

MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BLANCHARD MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL
Tuesday, December 10, 2019 – 6:00 P.M.

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

Meeting called to order by Mayor at 6:00 p.m.
Pledge of Allegiance led by William Bradford
Invocation by Lee

Questions and Statements of Citizens: Mayor introduced and welcomed Mark Lidell with New Wave, who will be the new representative in this area.

Lee made motion to approve the meeting minutes of November 5 and 12, 2019. Second by Fuller. All voted yea.

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

Proclamation honoring Mr. Powell Layton, first principal of Northwood High School 1967-1968 – and naming Wednesday, December 11, 2019 as “Powell Layton Day”

Mayor Galambos welcomed Dr. Powell A. Layton, his family and guest Steve Riall of the Caddo Parish School Board. Mayor Galambos read a very interesting history of Dr. Layton’s life and honored him by proclaiming Wednesday, December 12, 2019 as “Powell Layton Day” and presenting him with a proclamation.

Shelly Ulrich – Update on A Small Town Christmas – to be held Saturday, December 14, 2019

Ms. Ulrich was not in attendance

Reappoint Carla Messer to the Caddo Parish Fire District Board District 1 to serve 1-1-2020 to 12-31-2021

Motion made by Fuller, second by Presley to reappoint Carla Messer to the Caddo Parish Fire District Board, District 1 to serve 1-1-2020 to 12-31-2021. All voted yea.

Johnny Kemp – with North Caddo Shooting Club

Mr. Kemp was not in attendance. Atty. Bradford advised the Town did not meet certain criteria according to the Constitution and was prohibited from using public funds for a sponsorship.

Adoption of 2020 Meeting Schedule

Motion by Fuller, second by Lee to adopt the 2020 Meeting Schedule for the Blanchard Town Council. All voted yea.

Public Hearing - 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 (Red River Land)

Public hearing was opened at 6:19. There were no comments in favor of Ordinance 21 of 2019 and there were no comments in opposition to Ordinance 21 of 2019. The public hearing was closed at 6:20.

Vote on Ordinance 21 of 2019

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

WHEREAS, Section 172 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statues 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 1, NORTHPORT SUBDIVISION, Unit No. 8, as recorded in the Conveyance records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, containing 1.000 acres, more or less, more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCE at a ½" rebar and cap set at the Southwesterly Corner of Lot 1 on the Northerly right of way line of Northport Boulevard, Northport Subdivision, Unit No. 6 (C.B. 8050, Pg. 31, #2634104; Being a point on a curve concave Northeasterly having a radius of 465.50', a chord bearing and distance of North 73 deg 39 min 03 sec West, 223.09', thence along the arc of said curve a distance of 225.28' to the point of tangency of said curve; thence North 59 deg 47 min 11 sec West along said Northerly right of way line, a distance of 101.32'; thence South 01 deg 06 min 35 sec West departing said Northerly right of way line, a distance of 91.56' to a rebar and cap set on the Southerly right of way line of said Northport Boulevard and the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence continue South 01 deg 06 min 35 sec West, a distance of 248.65' to a ½" rebar and cap set; thence North 88 deg 53 min 25 sec West, a distance of 150.00' to a ½" rebar and cap set; thence North 01 deg 06 min 35 sec East, a distance of 332.15' to a ½" rebar and cap set on the Northerly right of way line of Northport Boulevard; thence South 59 deg 47 min 11 sec East along said right of way line, a distance of 171.68' to the POINT OF BEGINNING containing 1.000 acres, more or less and subject to any and all servitudes, rights of use and/or rights of way of record or use.

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 "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 Ordinance having been introduced on the 12th day of November, 2019, by Whittington, notice of a public hearing having been published, said public hearing having been held, the title having been read and the Ordinance considered, on motion of Lee, second by Fuller, to adopt the ordinance, a roll call vote was taken and the following was had:

YEAS: Lee, Fuller, Guin, Presley

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Whittington

ABSTAIN: None

And Ordinance 21 of 2019 was adopted this 10th day of December, 2019.

Introduction by Title Only - An Ordinance To Enlarge The Limits And Boundaries of The Town of Blanchard, Louisiana to Include Certain Roads and Highways, Located In The NW/4 of the NW/4 of Section 31, Township 19 North, Range 14 West, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, Containing 0.509 Acres, more or less, in Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and otherwise providing with respect thereto (Oswald and BB Petroleum)

Introduced by Lee.

November 2019 financials (to be emailed)

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REPORTS

Perry Fuller, Utility Manager – month of November – 1 leak repaired, 11 meter sets, 22 locates marked. Current projects:

- 1) Force main relocation on Hwy 173 at a standstill for the time being.
- 2) 10” raw water main conversion –still on track for this project.
- 3) Altitude valve at Longwood – All parts have arrived. We will start this project when all meter sets are complete.
- 4) Wastewater Treatment Plant – Cleaning, repairing and painting the clarifiers on the old plant site.

Gary Presswood, Chief of Police – nothing to report

Kevin Sandifer, Town Historian – would like to schedule a workshop in January 2020 to plan for the 125th anniversary in 2021.

COMMENTS BY THE MAYOR:

Mayor reported meeting scheduled December 12 with Mr. James Lee, Project Manager for the sewer treatment improvements. A Small Town Christmas is Saturday, December 14 beginning at 2:00 p.m. with a parade to follow the homecoming parade route. Reminded everyone of the annual Safety Meeting to be held December 19. Hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and will see everyone next year.

There being no further business, Fuller made motion to adjourn, second by Lee. All voted yea. Meeting was adjourned at 6:30.

Jim Galambos, Mayor

Candy Foshee, Town Clerk