

TOWN OF HAUGHTON COUNCIL MEETING

JANUARY 10TH, 2022

THE COUNCIL MEETING WAS HELD AT THE HAUGHTON TOWN HALL ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 10TH, 2022 AT 6:00 P.M.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE DOUG ADAMS, CARLTON ANDERSON, BUCK MCGEE, COLBY ISOM, & PHILLIP SMITH

THE MEETING WAS PRESIDED OVER BY MAYOR GASPARD

NEIL ERWIN, TOWN ATTORNEY, WAS PRESENT.

THE COUNCIL MEETING WAS OPENED WITH PRAYER BY PHILLIP SMITH AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS LED BY NEIL ERWIN.

THERE WERE SEVERAL CITIZENS PRESENT.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PHILLIP SMITH TO APPROVE THE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER, 2022. 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 BUCK MCGEE TO ACCEPT THE FINANCIALS FROM NOVEMBER. SECONDED BY CARLTON ANDERSON. 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 ACCEPT ORDINANCE 8 OF 2022 – AMENDING ORDINANCE 2 OF 1992 SETTING CONDITIONS AND FINES FOR OPERATING A VEHICLE WITH A WEIGHT OF 30,000 LBS OR MORE ON MUNICIPAL STREETS AND ROADS. SECONDED BY DOUG ADAMS THERE WERE NO COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE. AYES: 5 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

THE ORGANIZATION, CHRISTMAS IN HAUGHTON, GAVE THE AWARD AND PRESENTATION OF THE BATTLE OF THE BADGES THAT WAS HOSTED AT NATIONAL NIGHT OUT. POLICE CHIEF, TODD GIBSON, WAS AWARDED THE TROPHY. CHRISTMAS IN HAUGHTON STATED THEY ARE ALREADY MAKING PLANS FOR NEXT YEAR'S EVENT. THEY ALSO STATED THAT THE CHRISTMAS IN HAUGHTON EVENT WILL PLAN TO STAY AT HAUGHTON MIDDLE SCHOOL.

THE COUNCILMEN WERE PRESENTED WITH THE FINANCIALS FOR DECEMBER. BUCK MCGEE MADE A MOTION TO INTRODUCE THEM. SECONDED BY PHILLIP SMITH. THERE WERE NO COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS.

MAYOR, KIM GASPARD STATED THAT THERE IS NO NEW INFORMATION ON THE PROPOSED LAND SALE ON HWY 614 FOR THE COLLINWOOD SUBDIVISION.

MAYOR KIM GASPARD STATED THAT WE ARE STILL IN THE RUNNING FOR THE WATER SECTOR FUNDS TO BE USED FOR THE WATER WELL PROJECT. THE WATER SECTOR COMMISSION MET IN DECEMBER. THERE WILL BE ANOTHER MEETING ON JANUARY 19TH, 2023 THAT THE MAYOR IS THINKING ABOUT ATTENDING.

FIRE CHIEF JIMMY HOLLAND GAVE THE MONTHLY FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT. HE STATED THAT THE DEPARTMENT PARTICIPATED IN THE CHRISTMAS IN HAUGHTON PARADE ON DECEMBER 10TH. ON DECEMBER 24TH, SANTA CLAUS MADE HIS ROUNDS THROUGHOUT THE TOWN. ALL APPARATUS ARE IN SERVICE. FIRE PUMPS ARE SCHEDULED TO BE TESTED ON JANUARY 9TH. DAILY TRAINING CONTINUES FOR FULL-TIME PERSONNEL, AND PERSONNEL IS CURRENTLY REVIEWING MEDICAL LICENSES.

POLICE CHIEF TODD GIBSON GAVE THE MONTHLY POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT. HE STATED THAT 97 CITATIONS WERE GIVEN AND THEY HAD 142 SERVICE CALLS. 201 KIDS RECEIVED CHRISTMAS VIA HPD, AND THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO SUPPORTED THE CAUSE. TOTAL TICKETS FOR 2022 WERE 1,331, AND TOTAL SERVICE CALLS FOR 2022 WERE 1,514.

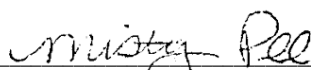
PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR JACKY HICKS GAVE THE COUNCIL THE MONTHLY PUBLIC WORKS REPORT. HE STATED THAT WELLS 6, 7, AND 8 WENT DOWN DURING THE FREEZE, BUT THEY DID MANAGE TO KEEP THE TOWN WITH WATER. WELL, #5 SHOULD BE UP AND RUNNING BY THE END OF THE MONTH. THE SEWER PLANT IS UP AND RUNNING, BUT THE BELT PRESS IS TOO SMALL AT THE SEWER PLANT TO KEEP UP WITH THE SLUDGE CONTROL.

MPC DIRECTOR, SAM MARSIGLIA, STATED HE RECEIVED THE TRAFFIC COUNT TO USE TO MAKE A MAJOR STREET PLAN FOR THE TOWN. HE WANTS TO CALL A WORKSHOP WITH THE COUNCIL FOR THE FUTURE ROADS. LOOKING AT APRIL AND MAY. HE ALSO WANTS TO CREATE A NEW ZONING ORDINANCE FOR THE PARISH AND TOWN.

MMLH REP, JEREMY HEBRON WAS AT THE MEETING. HE STATED THAT LIKE JACKY HICKS SAID, WELL #5 US IS SCHEDULED TO GO LIVE AT THE END OF THIS MONTH.

MAYOR KIM GASPARD STATED THAT THERE IS AN ISSUE NEAR BUCCANEER LANE. THERE IS A RETENTION POND THAT IS NOT FUNCTIONING CORRECTLY. HE ALSO STATED THAT THE POLICE JURY HAS PLANS TO REPLACE THE CULVERT NEAR BUCCANEER LANE AS WELL.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.


MISTY PEE, TOWN CLERK


KIM GASPARD, MAYOR