HOLLAND ATTENDED THE LOUISIANA FIRE CHIEF'S FALL SYMPOSIUM IN RUSTON.

CHIEF GIBSON GAVE THE POLICE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT. HE STATED THAT ALONG WITH THE HAUGHTON FIRE DEPARTMENT, THEY RAISED OVER \$800 DOLLARS PARTICIPATING IN NATIONAL NIGHT OUT. CHIEF GIBSON WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE CHRISTMAS IN HAUGHTON CREW FOR ORGANIZING THE FOOD DRIVE AS WELL AS THOSE WHO DONATED. FOOD WAS DELIVERED TO THE ACTION HOUSE BY THE CHRISTMAS IN HAUGHTON CREW AND HAUGHTON POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR HICKS GAVE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT. HE STATED THAT 5 NEW METERS WERE INSTALLED, ALONG WITH 7 CUSTOMERS RECEIVING NEW METER TOPS. CONSTRUCTION AT THE NEW SEWER PLANT CONTINUES. THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT COMPLETED THE DITCHES ON FOX CREEK DRIVE. THEY ALSO CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN THE GRASS AT LIFT STATIONS, WELLS, THE SEWER PLANT, ON ROADSIDES, DITCHES, AND THE PARK. NEW SPEED LIMIT AND "SLOW! CHILDREN AT PLAY!" SIGNS WERE INSTALLED IN THE SOUTHERN OAKS SUBDIVISION. THEY ALSO INSTALLED NEW "SLOW! CHILDREN AT PLAY!" SIGNS IN OAK WOOD.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CARLTON ADNERSON TO APPROVE THE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER, 2021, SECONDED BY DOUG ADAMS. THERE WERE NO COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE. MOTION CARRIED. AYES: 5 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN 0

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PHILLIP SMITH TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 11 OF 2021 – DECLARING AS SURPLUS THE FURNITURE STORE AT 147 AND 149 SOUTH ELM STREET. SECONDED BY BUC MCGEE. THERE WERE NO COMMENTS FROM THE OFFICE AYES: 5 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

THE FURNITURE STORE IS WAITING ON THE REALTOR FOR THE CLOSING DATE.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PHILLIP SMITH TO INTRODUCE ORDINACNE 12 OF 2021 – AMDENDING THE 2021 BUDGET. SECONDED BY CARLTON ANDERSON. THERE WERE NO COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE. AYES: 5 NAYS: 0 ABESENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DOUG ADAMS TO INTRODUCE ORDINANCE 13 OF 2021 – ACCEPTING THE 2022 BUDGET. SECONDED BY PHILLIP SMITH. THERE WERE NO PUBLIC COMMENTS. AYES: 5 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BUC MCGEE TO INTRODUCE ORDINANCE 14 OF 2021 – AMDENDING SECTION 1 OF ORDINANCE 1 OF 1976, SETTING SALARIES FOR THE ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS OF THE TOWN OF HAUGHTON. SECONDED BY DOUG ADAMS. THERE WERE NO PUBLIC COMMETNS. AYES: 5 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PHILLIP SMITH TO INTRODUCE ORDINANCE 15 OF 2021 – AND ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 6 OF 2020 FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF LOT 2, SOUTHERN OAKS SUBDIVISION UNIT 4 FROM RESIDENTIAL LOW DENSITY TO RESIDENTIAL AGRICULTURAL. SECONDED BY BUC MCGEE. THERE WERE NO PUBLIC COMMENTS. AYES: 5 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

MPC DIRECTOR, SAM MARSIGLIA, STATED HE IS WORKING ON REAPPOINTING SANDRA JONES ON THE MPC. HE WANTS A WORKSHOP WITH THE COUNCIL ON MOBILE HOME CODES. HE ALSO STATED THAT MIDEN MEDICAL CENTER IS GETTING READY TO PULL PERMITS TO START BUILDING.

PUBLIC COMMETNS:

MS. ALLEN ADDRESSED THE COUNCIL ABOUT HORSES ON CAMP ZION ROAD. HER NEIGHBOR MOVED IN 2 HORSES AND THE SMELL IS TERRIBLE. THE MAYOR ADVISES THAT OUR ORDINANCES ONLY COVER PIGS AND CHICKENS, BUT NOTHING ABOUT HORSES.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.

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MISTY PEE, TOWN CLERK

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KIM GASPARD, MAYOR