TOWN OF HAUGHTON COUNCIL MEETING

MAY 10TH, 2023

THE COUNCIL MEETING WAS HELD AT THE HAUGHTON TOWN HALL ON TUESDAY, MAY 11TH, 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, PRESENT

THERE WERE SEVERAL CITIZENS PRESENT.

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

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BUCK MCGEE TO ADD RESOLUTION 6 OF 2023 – CDGN-MIT DOCUMENT RESOLUTION. SECONDED BY CARLTON ADNERSON. 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 THE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 2023. SECONDED BY DOUG ADAMS. THERE WERE NO COMMENTS OR OUESTIONS 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 MARCH 2023. SECONDED BY CARLTON ADNERSON. 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 PRESENT THE FINANCIALS FOR APRIL 2023. SECONDED BY BUCK MCGEE. 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 RESOLUTION 6 OF 2023 – CDBG-MIT CORE DOCUMENT RESOLUTION. SECONDED BY PHILLIP SMITH. MOTION CARRIED AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

FIRE CHIEF JIMMY HOLLAND GAVE THE MONTHLY REPORT FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. HE STATED THAT FIREFIGHTER DELESE HAS COMPLETED THE PILOT PROGRAM THROUGH BCFD. ALL APPARATUS ARE IN SERVICE WITH SERVICE AND REPAIRS BEGINNING IN MAY. HYDRANT FLOW TESTS HAVE STARTED. CHIEF HAS SIGNED A NEW MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT WITH BAFB. HE AS ALSO BEEN SELECTED FOR THE LOUISIANA FIRE DELEGATION. DAILY TRAINING HAS CONTINUED FOR FULL-TIME PERSONNEL.

POLICE CHIEF TODD GIBSON GAVE THE MONTHLY REPORT FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. HE STATED THAT THEY ISSUED 104 TICKETS AND HAD 163 SERVICE CALLED. THEY HAVE ALSO SIGNED UP WITH THE VIRTUAL ACADEMY, WHICH IS ONLINE POLICE RELATED TRAINING FOR OFFICERS. OFFICER MUNDS LEAVES FOR ACTIVE DUTY FOR ONE YEAR IN MAY. HPD PARTICIAPTED IN A FAMILY FUN DAY AT GALILEE BAPTIST CHURCH. THEY ALSO ASSISTED 1ST BAPTIST CHURCH HAUGHTON WITH THEIR ANNUAL CLEAN UP DAY BY PROVIDING ESCORTS OF CLEAN UP CREWS.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR JACKY HICKS GAVE THE MONTHLY REPORT FOR PUBLIC WORKS. HE STATED THAT THEY REPAIRED A LEAK ON S. CHERRY. REPAIR A LINE ON FITIZWILLIAM, AND FIXED A MAIN ON E. MCKINLEY. GRASS CUTTING IS BEING CONDUCTIED ALL OVER TOWN. THE NEW SEWER PLANT IS UP AND RUNNING.

MPC DIRECTOR, SAM MARSIGLIA, STATED THAT HE AND THE MAYOR WILL MET WITH ATTORNEY NEIL ERWIN ABOUT A FUTURE LAND USE PLAN. AND ALSO A STREET & TRANSPORTATION USE PLAN.

JEREMY HEBRON WITH MML&H STATED THAT THERE ARE CURRENTLY TWO ACTIVE PROJECTS. FOXSKIN BAYOU AND REHABILITATION ON WELL 4 WHICH THEY ARE WAITING ON A PERMIT FOR. THEY ARE MOVING FORWARD WITH PHASE TWO OF LEGACY POINTE.

MAYOR KIM GASPARD STATED TO THE COUNCIL AND AUDIENCE THAT ON MAY 15^{TH} , RESIDENTS OF LEGACY POINTE WILL EXPERIENCE A LOSS OF WATER DURING THE DAY TO FIX VALVES THROUGHOUT THE NEIGHBORHOOD. THESE RESIDENCE SHOULD HAVE BEEN GIVEN NOTICE BY THE CONTRACTORS AND BOTTLED WATER WILL BE PROVIDED.

HAUGHTON CITIZEN, STEVE GOWETSKI APPROACH THE COUNIL WITH SOME CONCERNS. HE STATED THAT THE WATER RETENTION PONDS WERE NOT DOING THEIR JOBS AND THAT WATER WAS INSTEAD FLOWING INTO HIS BACK YARD, RESULTING IN FLOODING AND WATER UP TO HIS HOME. HE STATED THAT HE HAS APPROACHED THE MAYOR ABOUT THIS ISSUE A FEW TIMES IN THE PAST. THE COUNCIL DIDN'T DISAGREE THAT THE PONDS AREN'T DOING THEIR JOB AND THEY ARE CURRENTLY WORKING ON A REOSOLUTION TO FIX THIS ISSUE.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS. THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.

MISTY PEE, TOWN CLERK

KIM GASPARD, MAYOR