

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Sarepta met in regular session Tuesday, March 13, 2018 at 6:00 p.m., in the Municipal Building, Sarepta, LA.

Present: Mayor Adkins, Michael Corley, Claire Lay, Heath Warford, Melanie Dean and David Neal

Mayor Adkins called the meeting to order and David Neal opened with prayer. Claire Lay led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Melanie Dean read the minutes from the February regular meeting. Michael Corley made a motion to approve the minutes as read and Melanie Dean seconded the motion. All in favor, no opposed, motion carried.

Financial Statements of all funds, including a current budget vs. actual, were presented. David Neal made a motion to approve financial statements as presented, motion seconded by Heath Warford. All in favor, no opposed, motion carried.

Mayor Adkins recognized North Webster Industrial Park representative Jeff Harper. Mr. Harper was present to inform the council about a millage tax renewal that will be voted on at the March 24, 2018 election. Rolling forward to 5.14 millage would bring in a projected \$550,000.00 a year. The Industrial Park would greatly appreciate the support of our community.

Mayor Adkins told the Board that she and Clerk, Amanda Anglin, would like to attend a Mayor's Court conference in Walker, LA in April. Michael Corley made a motion to approve Mayor Adkins and Amanda Anglin attending the conference in Walker, LA, seconded by Melanie Dean. All in favor, no opposed, motion carried.

Mayor Adkins then asked if any of the Board would like to attend the 41st Annual Municipal Day at the Capitol in Baton Rouge in May. None of the Aldermen want to attend, but Melanie Dean made a motion for Mayor Adkins and Amanda Anglin to go. Motion was seconded by Claire Lay. All in favor, no opposed, motion carried.

No bids were submitted to purchase the Beaty property. After some discussion on what to do with the land, the Board decided to advertise the sale again with a minimum bid of \$500.00. The motion was made by Melanie Dean, seconded by Heath Warford. All in favor, no opposed, motion carried.

Mayor Adkins then directed the Board back to the financial statements. Some of the budget items need to be amended as follows:

6032 Accident Reports \$125.00 amended to \$150.00

6080 Signs \$400.00 amended to \$1,000.00

7010 Payroll Tax Expense \$14,176.00 amended to \$58,201.00

7145 Meetings & Seminars \$3,404.00 amended to \$4,000.00

7169 Professional Fees – Tax Assessor \$2,700.00 amended to \$5,400.00

7172 Repair & Maintenance Building \$2,150.00 amended to \$3,500.00

7250 Capital Outlay – Equipment \$10,000.00 amended to \$29,190.00

David Neal made a motion to approve the budget amendments, seconded by Michael Corley. All in favor, no opposed, motion carried.

Chief Ted Lewis reported that everything is going well and he had no issues to bring before the Board. Melanie Dean stated that a resident had made a complaint about dogs barking in a neighbor's yard. There are many dogs on chains in too small of a space and the odor is overwhelming. The Chief and Mayor are going to research ordinances regarding this issue.

There being no further business, Michael Corley made a motion to adjourn, Heath Warford seconded. All in favor, no opposed, motion carried.

Peggy Adkins, Mayor

Amanda Anglin, Town Clerk