

TOWN OF GREENWOOD
MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR SESSION
OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN
Monday, May 17, 2021 -6:00 PM

Present: Mayor Pro Temp Brad Edwardes, Aldermen Robinson, Doughty, Davis, Larsen, Town Attorney Charles Grubb, Police Chief Shayne Gibson, Town Clerk Veronica Brown and members of the public.

Absent: None

There was a quorum

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

Convene in Public Hearing: A motion was made by Alderman Doughty, seconded by Alderman Davis 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 Ordinance (s), the title of which are hereinafter set forth, to wit;

Ordinance No. 2 of 2021

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE EXCHANGE OF SALE OF THE TOWN'S INTERESTS, LESS AND EXCEPT MINERAL INTERESTS, IN LOT F, BLOCK J, EXPRESSWAY SUBDIVISION, A SUBDIVISION OF CADDO PARISH RECORDED AS INSTRUMENT NUMBER 291839 IN BOOK 900, PAGE 567 OF THE RECORDS OF CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA, FOR THE INTERESTS OF TALITHA MONROE AND RAQUITTA JAMISON IN LOT 89, GOLDEN MEADOWS SUBDIVISION, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

Public Comments: NONE

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

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

Public Comments on Agenda Items: There were none

Approval of Minutes: Work Session Meeting –April 15, 2021

A motion was made by Alderman Robinson, seconded by Alderman Larsen to approve the minutes. The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

Regular Session Meeting- April 19, 2021

A motion was made by Alderman Larsen, seconded by Alderman Robinson to approve the minutes. The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

Public Hearing & Special Session- May 3, 2021

A motion was made by Alderman Davis, seconded by Alderman Doughty to approve the minutes. The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

Approval of Financial Statements- May 2021 Financials

A motion was made by Alderman Doughty, seconded by Alderman Robinson to approve the minutes. The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

1. Ordinance No. 3 of 2021

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE TOWN OF GREENWOOD, BY REZONING PROPERTY IN THE VICINITY OF 7300 BLOCK OF HWY 169 SOUTH, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT "A" TO THE ORDINANCE, FROM R-A, RESIDENCE/AGRICULTURE DISTRICT TO B-3, BUSINESS DISTRICT; AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO (Final passage)

Town Clerk, Veronica Brown read the Ordinance by title and explained this was for final approval. There was discussion from the Board pros and cons on the business. After a discussion, A motion was made by Alderman Doughty to approve the rezoning, seconded Alderman Davis. The motion failed by the following roll call vote:

Yeas: Edwardes

Nays: Robinson, Davis, Doughty, Larsen

Absent: (0)

Abstain: (0)

2. Ordinance No. 5 of 2021

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF GREENWOOD, PARISH OF CADDO, STATE OF LOUISIANA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2021 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2022.

Town Clerk, Veronica Brown read the Ordinance by Title and went over each departments revenues and expenses. She also advised that this motion would be to introduce and set for Public Hearing on June 22nd. There was no discussion from the Board. A motion was made to approve by Alderman Doughty, seconded by Alderman Robinson. The motion was carried by a unanimous voice vote.

3. Ordinance No. 6 of 2021

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE MILLAGE RATE FOR THE TAX YEAR 2021 FOR AD VALOREM TAX TO BE USED FOR GENERAL OPERATING PURPOSES.

Town Clerk, Veronica Brown read the Ordinance by Title and that the millage rate would remain the same at 9.95 mills and that this motion would be to introduce and set for Public Hearing on June 22nd. There was no discussion from the Board. A motion was made to approve by Alderman Doughty, seconded by Alderman Larsen. The motion was carried by a unanimous voice vote.

4. Approval for the Regular Session Meeting which is scheduled for Monday, June 21st to be rescheduled to Tuesday, June 22nd, due to a LMA District "A" Meeting to be held on June 21st in Springhill, LA.

Town Clerk, Veronica Brown advised that the Town Governing Officials had a LMA District Meeting on the same day as the Regular session and asked to move it to the following Tuesday in order for the Aldermen to attend this very informative meeting. There was no discussion from the Board. A motion was made to approve by Alderman Doughty, seconded by Alderman Larsen. The motion was carried by a unanimous voice vote.

5. Ordinance No. 2 of 2021

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE EXCHANGE OF SALE OF THE TOWN'S INTERESTS, LESS AND EXCEPT MINERAL INTERESTS, IN LOT F, BLOCK J, EXPRESSWAY SUBDIVISION, A SUBDIVISION OF CADDO PARISH RECORDED AS INSTRUMENT NUMBER 291839 IN BOOK 900, PAGE 567 OF THE RECORDS OF CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA, FOR THE INTERESTS OF TALITHA MONROE AND RAQUITTA JAMISON IN LOT 89, GOLDEN MEADOWS SUBDIVISION, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, in October 2020 the Town of Greenwood mistakenly and through error issued a permit to Talitha Monroe and Raquitta Jamison for the placement of a mobile home on Lot 89, Golden Meadows Subdivision, when the zoning classification of the said property did not permit the placement of a mobile home thereon. By the time Town personnel discovered the error Talitha Monroe and Raquitta Jamison, in reliance on the issuance of the above described permit, purchased the property. When Town personnel discovered the error, after the purchase

of the property by Talitha Monroe and Raquitta Jamison, Town personnel rescinded the aforesaid permit; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Greenwood is the owner of Lot F, Block J, Expressway Subdivision, a subdivision of Caddo Parish recorded as Instrument Number 291839 in Book 900, Page 567 of the records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, Expressway Acres Subdivision, having acquired title thereto when the property was purchased for the Town to construct a sewer treatment facility. Said property is properly zoned for the placement and maintenance of a mobile home thereon; and

WHEREAS, the above-described properties are approximately equal in value; and

WHEREAS, Talitha Monroe and Raquitta Jamison have proposed that they and the Town of Greenwood exchange their interests in the properties described above and permit them to locate their mobile home on Lot F, Block J, Expressway Subdivision, a subdivision of Caddo Parish recorded as Instrument Number 291839 in Book 900, Page 567 of the records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Lot F, Block J, Expressway Subdivision, a subdivision of Caddo Parish recorded as Instrument Number 291839 in Book 900, Page 567 of the records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, is surplus property for which the Town has no public use.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Greenwood, Louisiana, in due, regular and legal session convened, that it does authorize the Mayor of the Town of Greenwood necessary to execute all documents on behalf of the Town and approved as to legal form by the Town Attorney to exchange the interests of Talitha Monroe and Raquitta Jamison in Lot 89, Golden Meadows Subdivision, for the interests of the Town in Lot F, Block J, Expressway Subdivision, a subdivision of Caddo Parish recorded as Instrument Number 291839 in Book 900, Page 567 of the records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any provision, item or application of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon approval.

First Reading: May 3, 2021 – Introduced, read by title, approved as read and set for Public Hearing on May 17, 2021 on motion by Alderman Edwardes and seconded by Alderman Robinson.

Second Reading: May 17, 2021 – Having been approved on the first reading on May 3, 2021, and after publication of notice and a public hearing, was read by title and approved as read on motion by Alderman Davis, seconded by Alderman Doughty and approved by the following roll call vote:

YEAS: (5) Edwardes, Robinson, Davis, Doughty, Larsen
NAYS: (0)
ABSENT: (0)
ABSTAIN: (0)

THUS DONE, ORDAINED AND ESTABLISHED by the Board of Alderman of the Town of Greenwood, Louisiana at a meeting of said public body duly held and conducted on May 17, 2021 in the Municipal Complex for the Town of Greenwood.

Veronica Brown, Town Clerk

Public Comments:

Alderman Edwardes inquired on the information line that was discussed during the recent snow event. Town Clerk Veronica Brown advised that the number would be available on the website shortly.

Alderman Robinson inquired on the purchase of a digital sign by the town, Town Clerk Veronica Brown responded accordingly

Adjourn

There being no further business, a motion was made by Alderman Doughty and seconded by Alderman Robinson the meeting was adjourned at 7:37 pm. Next meeting to be held on Thursday, June 17, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m. for the Work Session of the Board of Aldermen and Tuesday, June 22, 2021 at 6:00 pm Public Hearing & Regular Session Meeting of the Board of Alderman. All meetings held in the Town Hall Chambers.

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 Work Session of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Greenwood for May 17, 2021.

This the 4th day of June, 2021

s/s Veronica Brown, Town Clerk