

TOWN OF GREENWOOD  
MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR SESSION  
OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
Tuesday, December 26, 2023 -6:10 PM

Present: Mayor Brad Edwardes, Alderman Davis, Turk, Larsen, Town Clerk Veronica Brown and members of the public.

Absent: Aldermen Doughty, Robinson, Town Attorney Jennifer McKay, Police Chief Shayne Gibson

There was a quorum

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

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

**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;**

Town Clerk, Veronica Brown read the title of the Ordinance

ORDINANCE No. 12 of 2023

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE SCHEDULE FOR 2024 WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF GREENWOOD

**Public Comments: None**

Adjourn to Regular Session: A motion was made by Alderman Larsen, seconded by Alderman Davis to adjourn to the regular session and the motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made by Alderman Davis, seconded by Alderman Turk to approve the Agenda, the motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

Approval of Minutes:

Work Session Meeting –November 28, 2023

A motion was made by Alderman Davis, seconded by Alderman Larsen to approve the Minutes, the motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

Approval of Expense/Revenue- November, 2023

A motion was made by Alderman Davis, to table the financials, the motion failed and will be placed on next month Agenda.

1. ORDINANCE No. 12 of 2023

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE SCHEDULE FOR 2024 WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF GREENWOOD

Town Clerk, Veronica Brown read the Ordinance by title and stated this reading was for final passage.

There were no public comments. A motion was made by Alderman Davis, seconded by Alderman Larsen To approve the Schedule

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Greenwood that the Regular Meetings for the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Greenwood shall be held on the fourth Tuesday of each month (WITH THE EXCEPTION BEING THE MONTH OF DECEMBER AND THE MEETING WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, THE 23RD), and a Work Session shall be held on the Thursday preceding the Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen. All such meetings shall be held at 6:00 PM at the Greenwood Town Hall, located at 9381 Greenwood Rd, Greenwood LA

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen, Town of Greenwood, in due, legal and regular meeting convened that;

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all Ordinances or Resolutions or parts thereof in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall be in immediate effect

First Reading: Tuesday, November 28, 2023- Introduced and read by title and approved as read and set for Public Hearing on December 26, 2023 on motion by Alderman Davis, seconded by Alderman Larsen.

Second Reading: December 26, 2023 - Having been approved on the first reading on November 28, 2023 and after publication of notice and a public hearing, was read by title, with motion to approve as read by Alderman Davis, seconded by Alderman Larsen.

YEAS: (3) Davis, Turk, Larsen  
NAYS: (0)  
ABSENT: (2) Robinson, Doughty  
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 December 26, 2023 in the Municipal Complex for the Town of Greenwood.

2. RESOLUTION NO. 6 OF 2023

TITLE: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO COMPLETE AND SUBMIT APPLICATION FOR A GRANT OF FUNDS FROM THE STATE OF LOUISIANA—OFFICE OF TOURISM (LOT) COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAM FOR A JOINT VENTURE WITH RPM PROMOTIONS AND BOOTHILL SPEEDWAY ( No action was taken in the November meeting)  
Town Clerk, Veronica Brown read the Resolution by title and the Mayor called for discussion and or questions. A motion was made by alderman Davis to deny the Resolution, seconded by Alderman Larsen and the motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

**Public Comments:** M. Dickerson, B. Driggers, and S. Clemmons- Greenwood Residents spoke against Resolution No. 6

3. ORDINANCE No. 13 of 2023

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE, GRANTING UNTO SOUTHWESTERN ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY, THE RIGHT, PRIVILEGE AND FRANCHISE TO ACQUIRE, CONSTRUCT, ERECT, MAINTAIN, REPAIR, RECONSTRUCT, REMOVE AND OPERATE A SYSTEM OF ELECTRIC POWER LINES, WIRES, TRANSFORMERS, COMMUNICATION CABLES AND OTHER RELATED AND NECESSARY OR DESIRABLE APPURTENANCES IN, UNDER, OVER, ACROSS, THROUGH AND ALONG ANY AND ALL OF THE PRESENT AND FUTURE STREETS, AVENUES, ALLEYS, THOROUGHFARES, ROADS, HIGHWAYS, SIDEWALKS, BRIDGES AND PUBLIC GROUNDS AND PUBLIC PLACES OF THE TOWN OF GREENWOOD, LOUISIANA, FOR THE PURPOSE OF TRANSMITTING AND DISTRIBUTING ELECTRIC POWER TO THE TOWN AND ITS INHABITANTS AND ANY OTHER PERSON OR PERSONS, FIRMS AND CORPORATIONS FOR TWENTY-FIVE YEARS; REGULATING THE USE OF STREETS BY THE COMPANY AND REPAIR AND RESTORATION OF THE STREETS DISTURBED BY CONSTRUCTION; PROVIDING FOR COMPENSATION TO BE PAID TO THE TOWN; PROVIDING THAT THIS FRANCHISE SHALL NOT BE EXCLUSIVE; PROVIDING THE COMPANY'S OBLIGATIONS TO FURNISH EFFICIENT SERVICE; PROVIDING FOR INDEMNITY BY THE COMPANY TO THE TOWN; PROVIDING FOR CONDITIONAL FORFEITURE IN EVENT OF DEFAULT BY THE COMPANY;

MAKING MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS RELATIVE TO THIS GRANT OF FRANCHISE; PROVIDING FOR ACCEPTANCE BY COMPANY; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. ( To Introduce and Set for Public Hearing on January 23, 2024)

Town Clerk, Veronica Brown read the Ordinance by title and Mayor Edwardes called for discussion/questions. Alderman Davis requested that a AEP/SWEPCO representative be present at the next meeting. A motion was made by Alderman Davis, seconded by Alderman Turk to approve to introduce and set for Public Hearing on January 23, 2024. The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

### **Adjourn**

There being no further business, a motion was made by Alderman Davis and seconded by Alderman Turk the meeting was adjourned at 6:32 pm. Next meeting to be held on Thursday, January 18, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m. for the Work Session of the Board of Aldermen and Tuesday, January 23, 2023 at 6:00 pm Regular Session Meeting of the Board of Alderman. All meetings held in the Town Hall Chambers.

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s/s Veronica Brown LCMC, Town Clerk

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s/s Brad Edwardes, 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 December 26, 2023

This the 11<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2024

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s/s Veronica Brown LCMC, Town Clerk