

**TOWN OF ROSEPINE - MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 8, 2012 - 7:00 P.M.**

Item #1 Mayor Duvall called the meeting to order.

Item #2 Invocation was given by Mayor Duvall.

Item #3 The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Item #4 Officials Present: Mayor Donna Duvall, Aldermen Dennis Craft, Judy Green, Jeff Solinsky, Billy Owens, Jimmy Cryer, Town Clerk Melissa Davis, Chief of Police Dennis Parrott and Town Attorney Dennis Sumpter.

Employees Present: Jay Delafield and Sydney James.

Guests present: Sabrina Salling, Valarie Craft, Angela Hauser, Johnny Davis, and Don Davis.

Item #5 Alderman Craft made a motion to accept the minutes from the October 11, 2012 meeting. Seconded by Alderwoman Green. All I's.

Item #6 Mayor Duvall requested that accepting the financial reports be moved to later in the meeting when the CPA was present. Alderwoman Green made a motion to move it to later in the meeting. Seconded by Alderman Craft. All I's.

Item #7 Mayor Duvall welcomed everyone in attendance. Mayor Duvall then updated the board concerning the generator project, clarifier gearbox at the wastewater plant, and the well on Yankee Ridge Road. She informed them that Mike Dowty, with the Department of Health and Hospitals, came and did a sanitary survey on the wastewater treatment plant and found several things he was concerned about and will be sending a report to us soon.

Attorney Dennis Sumpter informed the board that he had got with the Louisiana State University legal department concerning the road to the recreational ballpark and they are presently hunting down a lease agreement that they have done in the past to use as an example and they are supposed to be getting back with him.

A discussion was held concerning the Vernon Parish Police Jury building the road to the recreational ballpark and the town annexing into the corporate limits the land where the recreational ball park will be located. Mayor Duvall stated that we would get started on the annexation.

The town attorney also stated that he hoped by the next meeting to be able have available the code of ordinances for the board to introduce for adoption.

Item #6 Randy Brown, CPA, was now present and Mayor Duvall then moved to the item

of accepting the financial reports. Mr. Brown explained the reports presented to the board concerning the segregation of the new revenue from the rate increases. Alderman Solinsky made a motion that was seconded by Alderman Craft to accept the financial reports as presented. All I's.

Item #8 Mayor Duvall informed the board that the Vernon Parish Police Jury and a crew of trustees sent from the Vernon Parish Sheriff's office had done a lot of work in the town recently. She also stated that she had been contacted by some of the military from Ft. Polk and they had offered assistance if needed. Alderman Craft then made a motion that was seconded by Alderman Owens to adopt the Vernon Parish Police Jury Resolution for the month of December 2012. All I's.

Item #9 "Update on the sewer plant project" was discussed during "Mayor's comments".

Item #10 Mayor Duvall informed the board that there are some excess monies left over from the generator project that can be used elsewhere concerning the project.

Item #11 Mayor Duvall stated that Tammy Broussard, with Meyer & Associates, was waiting on a support letter from Senator Smith. A discussion was held concerning if the engineers had come up with a cheaper alternative for the replacement of the asbestos water lines. Mayor Duvall stated that she would get with the engineer.

Item #13 A lengthy discussion was held concerning the meter deposits and various fees for water and wastewater services. Sydney James, Utility Clerk, explained some reasons that she felt the town was losing money. The board was presented with a sample policy as a guideline. The board ultimately decided to change the deposit for renters to one hundred dollars and keep the residential owners deposit at seventy five dollars, change the afterhours fee from twenty-five dollars to fifty dollars, change the cleaning fee of twenty five dollars to state that as long as the usage stays under two thousand gallons. The policy would be amended and presented at the next regular meeting.

Item #13 Jay Delafield, Bonding Attorney, for the town explained the confusion of the interest rate after the last meeting. He further explained the process that he uses in computing the interest rates for the resolution the board needed to adopt if they wanted to move forward with getting approval from the Louisiana State Bond Commission to issue revenue refunding bonds for the upgrading of the wastewater plant. Alderman Solinsky made a motion to revisit the motion that he made last month changing the stipulation from not exceeding 3.75% to not exceeding 5% and adopt the resolution presented to the board by Jay Delafield authorizing the town of Rosepine, Vernon parish, Louisiana, to proceed with (i) issuance of not exceeding \$500,000 principal amount of revenue refunding bonds, series 2012a, for the purpose of currently refunding the issuer's outstanding utility revenue bonds dated November 1, 1995; and (ii) development of a project for acquisition and establishment of additions to and improvements of the waterworks and sewer systems within and for the issuer, involving issuance of not exceeding \$550,000 revenue bonds, series 2012b; authorizing application to the Louisiana State Bond Commission in connection therewith. Seconded by Alderman Owens. All I's.

Item #14 There being no further business the meeting was adjourned. No objections.

Melissa A. Davis, Town Clerk

Donna W. Duvall, Mayor