

TOWN OF GREENWOOD
MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR SESSION
OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN
Monday, August 17, 2020 -6:00 PM

Present: Mayor Frank, Alderman Robinson, Davis, Doughty, Edwardes, Larsen, Town Clerk Veronica Brown, Police Chief Shayne Gibson and members of the public.

Absent: Town Attorney Charles Grubb

There was a quorum

Mayor Frank called the meeting to order at 6:00 p m, Alderman Larsen then led the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Convene in Public Hearing: A motion was made by Alderman Edwardes, seconded by Alderman Larsen to convene into a Public Hearing. The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

The meeting was then convened into Public Hearing:

PUBLIC HEARING: The purpose of the public hearing is for the adoption of the following Ordinances, the title of which are hereinafter set forth, to wit:

Ordinance No. 6 of 2020

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE TO APPOINT AND SET THE SALARY OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE OF THE TOWN OF GREENWOOD EFFECTIVE AUGUST 17, 2020.

Town Clerk, Veronica Brown read the Ordinance by title and there were no questions or concerns from the Board

Public Comments: NONE

Ordinance No. 7 of 2020

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE TO APPOINT AND SET THE SALARY OF THE TOWN CLERK OF THE TOWN OF GREENWOOD EFFECTIVE AUGUST 17, 2020.

Town Clerk, Veronica Brown read the Ordinance by title and there were no questions or concerns from the Board

Public Comments: NONE

Adjourn to Regular Session Meeting: A motion was made by Alderman Larsen, seconded by Alderman Robinson to adjourn into the Regular Session. The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

Approval of the Agenda: A motion was made by Alderman Edwardes, seconded by Alderman Robinson to the Agenda. The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

Public Comments on Agenda Items: NONE

Approval of Minutes:

Work Session Meeting –July 16, 2020

There were no questions or discussion 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.

Regular Session Meeting- July 20, 2020

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

Approval of Financial Statements- July 2020 Financials

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

1. Ordinance No. 6 of 2020

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE TO APPOINT AND SET THE SALARY OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE OF THE TOWN OF GREENWOOD EFFECTIVE AUGUST 17, 2020.

Town Clerk, Veronica Brown, read the Ordinance by title and Mayor Frank called for discussion and vote. Alderman Robinson gave several positive remarks in regards to Chief Gibson and his positive attitude. There were no questions or concerns.

WHEREAS, Shayne Gibson is currently serving as the Police Chief for the Town of Greenwood Police Department and has served over twenty(20) years for the Town and fully understands the duties.

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Greenwood, Parish of Caddo, State of Louisiana have reviewed the 2020-2021 Budget;

THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Greenwood that the salary of the Chief of Police of the Town of Greenwood shall be \$61,586.27 per year (salary exempt) with all other benefits as afforded all employees of the Town of Greenwood by Ordinance No. 11 of 2004, amended by Ordinance No. 2 of 2005, effective July 1, 2006 and amended by Ordinance No. 7 of 2017 and revised by Ordinance No 2 of 2018.

Furthermore, it is approved that the Chief of Police be allowed to participate in the Louisiana Highway Safety Commission Grant Program and the Town be reimbursed as such from the State of Louisiana.

First Reading: July 20, 2020- Introduced and read by title and approved as read and set for Public Hearing on August 17, 2020 on motion by Alderman Robinson, seconded by Alderman Larsen.

Second Reading: August 17, 2020 - Having been approved on the first reading on July 20, 2020, and after publication of notice and a public hearing, was read by title, with motion to approve as read by Alderman Robinson, seconded by Alderman Larsen

YEAS: (4) Robinson, Davis, Doughty, Larsen

NAYS: (1) Edwardes

ABSENT: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

THUS DONE, ORDAINED AND ESTABLISHED by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Greenwood, Louisiana, at a meeting of said public body, duly held and conducted on August 17, 2020 in the Municipal Complex for the Town of Greenwood.

2. Ordinance No. 7 of 2020

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE TO APPOINT AND SET THE SALARY OF THE TOWN CLERK OF THE TOWN OF GREENWOOD EFFECTIVE AUGUST 17, 2020.

Town Clerk, Veronica Brown, read the Ordinance by title and Mayor Frank called for discussion and vote. There were no questions or concerns from the Board

Whereas, Veronica Brown is currently serving as the Town Clerk and Tax Collector for the Town of Greenwood and has demonstrated over the past 11 years, from her initial appointment, that she is capable of handling the required duties of such position.

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Greenwood, Parish of Caddo, State of Louisiana have reviewed the 2020-2021 Budget;

THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Greenwood that the salary of the Town Clerk of the Town of Greenwood shall be \$54,246.96 per year with all benefits as afforded all employees of the Town of Greenwood by Ordinance No. 11 of 2004 and amended by Ordinance No. 2 of 2005, effective July 1, 2006 and amended Ordinance No 7 of 17 and revised by Ordinance No 2 of 2018

First Reading: July 20, 2020- Introduced and read by title and approved as read and set for Public Hearing on July 20, 2020 on motion by Alderman Edwardes, seconded by Alderman Robinson.

Second Reading: August 17, 2020 - Having been approved on the first reading on July 20, 2020 and after publication of notice and a public hearing, was read by title, with motion to approve as read by Alderman Larsen, seconded by Alderman Edwardes

YEAS: (5) Robinson, Davis, Doughty, Edwardes, Larsen

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

THUS DONE, ORDAINED AND ESTABLISHED by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Greenwood, Louisiana, at a meeting of said public body, duly held and conducted on August 17, 2020 in the Municipal Complex for the Town of Greenwood.

3. Resolution No. 7 of 2020

TITLE: A RESOLUTION TO SELECT THE OFFICIAL JOURNAL FOR THE 2020/2021 FISCAL YEAR

Town Clerk, Veronica Brown, read the Resolution by title and advised that Mayor Frank was recommending to select the Focus SB-Inquistor as the Official Journal. Alderman Edwardes inquired if there was a way, free of charge, to view the Minutes. Town Clerk, Veronica Brown replied accordingly. There were no further questions or discussion from the Board. A motion was made by Alderman Robinson, seconded by Alderman Edwardes to approve the Resolution. The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

4. Ordinance No. 8 of 2020

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE MILLAGE RATE FOR THE TAX YEAR 2020 FOR AD VALOREM TAX TO BE USED FOR GENERAL OPERATING PURPOSES (To introduce and set for Public Hearing on Monday, September 21st)

Town Clerk, Veronica Brown, read the Ordinance by title and explained the Millage Rate would remain the same at 9.95 mills. There were no questions or discussion from the Board. A motion was made by Alderman Edwardes, seconded by Alderman Larsen to approve the Ordinance to be introduced and set for Public Hearing. The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

5. Approval to proceed with the contract and Ordinance needed to implement the Photo Speed Enforcement Program offered by Blue Line Solutions

Alderman Robinson advised the Board that is additional information was needed that there is a website with additional information. There were no questions or discussion from the Board. A motion was made by Alderman Robinson, seconded by Alderman Edwardes to move forward with the required contract and Ordinance for Blue Line Solutions Photo Speed Enforcement Program. The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

Public Comments: Mayor Frank introduced Mr. Parker Ward, Candidate for Constable of Ward 5, the election is to be held in November

Adjourn

There being no further business, a motion was made by Alderman Larsen and seconded by Alderman Robinson the meeting was adjourned at 6:17 pm. Next meeting to be held on Thursday, September 17, 2020 @ 6:00 p.m. for the Work Session of the Board of Aldermen and Monday, September 21, 2020 at 6:00 pm Public Hearing and Regular Session Meeting of the Board of Alderman. All meetings held in the Town Hall Chambers.

s/s Veronica Brown, Town Clerk

s/s Frank Stawasz, Mayor

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 Work Session of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Greenwood for August 17, 2020.

This the 27th day of August, 2020

s/s Veronica Brown, Town Clerk