

TOWN OF WASHINGTON
PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Washington Town Hall
405 N. Washington St. Washington, LA

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
Monday September 19, 2022, at 6 pm

Mayor William Dwight Landreneau called the regular council meeting to order.

Attendance: Tanya Doucet, Wilbert Ledet, Rogers Malveaux, Beau Wilson, and Mona Wilson

Absences: none

Town Clerk and Mayor Landreneau introduced Ariana Stevens as the Town's student worker.

A quorum was established. Prayer and Pledge was recited.

A motion was made to add a proclamation by the Town of Washington to recognize the French language and culture by Tanya Doucet; motion was seconded by Wilbert Ledet no discussion and the motion carried.

A motion was made to accept and approve the minutes of the regular Council Meeting held August 15, 2022, by Mona Wilson; motion was seconded by Rogers Malveaux no discussion and the motion carried.

Mayor Landreneau welcomes Calvin Leger with Bayou Vermilion District. Town Clerk read proclamation in English. Calvin Leger read the proclamation in French. A motion was made to adopt the resolution making September 19, 2022 the French language and heritage day in Washington, Louisiana by Beau Wilson; seconded by Rogers Malveaux motion carried.

Public comments by Vickie Thibodeaux: As of September 7, 2022 notified Steamboat City Association that she is no longer the chairwoman of the Washington Community Festival. As of September 8th 2022 Vickie Thibodeaux relinquished her position on the board of the Washington Cemetery Foundation.

Council agreed to further look into dates for Trick or Treating. A decision will be made by email.

Norma Mahmoud presented to the council that she is working on bringing a ghost tour to share the history of the Town. She welcomed any ideas and recommendations.

Mayor Landreneau introduced Ordinance 4 of 2022 Establishing Slow Moving Vehicle (SMV) Regulations allowing licensed drivers to operate slow moving vehicles on city streets in the town.

Resolution 19 of 2022 Authorizing Cemetery Fee Changes was presented. A motion was made to accept the resolution by Beau Wilson; seconded by Rogers Malveaux. No discussion and the motion carried.

Resolution 20 of 2022 Authorizing Rental Property Fee Changes was presented. A motion was made to accept the resolution by Tanya Doucet; seconded by Rogers Malveaux. Beau Wilson abstained, no discussion, and the motion carried.

Mayor Landreneau provided the following update and comments. Mayor Landreneau thanked Vickie Thibodeaux for her hard work and service to the town. Mayor shared that when meeting with Governor Edwards, he recognized the progress the Town has made over the last couple years.

Rogers Malveaux gave a brief update on Joubert Park. The town will be renovating the pavilion, Recreational Center, and Police Department.

Save the Date: October 1st – Volunteer Cemetery Cleanup Day, October 20th Grand Opening for Virtual Library, October 29th Cemetery Foundation is hosting Visiting the Past at Cedar Hill Cemetery including Blessing of the Graves by Father Matthew Higginbotham, December 10th – Christmas Festival, March 25th 2023 – Community Festival.

Chief Trent monthly report was given in packet.

A motion was made by Wilbert Ledet to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Beau Wilson; all in favor and the motion carried.



William Dwight Landreneau, Mayor



Halli Polotzola, Town Clerk