

# TOWN OF HAUGHTON COUNCIL MEETING

FEBRUARY 14<sup>TH</sup>, 2022

THE COUNCIL MEETING WAS HELD AT THE HAUGHTON TOWN HALL ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14<sup>TH</sup>, 2023 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 BUCK MCGEE.

THERE WERE SEVERAL CITIZENS PRESENT.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BUCK MCGEE TO APPROVE THE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 2023. 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 THE FINANCIALS FROM DECEMBER 2022. SECONDED BY BUCK MCGEE. THERE WERE NO COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE. MOTION CARRIED. AYES: 5 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN:0

THE COUNCILMEN WERE NOTIFIED THAT THE FINANCIALS FOR JANUARY 2023 WERE NOT READY TO PRESENT AT THE CURRENT MEETING.

CHRISTMAS IN HAUGHTON WAS PRESENT. ANNIE GREEN STATED THAT THE PROPOSED DATE FOR THE 2023 CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL WOULD BE DECEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup>, 2023 AT HAUGHTON MIDDLE SCHOOL.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BUCK MCGEE TO ACCEPT RESOLUTION 1 OF 2023 – A TWELVE MONTH MORATORIUM ON SUBDIVISION LOT SIZE WITH MINIMUM SIZE FIXED AT 140' x 70'x, SUBJECT TO EXTENSION, WHILE THE TOWN AND MPC OF HAUGHTON PURSUES A "FUTURE LAND USE PLAN". THIS IS A RENEWAL OF THE PRIOR 6-MONTH MORATORIUM THAT ENDED LAST WEEK. SECONDED BY PHILLIP SMITH. THERE WERE NO COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE. MOTION CARRIED AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PHILLIP SMITH TO ACCEPT RESOLUTION 2 OF 2023 – ENACTING A TWELVE-MONTH MORATORIUM ON MANUFACTURED HOME PARKS AND MANUFACTURED HOME SUBDIVISIONS, SUBJECT TO EXTENSION, WHILE THE TOWN AND MPC PURSUE A "FUTURE LAND USE PLAN".

MAYOR KIM GASPARD PRESENTED A PROCLAMATION FOR "COAH DARIN WALKER DAY". COACH WALKER IS RETIRING AFTER 33 YEARS OF SERVICE WITH 26 OF THOSE IN HAUGHTON. THIS WILL BE PRESENTED AT A PEP RALLY ON FEBRUARY 23<sup>RD</sup>, 2023.

FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES, WE HAVE RECEIVED OUR ENGAGEMENT LETTER FROM COOK AND MOREHART, OUR AUDITORS. DUE TO OUR USDA GRANT REQUIREMENTS, OUR AUDIT MUST BE COMPLETED BY MAY 31<sup>ST</sup>, 2023.

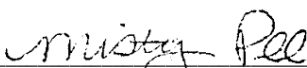
FIRE CAPTAIN SHAWN STEWART GAVE THE MONTHLY FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT. HE STATED THAT FIREFIGHTER DRAYDON DELESE HAS BEEN HIRED FULL-TIME TO FILL A VACANCY. ALL APPARATUS ARE IN SERVICE. DAILY TRAINING CONTINUES FOR FULL-TIME PERSONNEL. THE HFD IS CURRENTLY WORKING WITH BOSSIER CITY FIRE TO ADMINISTER A PILOT RECRUITMENT PROGRAM TO ALLOW EMPLOYEES OUTSIDE THE CITY TO ATTEND BCFD'S ACADEMY. DRAYDON DELESE WILL BE THEIR ENROLLEE WHO WILL ATTEND A 10-WEEK PORTION OF THE ACADEMY TO OBTAIN HIS EMT. THE AFG GRANT HAS BEEN SUBMITTED TO FEMA. THEY REQUESTED A FIRE ENGINE WITH AN ESTIMATED COST OF \$750,000.00 THIS IS A HIGHLY COMPETITIVE GRANT. THE SUCCESS RATE OF THIS GRANT IS NOT HIGH, BUT THEY DO HAVE THE ENDORSEMENTS OF SEVERAL LEGISLATORS.

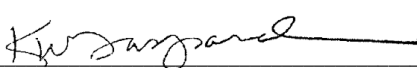
PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR JACKY HICKS WAS ABSENT.

MPC DIRECTOR, SAM MARSIGLIA, STATED HE RECEIVED THAT HE PLANS TO HAVE A MEETING MONDAY NIGHT.

MMLH REP, JEREMY HEBRON WAS AT THE MEETING. HE STATED THAT WELL 5 IS ABOUT A WEEK OUT FROM BEING COMPLETE. THE WASTE WATER PLANT IS IN COMPLIANCE.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.

  
MISTY PEE, TOWN CLERK

  
KIM GASPARD, MAYOR