TOWN OF GREENWOOD

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL SESSION

OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN

Tuesday, August 24, 2021 -6:00 PM

Present: Mayor Pro Temp Brad Edwardes, Alderman Robinson, Davis, Larsen, Police Chief Shayne Gibson, Town Clerk Veronica Brown members of the public.

Absent: Mayor Frank, Alderman Doughty and Town Attorney Jennifer McKay

There was a quorum

Mayor Pro Temp Edwardes called the meeting to order at 6:00 p m, he then led the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Staff Reports:

Town Clerk, Veronica Brown reported updates on the following projects 1) fencing at Town Hall 2) Stump removal behind Town Hall 3) Library renovations 4) Kimberly Rd. Water Plant

Police Chief, Shayne Gibson stated that there was one use of force incident in the month of July. 2) Officer Anderson will join Crime Stoppers 3) Announced National Night Out will be held on Tuesday, October 5th 4) Operation Santa is currently underway 4) the Radar Trailer with a license plate reader is in and ready for pick up 5) the Town of Greenwood received another LHSC ( Louisiana Highway Safety Commission) grant in the amount of $19,822 for DUI and Seatbelt 6) Received asset forfeiture money in the amount of $32,000 7) The Town of Greenwood will be co-hosting a seminar with the Truckers Against Human Trafficking on November 16th at the American Rose Center

Mr Ben Jarrett and Darl Holder, RG3 Meter Company, gave a presentation on a pilot program of 5 meters which were placed at the homes of the Board of Aldermen. They demonstrated the customer portal and showed how the proposed new meters would beneficial and cost effective to the town.

Approval of Agenda: There were no questions or concerns from the Board. A motion was made by Alderman Robinson seconded by Alderman Davis to Approve the Agenda. The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

Public Comments: NONE

Approval of Minutes:

Work Session Meeting – July 15, 2021 Cancelled

Public Hearing & Regular Session- July 19, 2021

There was no discussion or questions from the Board. A motion was made by Alderman Larsen seconded by Alderman Robinson to approve the minutes. The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

Approval of Financial Statements- July 2021 Financials

There was no discussion or questions from the Board. A motion was made by Alderman Robinson seconded by Alderman Larsen to approve the financials. The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

1. Ms Helen Mazier, President Lion’s Club to present future ideas/plans for the Town of Greenwood

Rescheduled until next meeting on September 16th at 6:00 pm

1. Resolution No. 9 of 2021

TITLE: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR PRO TEMPORE TO EXECUTE A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH CADDO PARISH ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN OF GREENWOOD FOR THE DONATION OF PROPERTIES TO THE CONSTABLE OF DISTRICT 12

Town Clerk, Veronica Brown read the Resolution by title and advised that the town would like to donate a vehicle which has been approved for surplus recently, bullet proof vest, taser and any other extra police equipment needed to help aid the Constable of District 12 in his job duties. After a brief discussion, A motion was made by Alderman Davis seconded by Alderman Larsen to approve the Resolution. The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

1. Resolution No. 10 of 2021

TITLE: A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND APPROVING THE LOUISIANA COMPLIANCE QUESTIONNAIRE AS REQUIRED BY THE LOUISIANA LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JULY 1, 2021 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022

Town Clerk, Veronica Brown read the Resolution by title and explained this is a requirement for our upcoming audit. A motion was made by Alderman Robinson seconded by Alderman Davis to approve the Resolution. There were no questions or concerns from the Board. The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

1. Surplus of Town vehicles to be disposed of :
	1. 2005 Ford Black CVC VIN #2FAFP71W85X149790
	2. 2003 Chev White PK VIN #1GCHC24UO3E160924
	3. 2002 Ford White F15 VIN #1FTRX17WX2KC01592
	4. 2006 Chev White PK VIN#1GCCS148968169408
	5. 1999 Ford White VN VIN#1FTPE24L3XHA70202
	6. 1997 Ford White PK VIN#1FTEF2761VNC95288
	7. 2004 Dodge White VIN#1D4HB38N24F142788
	8. 2000 Ford White PK VIN#1FTYR1OVOYPB33502
	9. 2001 Ford White PK VIN#1FTYR1OUX1PA73077
	10. 2007 Ford White PK VIN#1FTRX12W57NA68222
	11. 2008 Ford White PK VIN#1FTYR1OU78PA51080

Town Clerk, Veronica Brown explained that all of these cars will be sent to the Greater Shreveport Auto Auction for sale. A motion was made by Alderman Davis seconded by Alderman Larsen to approve the surplus of the above vehicles. There were no questions or concerns from the Board. The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

1. ORDINANCE No. 9 of 2021

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1 OF 2020 TO PROVIDE FOR INCREASES IN SEWER CHARGES BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2021, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

Town Clerk, Veronica Brown read the Ordinance by Title and explained that the Office of Community Development is now requiring a rate study performed prior to awarding LCDBG (Louisiana Community Development Block Grant) funding. LRWA (Louisiana Rural Water Association) was retained by the State to perform the Sewer Rate Study and it was determined that a 2% increase was necessary to meet the requirements of the Block Grant. There were no questions or concerns from the Board. A motion was made by Alderman Davis seconded by Alderman Robinson to approve to introduce and set the Ordinance for Public Hearing on Monday, September 20th. The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

1. Resolution No. 11 of 2021

TITLE: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR PRO TEMPORE TO EXECUTE A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN OF GREENWOOD WITH THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY AND THE STATE OF LOUISIANA TO RECEIVE FUNDING FOR THE VETERANS MEMORIAL WALL

Town Clerk, Veronica Brown read the Resolution by title and explained that the State appropriated $50,000 in the budget to aid in the construction of the proposed Veterans Memorial Wall to be located in the town park. A motion was made by Alderman Larsen seconded by Alderman Robinson to approve the Resolution. There were no questions or concerns from the Board. The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

1. Resolution No. 12 of 2021

TITLE: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR PRO TEMPORE TO EXECUTE A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN OF GREENWOOD WITH THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY AND THE STATE OF LOUISIANA TO RECEIVE FUNDING FOR THE INDUSTRIAL PARK VENUE

Town Clerk, Veronica Brown read the Resolution by title and explained that the State appropriated $100,000 in the budget to aid in the construction of the proposed Venue to be located out by Boot hill Speedway. A motion was made by Alderman Robinson seconded by Alderman Davis to approve the Resolution. There were no questions or concerns from the Board. The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

1. Discussion of the 2021 Pioneer Heritage Day Festival which is proposed to be held on September 18th & 19th

 After a lengthy discussion from the Board, it was determined to postpone the Pioneer Festival until further notice.

  **Public Comments:**

1. Alderman Larsen requested an inspection of the dumpster on Elmers Circle
2. Alderman Edwardes gave updates on the following areas 1) recent water issues with low pressure 2) Mayor Frank medical condition 3) Employees performance 4) Signs to be placed around town to combat littering in the town and town park 5) Rodeo

**Adjourn**

There being no further business, a motion was made by Alderman Davis and seconded by Alderman Larsen the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm. Next meeting to be held on Thursday, September 16, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m. for the Work Session of the Board of Aldermen and Monday, September 20, 2021 at 6:00 pm Public Hearing & Regular Session Meeting of the Board of Alderman. All meetings held in the Town Hall Chambers.

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s/s Veronica Brown, Town Clerk s/s Brad Edwardes, Mayor Pro Temp

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF CADDO

I, THE UNDERSIGNED Town Clerk of the Town of Greenwood, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the minutes of the Special Session of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Greenwood for August 24, 2021

This the 24th day of August, 2021

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 s/s Veronica Brown, Town Clerk