

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF HAUGHTON
STATE OF LOUISIANA TAKEN AT THE REGULAR COUNCIL
MEETING**

March 12th, 2024

The Town Council of the Town of Haughton, State of Louisiana, met in regular session in council chambers, 118 W. McKinley Avenue, Haughton, Louisiana, March 12th, 2024 at 6:00 P.M.

Invocation was given by Council Member Buck McGee

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Colby Isom

Roll call as follows:

Present: Doug Adams, Carlton Anderson, Buck McGee, Colby Isom, and Phillip Smith. Also present: Mayor, Kim Gaspard, Town Attorney, Neil Erwin, MPC Director, Sam Marsiglia, Fire Chief, Jimmy Holland, Town Clerk, Misty Pee, and Deputy Clerk, Lane Brown.

By Mr. McGee

Motion to approve council minutes from the February 2024 regular meeting.

Seconded by Mr. Adams.

No Comment

Vote if favor of motion is unanimously approved.

Old Business

By Mr. Smith

Motion to accept the budgeted financial states from January 2024

Seconded by Mr. Anderson

No Comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimously approved.

By Mr. McGee

Motion to accept Ordinance 2 of 2024 – An ordinance that amends section 3, Subsection D) of the Employee Personnel handbook reflects the way that police and fire are paying their employees.

Seconded by Mr. Smith

No Comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimously approved

By Mr. Smith

Motion to accept Ordinance 3 of 2024 – an ordinance that amends section 1-7 of the general provisions code of the town of Haughton.

Seconded by Mr. McGee

No Comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimously approved.

New Business

The council was presented with the budgeted financials for February 2024 and will vote on them next month.

By Mr. McGee

Motion to accept Resolution 2 of 2024 – the Municipal Water Pollution Prevention.

Seconded by Mr. Anderson

No Comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimously approved.

By Mr. Adams

Motion to accept Resolution 3 of 2024 – A resolution authorizing the mayor to enter into a contract with the vender selected by the council for the new solid waste pickup and disposal contract.

Seconded by Mr. McGee

No Comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimously approved.

By Mr. Smith

Motion to accept Resolution 4 of 2024 – A resolution authorizing award of water system improvements – drilling of test well.

Seconded by Mr. Adams

No Comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimously approved.

By Mr. McGee

Motion to accept Resolution 5 of 2024 – a resolution giving the mayor authorization to contract with an appraisal firm for the Foxskin Bayou project rights of way.

Seconded by Mr. Smith

No Comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimously approved.

By Mr. Smith

Motion to accept the recommendation of MML&H to approve the infrastructure improvements plan on Unit 3 of Legacy Pointe subdivision.

Seconded by Mr. Adams

No Comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimously approved.

Department Reports

By Fire Chief Holland

The total number of responses for February 2024 was 79. On February 14th, they had a “Push-In” Ceremony for Rescue 1. On February 29th, he attended the ribbon cutting for Minden Medical Center. All apparatus are in service. Rescue 1 officially went into service on February 14th and Ladder 1’s onboard air compressor was replaced. Daily training continues for full-time personnel. The LMA Workshop with the Legislative Auditor’s Office was held on February 20th. The 2024 AFG Grant has been

submitted. They are requesting hoses, appliances, and radios. The total grant amount requested was \$124,670.92.

Police Chief Gibson was absent

Water Department Superintendent Jacky Hicks was absent

By MPC Director Sam Marsiglia

He plans to have a public hearing on the new cell tower going up. There has also been a request submitted to put up a new digital sign/billboard.

There being no further business to come before this council, Mayor Gaspard adjourned the meeting at 6:45 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted

Lane Brown

Deputy Clerk

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