

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN TAKEN AT A
REGULAR TOWN MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 16, 2022, AT 6:00 P.M. AT THE
ARNAUDVILLE MEETING ROOM, 107 RUE DE JAUSIERS, ARNAUDVILLE, LA
70512**

Present—Mayor Todd Meche

Aldermen—Jamie Huval, Debbie Kidder, Kevin Robin, Cynthia Stelly, Suzanne Stelly

Town Clerk—Dolores R. Quebedeaux

Town Attorney—Kay Theunissen

Town Engineer—Kenny Boagni (Absent)

Police Chief—Eddy LeCompte (Absent)

Utility Superintendent—Todd Abshire (Absent)

Parks and Recreation—Zelma Jackson (Absent)

Called to Order—Mayor Meche

Prayer—Suzanne Stelly

Pledge—All

Accept July 19, 2022, Regular Town Meeting Minutes—Mayor Meche

Jamie Huval moved to accept the July 19, 2022, minutes seconded by Debbie Kidder, motion passed.

Accept July 2022 Expenses—Mayor Meche

No Expense report due to audit.

Utility Report—Mayor Meche

All is going well with the utility department. The bar chain was received but has not been installed.

Police Report—Chief Eddy LeCompte

The police chief's report was read per Toby Legrand.

We are happy to inform you that presently we are still at capacity with the police officers. We are still accepting applications with the hope of getting qualified candidates and having them on file, in case we lose officers in the future.

We currently have Five (5) patrol officers on the roster. We now have two officers, Officer Blanchard working the night shift with Sergeant Legrand working nights Wednesday and Thursday to give Officer Blanchard time off. We now have one officer, Officer Deville working day shifts and Sergeant Legrand working Monday and Tuesday to give Officer Deville time off.

The St. Martin Parish Sheriff's Office Police Academy starts on August 8, 2022, and ends November 17, 2022. We have two officers, Officer Blake Aleman and Jacoby Briscoe attending and have so far completed one week of schooling.

We will also utilize the town officers in the academy to help on some weekends as needed not to hinder their study and classes.

Statistics from our department for June 2022 were: 1 arrest, 8 citations, 16 FIC's, 22 MIC's, 1 accident, 1 assist call and 70 calls of service.

Me and Sargent Legrand have been looking at the budget and may have to move some things around due to computer updates, repairs and some replacement to some of our computer equipment. We will associate any changes to our budget with the Mayor and Council.

Parks and Recreation—Zelma Jackson (Absent)

Volleyball registration starts this week. Had to cancel the Alumni game due to the weather.

Beau Chene Softball Sept. 23 & 24. 2022 (\$250.00 deposit and \$500.00 park rental, produce a certificate of liability, weather permitting)—Mayor

Jamie Huval motioned to allow Beau Chene Softball Sept. 23 & 24, 2022 seconded by Cynthia Stelly, motion passed.

Adopt Resolution 5-22 Compliance Questionnaire—Mayor

Jamie Huval and Kevin Robin motioned to accept Resolution 5-22 Compliance Questionnaire seconded by Debbie Kidder

Roll Call: Kevin Robin, yea, Cynthia Stelly, yea, Jamie Huval, yea, Debbie Kidder, yea, Suzanne Stelly, yea, motion passed.

Up-Dates—Mayor

Mayor Meche stated that he met with Burton Kolder (CPA) it was suggested to make adjustment for the utility rates for gas, water and sewer.

Jamie Huval introduced the Ordinance and scheduled a Public Hearing for September 13, 2022, at 5:30 P.M. seconded by Kevin Robin, motion passed.

Mayor Meche also stated that the information for occupation licenses will be available on the Arnaudville website which is www.arnaudvillela.com please utilize.

Citizens' Concerns—Mayor

There were several concerns about the drug activity in the vicinity on Swamp Street. There was a home invasion a few weeks ago in that area. Individuals would like to see more police patrol in the area.

Adjourn

Jamie Huval motioned to adjourn the meeting seconded by Debbie Kidder, motion passed.

Attest:

Dolores R. Quebedeaux, Town Clerk

Todd Meche, Mayor