MINUTES OF TOWN OF PLAIN DEALING REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY MARCH 8, 2022 TOWN HALL MEETING ROOM 205 WEST PALMETTO AVE 6:00 P. M. LEON SANDERS JR., MUNICIPAL COMPLEX

- 1. Call meeting to order Mayor Gay called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
- 2. Invocation Town Attorney, Douglas C Dominick, led all present in the prayer.
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance Alderman Cook led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- **4.** Roll Call Town Clerk Rolandria McCauley, performed a roll call and verified that a quorum was present. The following Board of Aldermen were present: Jeff Benson, Shanithia Gay, Emily Jennings, James Cook and Judith McGuffey.
- **5. Approve Agenda** –Mayor Gay asked for a motion to approve the agenda. A motion was made by Emily James Cook and seconded by Shanithia Gay. All is in favor of the approved agenda.
- **6. Approve Minutes-** Mayor Gay asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2022 minutes. Motion was made by Shanithia Gay and seconded by Emily Jennings. All members were in favor of the approval of the minutes.
- **7. Approve the Expense Report**-Mayor Gay asked for an approval for the expense report for February 8, 2022. All members of the council were in favor of the reports.

8. Department reports:

- a. Police Department Mayor Gay reported that the Chief of Police had provided a written report on activity of the Plain Dealing Police Department. There were 142 total calls, 31 traffic stops and 20 violations written for the month of February of 2022.
- **b.** Public Works Department Kevin Whitton reported that there was a water main break near the lake road but the repairs have been completed.
- **9. OLD BUSINESS** Attorney Doug Dominick gave an update regarding the sawmill. Attorney state that things are moving slowly and the committee is still working on detailed agreements. Currently awaiting feed back from involved members regarding the agreement.

a. public comments- Kim Allums asked if there funds available? Attorney Dominick responded that previous research shows that there are funds available for this project.

Jeff Benson- Wanted to make sure that the Bossier Parish Police Jury were going to hold up to their part of the contract when it comes to the maintenance of the pumps. There will be a contract between the Town and its obligations to the sawmill as well as a separate contract between the Town and Bossier Parish regarding their obligation to the sawmill.

10. NEW BUSINESS- Jessica Edwards spoke on behalf of the 326 Beautification Day Committee. The committee wants to make an annual event in March of each year to clean up the Town.

Sheila Player spoke on behalf of the Plain Dealing community group. The group is trying to plan a carnival for the citizens of Plain Dealing and are wanting to get an approval from the council members to do so. A tentative date is scheduled for May 28, 2022 but is subject to change once their agenda is completed.

Kevin Whitton presented a quote from M&M Garage Door. This quote is needed to repair a door that was involved in an accident. The council members agreed that this is a fair price and should proceed with the repair.

Another quote was submitted by Kevin Whitton regarding fixing the Lift Station on Mockingbird Lane and the Wastewater treatment plant. No decision has been made due to not having three quotes. A decision should be made in seven days pending the quote. The mayor will make the decision once the quotes are finished.

A motion was made to amend the agenda to allow David Garrett speak on behalf of the movie Cabin girl that is being filmed. Emily Jennings made a motion and it was seconded by Shanithia Gay.

Community Center applications- A motion was made by James Cook to approve the application for the community center and it was seconded by Shanithia Gay. All members were in favor of the rentals.

11. Council Remarks- James Cook asked about the American Rescue Plan Funds and reminded us that we can reapply for new funds.

Shanithia Gay thanked everyone for attending her father's retirement celebration.

Mayors Comments: Mayor Gay thanked everyone for their attendance of tonight's meeting.

Adjourn: Meeting was adjourned at 7:13 P M

Approved by:	
Rolandria McCauley March 9, 2022	Shavonda Stumon, Mayor