

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE
BLANCHARD MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL
AUGUST 17, 2006
7:00 P.M.**

PRESENT: Mayor Pro Tem Allison Jones, Alderpersons Digilormo, Jones, Lee, Prewett and Tupper,
Town Clerk Jan Henderson.

ABSENT: Mayor Permenter

Motion was made by Lee to dispense with formalities. Second by Tupper. All voted yea.

Questions and Statements of citizens: None

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 12 OF 2006 (HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN):

ON A MOTION BY ALDERWOMAN LEE DULY SECONDED BY ALDERMAN TUPPER THE
FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS OFFERED:

RESOLUTION 12 OF 2006

WHEREAS, Caddo Parish and the municipalities within its borders are subject to drought, tornadoes, severe winter storms, hazardous material spills, and other natural and technological hazards that can damage property, close businesses, disrupt traffic, and present an public health and safety hazard; and

WHEREAS, the Caddo Parish Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee, comprised of representatives from Caddo Parish, the municipalities within, and local stakeholder organizations, has prepared the Caddo Parish Hazard Mitigation Plan which provides guidance, though not mandates, to Parish and municipal boards, commissions, and departments as they relate to hazards and associated mitigation strategies, in accordance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000; and

WHEREAS, the recommended Caddo Parish Hazard Mitigation Plan has been widely circulated for review by residents of Caddo Parish and federal, state, and regional agencies and has been supported by those reviewers,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that:

1. The Caddo Parish Hazard Mitigation Plan is hereby adopted as an official plan of Caddo Parish and its municipalities.
2. The Caddo Parish Local Emergency Planning Committee is hereby recognized as the advisory body for implementing and administering the measures and policies stated in the Caddo Parish Hazard Mitigation Plan.
3. The Committee shall meet as often as necessary to prepare or review mitigation activities and progress toward implementing the Caddo Parish Hazard Mitigation Plan. It shall meet at least once a year to review the status of ongoing projects.
4. The schedule of Committee meetings shall be posted in appropriate places. All meetings of the Committee shall be open to the public.
5. By June 30 each year, the Committee shall prepare an annual evaluation report on the Caddo Parish Hazard Mitigation Plan for the Caddo Parish Commission and the municipalities. The report will cover the following points:
 - a. A review of the original plan.

- b. A review of any natural disasters that occurred during the previous calendar year.
 - c. A review of the action items in the original plan, including how much was accomplished during the previous year.
 - d. A discussion of why any action items were not completed or why implementation is behind schedule.
 - e. Recommendations for new projects or revised action items. Such recommendations shall be subject to approval by the Caddo Parish Commission and the affected municipality's governing boards as amendments to the adopted plan.
- 6. The annual evaluation report shall be made available to the public and the media.
 - 7. The director of each office identified as "responsible agency" for action items in the Caddo Parish Hazard Mitigation Plan shall ensure that the action items are implemented by the listed deadline.
 - 8. The Caddo-Bossier Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness shall provide staff support for the Committee's work.

On a motion by Alderwoman Lee, duly seconded by Alderman Tupper, the foregoing resolution was unanimously adopted on this the 17th day of August, 2006, at which meeting a quorum was present

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:01 P.M. upon a motion by Digilormo, second by Prewett. All voted yea.

Jan Henderson, Town Clerk

Larry Permenter, Mayor