

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BLANCHARD MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL
Tuesday, November 12, 2019 – 6:00 P.M.**

Present: Mayor Galambos, Alderpersons Lee, Fuller, Presley and Whittington, Chief Presswood, Candy Foshee, Town Clerk, Perry Fuller, Utility Manager, Atty. William Bradford, Sgt. Pat Burroughs with CPSD, and guests. Absent: Guin

Meeting called to order by Mayor at 6:00 p.m.
Pledge of Allegiance led by Presswood
Invocation by Whittington
Questions and Statements of Citizens: None

Lee made motion to approve the meeting minutes of October 8, 2019. Second by Whittington. All voted yea.

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 10 of 2019 – A Resolution to Apply for Funding Through the Local Government Assistance Program (LGAP), Administered by the Office of Community Development, State of Louisiana, for the Purchase of a New Police Vehicle and the Purchase of the Necessary Equipment to be Installed on Said Vehicle

RESOLUTION 10 OF 2019

A RESOLUTION TO APPLY FOR FUNDING THROUGH THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LGAP) ADMINISTERED BY THE OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, STATE OF LOUISIANA, FOR THE PURCHASE OF A NEW POLICE VEHICLE AND THE PURCHASE OF THE NECESSARY EQUIPMENT TO BE INSTALLED ON SAID VEHICLE

WHEREAS, The Town of Blanchard has its own Police Department, and,

WHEREAS, the Blanchard Police Department is in need of a new police vehicle and the necessary equipment to be installed on said vehicle, to aid in the safety of the police officers and citizens of the Town of Blanchard;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Mayor and the members of the Council of the Town of Blanchard do hereby request funding in the amount of Thirty Five Thousand & NO/100 (\$35,000.00) DOLLARS, to assist in the purchase of a new police vehicle and the purchase of the necessary equipment to be installed on said vehicle.

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.

All Resolutions or parts hereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Motion made by Fuller, second by Whittington to accept Resolution 10 of 2019. This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Lee, Fuller, Presley, Whittington

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Guin

ABSTAIN: None

And Resolution 10 of 2019 was declared adopted on this the 12th day of November, 2019.

Resolution 13 of 2019 - A Resolution Authorizing the Town of Blanchard, State Of Louisiana to Apply To and Participate in the Louisiana Department of Health Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund Program for the Purpose of Consolidating the Bel-Di-Gil Water System with the Town of Blanchard Water System for an Amount Not to Exceed \$5,000,000; and to File Application with the Louisiana State Bond Commission; Approving the Notice of Intention; Appointing Issuer's Counsel, Bond Counsel and the Independent Registered Municipal Advisor; and Providing for other Matters in Connection Therewith

RESOLUTION 13 OF 2019

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF BLANCHARD, STATE OF LOUISIANA TO APPLY TO AND PARTICIPATE IN THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH DRINKING WATER REVOLVING LOAN FUND PROGRAM FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSOLIDATING THE BEL-DI-GIL WATER SYSTEM WITH THE TOWN OF BLANCHARD WATER SYSTEM FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$5,000,000; AND TO FILE APPLICATION WITH THE LOUISIANA STATE BOND COMMISSION; APPROVING THE NOTICE OF INTENTION; APPOINTING ISSUER'S COUNSEL, BOND COUNSEL AND THE INDEPENDENT REGISTERED MUNICIPAL ADVISOR; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

WHEREAS, the Town of Blanchard, State of Louisiana (the "*Issuer*") owns and operates its drinking water system (the "*Water System*") as a revenue-producing work of public improvement;

WHEREAS, the Issuer owns and operates its sewer system as a revenue-producing work of public improvement (the "*Sewer System*" and, collectively with the Water System, the "*System*"); and

WHEREAS, the Issuer desires to finance the cost of acquisition, construction, and installation of improvements, extensions, and replacements to the Water System, including the physical consolidation of the Bel-Di-Gil Water System into the Water System (collectively, the "*Project*"); and

WHEREAS, in order to finance such costs, the Issuer, acting through its governing authority, the Board of Alderpersons of the Town of Blanchard, State of Louisiana (the "*Governing Authority*") is authorized to and believes it to be in its best interest to issue bonds and incur debt pursuant to the provisions of Section 524 and Sub-Part A, Part II, Chapter 4 of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended and/or other applicable laws (the "*Act*"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act and subject to the approval of the Louisiana State Bond Commission (the "*Commission*"), the Issuer desires to give notice of its intention to issue not to exceed

\$5,000,000 of its Utilities System Revenue Bonds (the “**Bonds**”) to be secured by and payable from an irrevocable pledge and dedication of the income and revenues derived from the operation of the System, after provision has been made for payment therefrom of the reasonable and necessary expenses of administering, operating and maintaining the System (the “**Net Revenues**”); and

WHEREAS, the Bonds will be secured by Net Revenues (as hereinafter defined) on a parity with: (a) the Issuer’s outstanding Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2010B, issued in an original principal amount of \$2,657,000; (b) the Issuer’s outstanding Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2012A, issued in an original principal amount of \$8,400,000; (c) the Issuer’s outstanding Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2013, issued in an original principal amount of \$2,000,000; (d) the Issuer’s outstanding Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2014, issued in an original principal amount of \$4,930,000; and (e) the Issuer’s outstanding Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2015, issued in an original principal amount of \$2,895,000 (collectively, the “**Parity Bonds**”); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, it is now the desire of the Issuer to adopt this Resolution giving preliminary approval for the issuance of the Bonds for the purpose of (i) constructing the Project, and (ii) paying the costs of issuing the Bonds; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, the Issuer desires to authorize the publication of a Notice of Intention to issue the Bonds and the holding of a public hearing to hear any objections to the proposed issuance of the Bonds; and

WHEREAS, the Issuer desires to authorize the filing of an application with the Commission requesting that the Commission grant approval to the issuance of the Bonds in accordance with the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Issuer recognizes, finds and determines that a real necessity exists for the employment of Bond Counsel, Issuer’s Counsel, and Independent Registered Municipal Advisor for the Bonds; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Authority that:

Section 1. The Issuer hereby approves and authorizes the acquisition and construction of the Project.

Section 2. Pursuant to the provisions of the Act, the Issuer does give preliminary approval to the issuance of not to exceed \$5,000,000 of its Utilities System Revenue Bonds, in one or more series (the “**Bonds**”). The proceeds of the Bonds will be used for the purpose of (i) constructing the Project and (ii) paying the costs of issuing the Bonds. The form and details of the Bonds, the exact principal amounts and interest rates thereof shall be established pursuant to a subsequent ordinance adopted by this Governing Authority.

All of the Bonds shall be limited and special revenue bonds of the Issuer, secured by and payable in principal, interest and redemption premium, if any, solely from the income and revenue derived by the Issuer from the operation of the System, after provision has been made for payment therefrom of the reasonable and necessary expenses of administering, operating and maintaining the System (the “**Net Revenues**”), and shall be issued on a complete parity with the Parity Bonds. The Bonds shall not be a charge on the other income and revenues of the Issuer as prohibited under the provisions of Article VI, Section 37 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, nor shall they constitute an indebtedness or pledge of the general credit of the Issuer. The Bonds shall be of such series, bear such dates, mature at such time or times, not to exceed twenty (20) years from their date of issuance, bear interest at such rate or rates not

exceeding five *per centum* (5.0%) *per annum*, be sold at such price or prices, be in such denomination or denominations, be in fully registered form, carry such registration privileges, be payable in such medium of payment and at such place or places, be subject to such terms of redemption and be entitled to such priorities on the income and revenues of the System as the Issuer may provide by ordinance(s) adopted at the time or times of issuance of the Bonds.

The Issuer will, in such ordinance(s), enter into such covenants with the future owner or owners of the Bonds as to the management and operation of the System, the imposition and collection of fees and charges for the services rendered thereby, the disposition of such fees and revenues, the issuance of future bonds and the creation of future liens and encumbrances against the System and the revenues therefrom, the carrying of insurance on the System and the disposition of the proceeds of insurance, the keeping of books and records, and other pertinent matters as may be deemed proper by this Governing Authority to assure the marketability of the Bonds, consistent with the provisions of the Act and other applicable laws and regulations. Such ordinance(s) will also include remedies in case of default, provision for the issuance of parity bonds, and such additional covenants, agreements and provisions as are judged advisable or necessary by the Issuer for the security of the registered owners of the Bonds, including sinking funds and reserves for the payment of principal and interest on the Bonds and an adequate depreciation fund for those repairs, extensions and improvements to the System as may be necessary to assure adequate and efficient service to the public, all as provided by the Act.

The Bonds are expected to be purchased by the Louisiana Department of Health through its Drinking Revolving Loan Fund Program.

Section 3. The Issuer hereby authorizes and approves the publication of a Notice of Intention (the “*Notice of Intention*”) to issue the Bonds in substantially the form attached hereto as **EXHIBIT A** (with such addition, omissions and changes as shall be recommended by counsel) in four (4) consecutive weekly publications of *The Inquisitor*, a newspaper published in the Town of Blanchard, State of Louisiana, having general circulation throughout the Issuer and being the official journal of the Issuer.

Section 4. The Issuer hereby authorizes the conduct of a public hearing as required by the Act and as set forth in the Notice of Intention. The date and time of the public hearing shall be set by the Mayor of the Issuer and shall be set forth in the Notice of Intention.

Section 5. The selection of RSI Group, LLC, as Independent Registered Municipal Advisor to the Issuer is hereby authorized.

Section 6. It is recognized, found and determined that a real necessity exists for the employment of Issuer’s Counsel in connection with the proposed financing as described herein, and, accordingly, the firm of Blanchard, Walker, O’Quin & Roberts, PLC, is hereby employed as Issuer’s Counsel.

Section 7. It is recognized, found and determined that a real necessity exists for the employment of Bond Counsel to the Issuer in connection with the proposed financing as described herein, and, accordingly, the firm of Butler Snow LLP, is hereby employed as Bond Counsel to the Issuer to do and to perform comprehensive, legal and coordinate professional work with respect to any proposed financing. Bond counsel shall (i) prepare and submit to the Issuer for adoption all of the proceedings incidental to the authorization, issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds; (ii) counsel and advise the Issuer with respect to the issuance and sale of the Bonds; and (iii) furnish its opinion covering the legality of the issuance thereof. The fees to be paid Bond Counsel shall be an amount not to exceed the Attorney General’s then current Bond Counsel Fee Schedule as negotiated and other guidelines for comprehensive, legal and coordinate professional work in the issuance of revenue bonds applied to the actual aggregate principal

amount issued, sold, delivered and paid for at the time the Bonds are delivered, together with reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses incurred and advanced in connection with the issuance of the Bonds, said fee to be payable from proceeds of the Bonds by the Issuer for costs related to the issuance of the Bonds, subject to the Attorney General's written approval of said employment and fee.

Section 8. The Mayor and the Town Clerk of the Issuer are further authorized and directed to do any and all things necessary and incidental to carry out the provisions of this Resolution and effect the financing of the Project, including but not limited to application to the Commission for further approvals.

Section 9. Application is hereby formally made to the Commission, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, for approval of the Bonds within the parameters set forth in Paragraph 2 above. A certified copy of this Resolution shall be submitted to the Commission, together with a request for prompt consideration and approval of this application.

Section 10. By virtue of the Issuer's application for, acceptance and utilization of the benefits of the Commission's approval, the Issuer hereby resolves that it understands and agrees that such approval is expressly conditioned upon, and it further resolves that it understands, agrees and binds itself, its successors and assigns to, full and continuing compliance with the "*State Bond Commission Policy on Approval of Proposed Use of Swaps, or other form of Derivative Product Hedges, Etc.*", adopted by the Commission on July 20, 2006 (the "*Policy*"), as to borrowing and other matters subject to the approval, including subsequent application and approval under said Policy of the implementation or use of any swap or other products or enhancements covered thereby.

Section 11. All resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

EXHIBIT A

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$5,000,000 OF THE TOWN OF BLANCHARD, STATE OF LOUISIANA UTILITIES SYSTEM REVENUE BONDS IN ONE OR MORE SERIES

As provided by a Resolution adopted by the Board of Alderpersons of the Town of Blanchard, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority (the "**Governing Authority**") of the Town of Blanchard, State of Louisiana (the "**Issuer**"), on November 12, 2019, the Issuer **HEREBY DECLARES ITS INTENTION** to issue not to exceed Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000) of its Utilities System Revenue Bonds (the "**Bonds**"), for the purpose of paying the cost of acquisition, construction and installation of improvements, extensions and replacements to the Issuer's drinking water system that is owned and operated by the Issuer as a revenue-producing work of public improvement (the "**Water System**"), including the physical consolidation of the Bel-Di-Gil Water System in to the Water System (collectively, the "**Project**").

The Bonds will be limited and special revenue bonds of the Issuer, secured by and payable solely from the revenues of the Water System and the Issuer's sewer system that is owned and operated as a revenue-producing work of public improvement (the "**Sewer System**" and, collectively with the Water System, the "**System**"), after there have been paid from those revenues the reasonable and necessary expenses of administering, operating and maintaining the System, and shall be issued on a parity with (a) the Issuer's outstanding Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2010B; (b) the Issuer's outstanding Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2012A; (c) the Issuer's outstanding Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2013; (d) the Issuer's outstanding Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2014; and (e) the Issuer's outstanding Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2015, issued (collectively, the "**Parity Bonds**"). The Bonds will not be a charge on the other income and revenues of the Issuer, nor shall they constitute an indebtedness or pledge of the general

credit of the Issuer. The Bonds will be issued pursuant to Section 524 and Sub-Part A, Part II, Chapter 4 of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and/or other applicable laws (collectively, the “*Act*”).

The Bonds will be issued and authorized by ordinance(s) adopted by the Governing Authority of the Issuer, in one or more series, will bear such dates and mature at such time or times, not to exceed twenty (20) years from their date of issuance, bear interest at such rate or rates not exceeding five *per centum* (5.0%) *per annum*, and will be subject to prepayment anytime without penalty. As provided by the Act, all of the other details of the Bonds will be set forth in the ordinance(s) authorizing their issuance, including the following: covenants relating to the management and operation of the System, the imposition and collection of rates and charges from the System’s customers, the expenditure of such rates and charges, the issuance of future bonds and the creation of future liens and encumbrances against the System and all other pertinent matters as may be necessary to the authorization and issuance of the Bonds.

The Bonds are expected to be sold at a private sale, as provided for in the Act, to the State Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund, and the Bonds will also be approved by the Louisiana State Bond Commission prior to their delivery.

THE PUBLIC IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Governing Authority will meet in open and public session on December 10, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at its regular meeting place located at 110 Main Street, Blanchard, Louisiana for the purpose of hearing any objections to the proposed issuance of the Bonds. If a petition is presented to the Issuer at this open and public meeting duly signed by electors of the Issuer in a number not less than five percent (5%) of the number of such electors voting at the last election held in the Issuer object to the issuance of the Bonds, then the Bonds shall not be issued until approved by a vote of a majority of the qualified electors of the Issuer who vote in a special election held for the purpose in the manner provided by Chapter 6-A of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950. Any such petition must be accompanied by a certificate of the Registrar of Voters of Caddo Parish certifying that the signers of the petition are registered electors of the Issuer and the number of signers amounts to not less than five percent (5%) of the registered electors in the Issuer that voted at the last election within the Issuer.

This is the Notice of Intention to Issue Bonds by the Issuer as mandated by Louisiana Revised Statute 39:525(J).

Motion made by Lee, second by Fuller to accept Resolution 13 of 2019. This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Lee, Fuller, Presley, Whittington

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Guin

ABSTAIN: None

And Resolution 13 of 2019 was declared adopted on this the 12th day of November, 2019.

Petition presented by Turning R Properties, LLC requesting annexation of property – described as a 17.923 acre tract situated in Section 31, Township 19 North, Range 14 West, Caddo Parish, Louisiana

Whittington made motion to accept the petition for annexation presented by Turning R Properties, LLC. Second by Fuller. All voted yea.

At advice of counsel, Whittington made motion to suspend the rules and to read Agenda Items 4, 6, 8 and 10 into the record and to have a public hearing on all four ordinances at one time. Second by Fuller.

Roll call vote:

YEAS; Lee, Fuller, Presley, Whittington

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Guin

ABSTAIN: None

And the rules were suspended, Agenda Items 4, 6, 8, and 10 were read into the record and a public hearing will be held on all four ordinances at one time.

Agenda Items 4, 6, 8 and 10 were read as follows:

Public Hearing - Ordinance 16 of 2019 - An Ordinance to Enlarge the Boundaries of the Town of Blanchard, to include a tract of land containing 7.88 acres, more or less, in Section 4, Township 18 North, Range 15 West, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, Geo. #: 181504-000-0012-00 (Thomas Daugherty)

AND

Public Hearing - Ordinance 17 of 2019 - An Ordinance to Enlarge the Boundaries of the Town of Blanchard, to include Lot 2, Blanchard Estates Addition, a subdivision in Caddo Parish, Louisiana, recorded in Conveyance Book 450, page 345, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon, Geo. #: 181509-001-0002-00, 7089 Blanchard Furrh Road, Shreveport, Louisiana 71107 (Thurman Wright)

AND

Public Hearing - Ordinance 19 of 2019 - An Ordinance to enlarge the boundaries of the Town of Blanchard, to include a one-half (1/2) acre tract, more or less, in the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, Section 27, Township 19 North, Range 15 West, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and otherwise providing with respect thereto (Town of Blanchard)

AND

Public Hearing - Ordinance 20 of 2019 - An Ordinance to enlarge the boundaries of the Town of Blanchard, to include a tract of land in the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, Section 27, Township 19 North, Range 15 West, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and otherwise providing with respect thereto (Billy and Angela Woods)

The Public Hearing was opened at 6:07 pm and the mayor asked for comments.

There were no comments in favor of Ordinances 16, 17, 19 or 20.

There were no comments in opposition to Ordinances 16, 17, 19 or 20.

The Public Hearing was closed at 6:08 p.m.

Vote on Ordinances 16, 17, 19 and 20:

ORDINANCE 16 OF 2019

ORDINANCE TO ENLARGE THE BOUNDARIES OF THE TOWN OF BLANCHARD, TO INCLUDE A TRACT OF LAND CONTAINING 7.88 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, IN SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 18 NORTH, RANGE 15 WEST, CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA, GEO. #: 181504-000-0012-00 (THOMAS DAUGHERTY)

WHEREAS, Section 172 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 provides for annexation by petition; and,

WHEREAS, a petition signed by more than the required percentage in value of the area described below has been filed with the Town Council to annex and bring within the corporate limits of the Town of Blanchard, Louisiana, the following described property, to-wit:

A tract of land containing 7.88 acres, more or less – the South 877 feet (measuring on East Line of Section 4, Township 18 North, Range 15 West) of East 349 feet of Southeast Quarter of Southeast Quarter, Section 4, Township 18 North, Range 15 West, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon. (181504-000-0012-00)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE Board of Alderpersons of the Town of Blanchard in due, legal and regular session convened, that the limits and boundaries of the Town of Blanchard are hereby changed to include within the limits and boundaries of said Town the above described property.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the property described above be zoned as “R/P – Permanent One Family Residential.”

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Town Clerk be and is hereby authorized to file, within ten (10) days of the final passage of this ordinance with the Clerk of the First Judicial District Court for Caddo Parish, a description of the entire boundary of the municipality as changed by this Ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby described severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all Ordinances or Resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

AND,

ORDINANCE 17 OF 2019

AN ORDINANCE TO ENLARGE THE BOUNDARIES OF THE TOWN OF BLANCHARD, TO INCLUDE LOT 2, BLANCHARD ESTATES ADDITION, A SUBDIVISION IN CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA, RECORDED IN CONVEYANCE BOOK 450, PAGE 345, TOGETHER WITH ALL BUILDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS LOCATED THEREON, GEO. #: 181509-001-0002-00, 7089 BLANCHARD FURRH ROAD, SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA 71107 (THURMAN WRIGHT)

WHEREAS, Section 172 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 provides for annexation by petition; and,

WHEREAS, a petition signed by more than the required percentage in value of the area described below has been filed with the Town Council to annex and bring within the corporate limits of the Town of Blanchard, Louisiana, the following described property, to-wit:

Lot 2, Blanchard Estates Addition, a subdivision in Caddo Parish, Louisiana, as per plat thereof recorded in Conveyance Book 450, page 345 of the official records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon. (Geo. #: 181509-001-0002-00 – 7089 Blanchard Furrh Road, Shreveport, LA 71107)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE Board of Alderpersons of the Town of Blanchard in due, legal and regular session convened, that the limits and boundaries of the Town of Blanchard are hereby changed to include within the limits and boundaries of said Town the above described property.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the property described above be zoned as “Commercial Industrial.”

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Town Clerk be and is hereby authorized to file, within ten (10) days of the final passage of this ordinance with the Clerk of the First Judicial District Court for Caddo Parish, a description of the entire boundary of the municipality as changed by this Ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby described severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all Ordinances or Resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

AND,

ORDINANCE 19 OF 2019

AN ORDINANCE TO ENLARGE THE BOUNDARIES OF THE TOWN OF BLANCHARD, TO INCLUDE A ONE-HALF (1/2) ACRE TRACT, MORE OR LESS, IN THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER, SECTION 27, TOWNSHIP 19 NORTH, RANGE 15 WEST, CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO (TOWN OF BLANCHARD)

WHEREAS, Section 172 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 provides for annexation by petition; and,

WHEREAS, a petition signed by more than the required percentage in value of the area described below has been filed with the Town Council to annex and bring within the corporate limits of the Town of Blanchard, Louisiana, the following described property, to-wit:

One-half (1/2) acre more or less – in the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, Section 27, Township 19 North, Range 15 West, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, per assessor’s country plat. (191527-000-0075-00)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE Board of Alderpersons of the Town of Blanchard in due, legal and regular session convened, that the limits and boundaries of the Town of Blanchard are hereby changed to include within the limits and boundaries of said Town the above described property.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the property described above be zoned as “Public Use.”

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Town Clerk be and is hereby authorized to file, within ten (10) days of the final passage of this ordinance with the Clerk of the First Judicial District Court for Caddo Parish, a description of the entire boundary of the municipality as changed by this Ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby described severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all Ordinances or Resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

AND,

ORDINANCE 20 OF 2019

AN ORDINANCE TO ENLARGE THE BOUNDARIES OF THE TOWN OF BLANCHARD, TO INCLUDE A TRACT OF LAND IN THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER, SECTION 27, TOWNSHIP 19 NORTH, RANGE 15 WEST, CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO (BILLY AND ANGELA WOODS)

WHEREAS, Section 172 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 provides for annexation by petition; and,

WHEREAS, a petition signed by more than the required percentage in value of the area described below has been filed with the Town Council to annex and bring within the corporate limits of the Town of Blanchard, Louisiana, the following described property, to-wit:

A TRACT OF LAND IN THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (NW/4 NW/4) OF SECTION 27, TOWNSHIP 19 NORTH, RANGE 15 WEST, NORTHWESTERN LAND DISTRICT, LOUISIANA MERIDIAN, CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE at a found 4" diameter concrete monument marking the Northwest corner of said Section 27; thence run on the North line of said Section, S 88° 51' 12" E – 348.97 feet to a found 3/4" iron rod for corner marking the intersection of the said North line and the Southeasterly right of way line of LA Highway 173 (Dixie-Blanchard Road) as dedicated in Book 257, Page 730, Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, LA, and the Point of Beginning of the tract herein described;

FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING leave the said Southeasterly right of way line and continue on the South line of said Section, S 88° 51' 12" E – 632.64 feet to a 3/4" iron rod set for corner;

THENCE leave the South line of said Section and run on the West line of a called 6.1028 acre tract described in Instrument Number 2288324, of said Records, S 00° 54' 16" W – 946.51 feet to a 3/4" iron rod set for corner;

THENCE leave the West line of said tract and run on the Northerly right of way line of LA Highway 538 (Old Mooringsport Road) as shown on sheets 26-28 of "LADOTD RIGHT OF WAY MAP, STATE PROJECT NO. 078-02-0020", N 63° 04' 16" W – 927.44 feet to a found 1-1/2" iron pipe for corner;

THENCE leave said Northerly right of way line and run on the Easterly line of a called 1/2 acre tract described in Book 944, Page 28, of said Records, N 24° 29' 57" E – 208.46 feet to a found 1/2" iron pipe for corner;

THENCE run on the Northerly line of said called 1/2 acre tract, N 62° 58' 45" W – 102.07 feet (deed call 103.4 feet) to a 3/4" iron rod set for corner;

THENCE leave said called 0.5 acre tract and run on the said Southeasterly right of way line of LA Highway 173 (Dixie-Blanchard Road), said line being a curve to the right having a radius of 1392.39 feet, and a chord which bears N 35° 12' 29" E – 370.81 feet, for an arc length of 371.91 feet to the Point of Beginning. Herein described tract contains 13.420 acres (deed call 13.665

acres). This description is in accordance with a Map of Survey dated February 13, 2019, prepared by Kyle G. Brownsberger, P.L.S., and Brownsberger Land Surveying, LLC, for Billy Joe Woods, Jr. The basis of bearings is grid based on the Louisiana State Plane Coordinate System, North Zone, NAD 1983.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE Board of Alderpersons of the Town of Blanchard in due, legal and regular session convened, that the limits and boundaries of the Town of Blanchard are hereby changed to include within the limits and boundaries of said Town the above described property.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the property described above be zoned as “Light Commercial.”

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Town Clerk be and is hereby authorized to file, within ten (10) days of the final passage of this ordinance with the Clerk of the First Judicial District Court for Caddo Parish, a description of the entire boundary of the municipality as changed by this Ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby described severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all Ordinances or Resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Said Ordinances 16, 17, 19 and 20 having been introduced on the 8th day of October, 2019, by Whittington, notice of a public hearing having been published, said public hearing having been held, the titles having been read and the ordinances considered, motion made by Whittington to adopt Ordinances 16, 17, 19 and 20 “in globo”, seconded by Fuller, a roll call vote was taken as follows:

YEAS: Lee, Fuller, Presley, Whittington

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Guin

ABSTAIN: None

And Ordinances 16, 17, 19 and 20 of 2019 were adopted on this 12th day of November, 2019.

Introduction by Title Only of Ordinance 21 of 2019 – An Ordinance to enlarge the limits and boundaries of the Town of Blanchard, Louisiana of the property described as Lot 1, Northport Subdivision, Unit No. 8 lying Southerly of 80’ right of way dedicated to Caddo Parish (Northport Subdivision, Unit No. 5) in Book 8000, Page 18 #2537725 being located in Section 31, Township 19 North, Range 14 West, Northwestern Land District, Louisiana Meridian, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, containing 1.000 acres, more or less, and otherwise providing with respect thereto

Whittington introduced Ordinance 21 of 2019 by title only.

September and October 2019 financials (to be emailed)

September 2019 financials have been emailed. October 2019 financials will be emailed when completed.

REPORTS

Perry Fuller, Utility Manager – 2 leaks repaired; 8 meter sets; 42 locates marked; 2 sample stations installed.

Current projects:

10’ raw water main conversion – project still on track

Altitude Valve @Longwood – waiting on parts

WWTP – project still on track – presently cleaning, repairing and painting the clarifiers at old plant site.

Gary Presswood, Chief of Police – Nothing to report

Kevin Sandifer, Town Historian – Presley gave update – Mr. Sandifer is in Dallas for doctor appointments.

COMMENTS BY THE MAYOR:

Meeting held with Perry Fuller and wastewater employees to discuss the top three repair projects at the sewer plant recommended by Oscar Boudreaux.

At this time, Atty. William Bradford introduced Mr. Michael Busada, Bond Counsel and Ms. Pamela Mobley, Municipal Advisor, both of whom will be assisting with the consolidation of the Bel-Di-Gil water system.

There being no further business, Whittington made motion to adjourn, second by Fuller. All voted yea. Meeting was adjourned at 6:19.

Jim Galambos, Mayor

Candy Foshee, Town Clerk