## TOWN OF HAUGHTON COUNCIL MEETING

JUNE 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2023

THE COUNCIL MEETING WAS HELD AT THE HAUGHTON TOWN HALL ON TUESDAY, JUNE 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2023 AT 6:00 P.M.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE, CARLTON ANDERSON, COLBY ISOM, & PHILLIP SMITH

COUNCIL MEMBER BUCK MCGEE WAS ABSENT, AND COUNCIL MEMBER DOUG ADAMS RAN LATE TO THE MEETING DUE TO TRAFFIC.

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 COLBY ISOM AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS LED BY PHILLIP SMITH.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PHILLIP SMITH TO APPROVE THE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 2023. SECONDED BY CARLTON ANDERSON. THERE WERE NO COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE. MOTION CARRIED. AYES: 3 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 ABSTAIN:0

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PHILLIP SMITH TO ACCEPT THE FINANCIALS FROM APRIL 2023. SECONDED BY CARLTON ADNERSON. THERE WERE NO COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE. MOTION CARRIED. AYES: 3 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 ABSTAIN:0

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PHILLIP SMITH TO INTRODUCE THE FINANCIALS FOR MAY 2023. SECONDED BY CARLTON ANDERSON. THERE WERE NO COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE. MOTION CARRIED. AYES: 3 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 ABSTAIN: 0

VICKY CASE FROM COOK & MOREHART WAS PRESENT AND PRESENTED OUR 2022 AUDIT REPORT. VICKY WAS PLEASE TO REPORT THAT FOR THE SECOND YEAR IN A ROW, THERE WERE NO FINDINGS FOR THE TOWN OF HAUGHTON.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CARLTON ANDERSON TO ACCEPT THE 2022 AUDIT REPORT FROM COOK & MOREHART. SECONDED BY DOUG ADAMS. THERE WERE NO COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE. MOTION CARRIED. AYES: 4 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 0

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PHILLIP SMITH TO INTRODUCE ORDINANCE 2 OF 2023 – SURPLUSING OF 3 POLICE VEHICLES WITH A TAHOE BEING DONATED TO THE VILLAGE OF NATCHEZ. SECONDED BY DOUG ADAMS. ATTORNEY NEIL ERWIN ASKED HOW DID WE HEAR ABOUT NATCHEZ NEEDING A POLICE VEHICLE. MAYOR KIM GASPARD RESPONDED THROUGH CLIFF PALMER, THE DIRECTOR OF LAMATS. THERE WERE NO OTHER COMMENTS OR QUESITONS FROM THE AUDIENCE. MOTION CARRIED. AYES: 4 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 0

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PHILLIP SMITH TO INTRODUCE ORDINANCE 3 OF 2023 – SURPLUSING OF OUT OF DATE COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT THAT HAS BEEN IN STORAGE AT THE FIRESTATION. SECONDED BY DOUG ADAMS. THERE WERE NO COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE. MOTION CARRIED. AYES: 4 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 0

FIRE CHIEF JIMMY HOLLAND GAVE THE MONTHLY REPORT FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. HE STATED THAT THEY RESPONDED TO A STRUCTURE FIRE ON PRINCETON ROAD WITH MUTUAL AID WITH BPFD 1. THE HFD ATTENDED NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER AT FBCH. THEY ATTENDED SALUTE TO COMMUNITY HEROES IN BOSSIER CITY. THEY ALSO ATTENDED HES FIELD DAY. CHIEF STATED THAT ALL APPARATUS ARE IN SERVICE. SIDDONS-MARTIN HAS COMPLETED THE SERVICE SCHEDULE ON ALL APPARATUS. 2023 FLOW TESTING OF HYDRANTS IS COMPLETED. 2023 HOSE TESTING IS COMPLETE. WATER HEAT ON THE ADMINISTRATIVE SIDE OF STATION REPLACED. DAILY TRAINING CONTINUES FOR FULL-TIME PERSONNEL. FF LEON PASSED OFFICER II CERTIFICATION EXAM. FF DELESE IS NOW A LICENSED NREMT. CHIEF ATTANDED CFSI AS A MEMBER OF THE LOUISIANA FIRE DELEGATION.

POLICE CHIEF TODD GIBSON GAVE THE MONTHLY REPORT FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. HE STATED THAT 118 CITATIONS WERE WRITTEN AND THERE WERE 121 SERVICE CALLS. OFFICER CKENNEBS SEIZED 7 LBS OF METHAMPHETAMINE. THE HPD ARE RUNNING SHORT HANDED FOR JUNE, ONE OFFICER IS GONE FOR TWO WEEKS FOR MILITARY TRAINING, ONE IS DEPLOYED, ONE IS OUT WITH SURGERY AND TWO WILL BE HOME FOR A WEEK FOR A PRE-LANNED VACATION.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR JACKY HICKS WAS ABSENT. HIS MONTHLY REPORT STATED THAT THEY HAD 45 TURN OFFS. STORMS IN THE AREA CAUSED REGEN AT WELL 5 TO GO OUT. AT THE SEWER PLANT, THEY ARE KEEPING THE PLANT CLEAN AND CUT. WITH SCHOOLS BEING OUT, THE FLOW IS LOW COMING INTO THE PLANT. IN MAINTENANCE, THEY HAVE BEEN KEEPING GRASS CUT AT WELLS, LIFT STATION, THE PARK, AND THE PLANT.

MPC DIRECTOR, SAM MARSIGLIA, STATED THAT HE RECEIVED THE NEXT PLANS FOR LEGACY POINTE.

JEREMY HEBRON WITH MML&H STATED THAT THEY ARE MEETING WITH THE RESIDENTS OF WEST MCKINLEY THAT WERE AT THE PREVIOUS MEETING ABOUT DRAINAGE FROM LEGACY POINTE. HE STATED THAT A DITCH HAS BEEN DUG TO HELP WITH THE RUN OFF WATER.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.

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KIM GASPARD, MAYOR