

MINUTES OF THE  
BLANCHARD MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING – APRIL 14, 2009  
7:00 O’CLOCK

Present: Mayor Digilormo, Alderpersons Jones, Lee, Whittington, Ashby, and Prewett, Police Chief Presswood, Atty. Tom Arceneaux, Dave Cherry, David Yeates, Debra Smith, Town Clerk, Caddo Parish Deputy Lt. Terry, and various citizens.

Absent: None.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Ashby.

Invocation given by Arceneaux.

Questions and Statements of Citizens:

Mr. McCoy wanted to thank the Town for the way he has been treated.

Motion by Whittington to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of March 10, 2009. Second by Jones. All voted yea.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION # 4 OF 2009 (DECLARING TRUCKS SURPLUS)

RESOLUTION 4 OF 2009

A RESOLUTION DECLARING TWO MOTOR VEHICLES NO LONGER NEEDED FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES, PROVIDING THE MEANS OF SALE AND ESTABLISHING A MINIMUM PRICE FOR EACH VEHICLE, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, the Water Department of the Town of Blanchard (“Town”) has removed from service that certain 1998 Dodge Dakota Truck (“Vehicle”), VIN 1B7FL26X8W5757887; and 1998 Dodge Dakota Truck (“Vehicle”), VIN 1B7FL26X8WS757890; and

WHEREAS, the Town has no use for these Vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the Town wishes to declare that these Vehicles are no longer needed for Public Purposes, and wishes to sell the Vehicles and establish a means of sale of such property pursuant to La. R.S. 33:4712 and other applicable law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Blanchard, in due, legal and regular session convened, as follows:

Section 1. The Vehicles are hereby declared no longer needed for public purposes.

Section 2. The Vehicles shall be sold for a minimum price of \$500.00 each. All sealed bids shall be received at the Town Hall of Blanchard on until 9:00 a. m., Monday, May 11, 2009. The bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at that time.. Any bid received after closing will be returned unopened.

Section 3. If any provision or item of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this resolution that can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications and to this end the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

Section 4. All ordinances or resolutions or parts hereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Motion to accept Resolution 4 of 2009 as amended made by Jones, second by Prewett. All voted yea.

And Resolution 4 of 2009 was adopted on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2009.

RECEIVED SOME BIDS FOR TRUCKS

Received some bids for trucks. Will receive more at next Council meeting.

FRANCES TONRY—STOP SIGN

Ms. Tonry has requested a four-way stop at Warriner and Jody intersection.

P. J. NEAL—ADDRESS LISTING IN PHONE BOOK

Mr. Neal inquired why his mailing address in the phone book is Shreveport when he clearly lives in Blanchard. The Council recommended that Mr. Neal contact Public Service Commissioner Foster Campbell since the Town does not have any control over how the phone book lists addresses.

RED FLAG POLICY/PROCEDURES

Motion made by Whittington to accept Blanchard Utilities Identity Theft Prevention Program policy (AKA "Red Flag Rule"), second by Jones. All voted yea.

EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK AS AMENDED

Motion made by Whittington to accept Employee Handbook as amended, second by Jones. All voted yea.

MISS BLANCHARD BEAUTY PAGEANT

Motion made by Lee to defer to next council meeting since Mrs. Tupper was not present. Second by Prewett, all voted yea.

INTRODUCE ORDINANCE 1 OF 2009—TITLE ONLY

Lee introduced Ordinance 1 of 2009 by title only to be considered for adoption at the May 12, 2009 council meeting.

**ORDINANCE 1 OF 2009**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 14  
OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES  
FOR THE TOWN OF BLANCHARD, LOUISIANA  
PERTAINING TO SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL,  
AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

REPORT OF DEPARTMENTS

Buildings and Grounds: Whittington nothing to report.  
Streets and Rights of Way: Jones nothing to report.

Water Dept: Prewett reported security cameras and fence installed at water plant.

Sewer Dept: Ashby made motion to appoint Billy Boles as the Assistant Supervisor instead of the Interim Asst. Supervisor with a starting salary of \$29,500 beginning this pay period. Second by Lee, all voted yea.

Police Dept: Chief Presswood stated nothing to report.

Treasurer Report: Lee asked Debra Smith to find out if the LRWA meeting scheduled for May 19, 2009, is mandatory for the Council members.

Comments by the Mayor: None. Motion by Lee to adjourn, second by Prewett. All voted yea. Meeting adjourned 7:40.

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JOHNNY DIGILORMO, MAYOR

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DEBRA SMITH, TOWN CLERK