

TOWN OF LOGANSPOUR
MINUTES
August 9, 2011

The regular meeting of the Logansport Town Council was held Tuesday, August 9, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber with Mayor Katherine Freeman presiding. Council members present: Norman Arbuckle, Douglas Guillotte, June Hooper, Deborah Roberts, and Edith Williams. Absent: None. Thirteen guests were in attendance.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Edith Williams and the Pledge of Allegiance.

With a motion from Mrs. Williams and second from Mr. Arbuckle, the agenda was amended to allow Ryan Bagley to speak. All ayes.

First, Aaron Edwards, candidate for DeSoto Parish Clerk of Court, addressed the council. He stated his reasons for running for the Clerk of Court position, citing management experience above all. He asked that all in attendance consider him as each goes to the polls to vote on October 22nd.

Ryan Bagley addressed the Council requesting permission to set-up a "Beer Garden" at the Texaco Country Showdown at the RiverStage on October 15th, 2011. He stated the Garden would be a fenced-in area with only beer (no liquor or wine) being served and a liability insurance policy for the evening will be purchased and provided. No minors will be allowed inside the fenced area and it will be patrolled by the Sheriff's department. Wristbands will be sold allowing a 4 beer maximum. Proceeds will go to the Logansport Chamber of Commerce. Sponsorships will be solicited. With a motion from Mrs. Roberts and second from Mrs. Hooper it was approved to allow a "Beer Garden" set-up on the riverfront with proper permits from the Office of Alcoholic Beverage Control in Baton Rouge and related contract/documents furnished to the Town, including liability insurance, rules for the sale, i.e. date, time, number of beers. Three ayes—Norman Arbuckle, June Hooper, Deborah Roberts. One nay—Douglas Guillotte. One abstain—Edith Williams.

With a motion from Mr. Arbuckle and second from Mr. Guillotte, the 07/12/2011 minutes were approved. All ayes.

Both General fund and Utility fund bills were approved with a motion from Mrs. Williams and second from Mr. Arbuckle. All ayes.

A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract for Louisiana Community Development Block Grant Administrative Services with The Coordinating and Development Corporation was adopted with a motion from Mr. Arbuckle and second from Mrs. Hooper. All ayes.

A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract with BALAR & Associates as the engineering firm for the LCDBG project was adopted with a motion from Mrs. Williams and second from Mr. Arbuckle. All ayes.

With a motion from Mr. Arbuckle and second from Mrs. Williams a resolution was adopted calling a special election to incur debt and issue and make application to the State Bond Commission. All ayes.

John McMinn with CGG Veritas Land, Inc. addressed the Council regarding the seismic testing inside the corporate limits of Logansport. He presented a map showing where the testing would be done. With a motion from Mr. Arbuckle and second from Mrs. Williams, it was approved to allow the Mayor to negotiate a contract with CGG Veritas Land, Inc. for seismic testing on land owned by the Town of Logansport. All ayes.

Public Works Director, Rex Clark, informed the council of various gas lines needing replaced. He was asked to present a list with cost.

It was approved to purchase a new utility vehicle through State contract with a motion from Mrs. Williams and second from Mr. Arbuckle. All ayes.

A resolution was adopted with a motion from Mrs. Williams and second from Mrs. Hooper requesting the railing from the Sabine River Bridge project and authorizing the storage of such. All ayes.

With a motion from Mrs. Williams and second from Mrs. Hooper, a resolution for Local Government Assistance Program (LGAP) grant money for Town Hall improvements was adopted. All ayes.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned with a motion from Mr. Arbuckle and second from Mrs. Hooper. All ayes.

Sharon Stewart, Town Clerk

Katherine Freeman, Mayor